

Tuesday January 20,2026

COURTDALE COUNCIL MTG. MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 7pm

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL:

Carl Hodorowski, President-
Jeff Ford-
Joseph Rish, Vice President-
Debra Youngblood-
Amy Yuhas-
Joe Biniek-
Walter Watkins-
Mayor Degnan-
Len Sanguedolce, Solicitor
Loriann Monto-Secretary/Treas.

MINUTES READ:

Minutes from the December Council meeting were reviewed by all members of council. Amy motioned to accept the minutes and Joe B seconded the motion. All were in favor

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The treasurer's report was read. Debbie motioned to accept the treasurer's report with Joe R seconding the motion. All were in favor. Jeff motioned to pay the bills and Amy seconded the motion, with all in favor.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Degnan read the December police report – Chief Dan commented PSP coverage has been minimal, and an annual police report is in the works.

PUBLIC:

Sandra and Thomas Federo, Corby Rd. were in attendance to ask permission to burn brush on their property that accumulated from clearing the land to build a home on their property. Also, asking about the Corby Road weight limitations. Large deliveries will be needed during their building process. Contractors are asked to put a bond on the road to protect it from damage. They do not feel it is necessary since there are other circumstances that fall under "local delivery". Police are enforcing the ordinances put in place.

It was discussed that the deliveries could use an alternate route through Larksville. The borough engineer, Scott Smith discussed the circumstances of acquiring a bond for the road and documenting the condition of the roads. Jacob Federo was also in attendance to express concern about the ordinance enforcement. It

seems it is an individualized circumstance and should be enforced as such. Len reviewed the “burn ordinance” to find that it stipulates, there is an exception for “clearing and grubbing waste resulting from clearing trees, and land during the process of construction.” So under these circumstances they would be able to burn the debris under fire department supervision/notice.

Len is going to research to bond issue with the road restrictions.

Ron Demchack was also in attendance to express his opinion on the weight restriction limits on Corby Rd, stating that the council has the power to give exceptions.

Frank, 251 Courtdale Ave.---expressed concern over his neighbor across the street, 246 Courtdale Ave is doing “ all kinds of construction” without a permit hanging. The borough has made our building inspector (BHW) and police aware of the situation. Carl will follow up with BHW.

COMMITTEES:

Meeting with Representative Pugh, January 15, 2026. --(Carl, Jeff,Jacki, and Joe R)-discussed bridge project and other local projects. No date is set for starting the project. As far as CDBG, Rep. Pugh recommended we make Rob Bresnahan's office aware of our submission.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rental Registration letters will be sent with Sewer tax bills.

List provided for delinquent sewer fees, making sure liens against are current and updated, on everything over \$1000. Len will reach out to the appropriate people.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rental Registration Letter will be sent out with the sewer bill 2026 making residents aware of the new ordinance.

Joe Rish motioned to pass an ordinance for the registration of residential rental properties located within the borough, Joe B seconded the motion, roll call was taken all in attendance were in favor with Jeff Ford abstaining .

Carl reviewed the proposed budget for 2026, pay raises are factored in with raises to be reviewed at the January meeting. Joe Rish motioned to accept the proposed budget with Debbie seconding the motion , all were in favor.

Joe B motioned to accept the resolution of Courtdale to pass the 2026 budget with taxes remaining the same, Joe R seconded the motion, roll call was taken and all in attendance were in favor. There was a discussion about making sure that any outstanding sewer fee liens be reviewed so the fees can be recovered should the property sell. Len will review with Elite Revenue and their solicitor as to how to proceed and stay up to date.

WVSA stormwater spend down is approx \$16,300, need to use it before the end of 2026. Garage drains, and /or salt shed were a couple of ideas that could be beneficial to the borough. Carl will reach out for prices for drains in the garage.

Amy motioned to approve a Tax collector payment of \$58.66, Debbie seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Jeff made a motion for employee raises to be at 3% with the exception of Shawn Wolf to be 3% plus the amount to make him .25 less than the supervisor rate, Joe B seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Debbie made a motion to renew the Amazon Business Prime Subscription for the Borough at \$179/yr, with Joe B seconding the motion and all were in favor.

Scott the borough engineer from HRG updated the 2026 paving project.. Joe Rish made the motion to approve bidding to be open in February with bids to be reviewed in March, Joe B seconded the motion and all were in agreement.

Scott also gave an update on the 309 Interchange project. Permits for the project are out and the expected dates are not confirmed. Courtdale may be responsible for some of the sewer line relocation.

Joe B made a motion to have the council president be the designated signature for any utility relocation documents, with Jeff seconding the motion , and all were in favor.

Loriann made council aware of a request that came in to adjust the mirror across from Albert St. to assist motorists with viewing the blind corner.

Walt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:06pm with Amy seconding the motion, all were in favor of adjournment.

