

**MINUTES - KOPPEL BOROUGH WORKING MEETING**  
**September 5, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.**  
**Municipal Building**

**PRESENT**

Athena Pangikas-Miller, Mayor  
Tom Sobona, President  
Suzanne Broge  
Jeff Dengler  
Susan Krawchyk  
Anna Maria Plavecsky  
Police Chief Justin Warren  
Officer Erie Squicquero

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Jim Krawchyk

**MOTIONS**

- A motion was made to hire a new part-time police officer. All in favor and all approved.

**GUESTS**

No comments from guests

**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

- Linda DeSanzo, tax collector, is resigning as of December, 2023. If anyone knows who might be interested in the position, let council know.
- Discussed whether council wanted a representative from Comcast to present at next council meeting on September 19. Council determined they were not interested. UPDATE: Council changed their mind and the rep from Comcast will give a presentation on September 19.
- The probationary period for police officers was discussed. At one time, it was 6-months, then in 2022 it was changed to 1-year. Also discussed was the purchase of uniforms. The mayor and chief will work on a document so that requirements are clear.
- The lady who ran into the Dodge Charger police car canceled her insurance. Our insurance will pay for it but will file a civil citation against her. The cost will be around \$1100.
- Officer Squicquero said the state labor board is moving very slow right now. Next step is a vote needs to be taken among uniform and non-uniform employees to begin negotiations.
- A committee document was given to council for review.
- Rick, maintenance supervisor, wanted to verify that the poles for the flags (given by Chuck Bevington) were approved for purchase. It was previously approved.
- Rick also stated that the garbage in town is getting ridiculous with no one picking up trash in their own yards. Landlords are responsible for their tenants.

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:13 PM**