

# **BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

## **DECEMBER 12, 2023**

### **CALL TO ORDER and Pledge Allegiance to the Flag by President Jim Bergolios**

**Present:** President: Jim Bergolios; Vice-President: Joe Saum; Council Members: Chelsea Moore, Scott Howell, Eric Pelc; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Mayor Owen McKinney; Chief Dennis Pennese; Solicitor: Justin George

**Minutes:** Motion by Pete Stoner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the November 28, 2023.

**JDI Site Solutions-Sidewalks:** Contacted the office to be on the agenda to introduce their company and send information to possibly assist with sidewalk repairs, however they did not attend the meeting.

**2024 Final Budget Approval:** After some discussion, some of the line items will be removed due to non-use. Two payments were moved from the Police Savings Account to the General Fund. A motion to approve the final 2024 budget was made by Pete Stoner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried.

**Snow Emergency Ordinance Advertisement:** A motion to advertise the ordinance change for the snow emergency on the west side of North and South Main St was made by Joe Saum, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried. Council plans to vote on the change at the January Organization meeting.

**2024 Tax Resolution:** A motion to approve the Tax Resolution with no tax increase for 2024 was made by Chelsea Moore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried.

**Main St Invoice from PennDOT:** The invoice was received and was higher than the estimate for the work that was done. Andrea called Ryan at KPI and both of us have called Kyle Kreiser at PennDOT regarding the difference in costs and we are waiting to hear from Kyle before paying.

**EMS Coordinator:** Harry agreed to continue as the EMS Coordinator and attend the meetings.

**Maintenance Position:** Jim, Joe and Chelsea interviewed Cody Leer on Dec 5<sup>th</sup>. He requested 15 hours/week. A motion to hire Cody at \$16/hour for max of 30 hours/week was made by Joe Saum, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried. Joe will contact him to offer him the position.

**Hunting at Reservoir Property:** A resident close to the reservoir property requested to hunt on the property. Pete has been the contact for anyone who requested to hunt on the property. Council agreed that the property is for Bendersville residents only and will continue having Pete giving approval.

**Storage Bay at Mike Showers Rental:** Council discussed the storage bay rental and if it is still necessary after selling the dump truck. Council agreed to continue renting the storage bay.

**Borough Sidewalks:** Scott will contact Ryan to walk the streets and find out what the cost will be to report to Council for approval to start.

**Tax Collection Report:** Council was given the updated report. The Tax Office will be paid after they finalize the year-end reports. Council agreed and going forward we will be pay them monthly.

**Police Report:** Council was given a copy of the report and had no questions.

**Code Enforcement Report:** Council was given a copy of the report and had no questions.

**PMCA UCC Report:** The report was available for Council to review.

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**Possum Valley Municipal Authority Minutes:** There were no minutes for review.

**Chelsea Moore:** The camper at 173 S Main St has been moved. Would also like to see the Borough purchase Christmas Decorations.

**Police Car Payments:** There are 2 payments remaining to be paid.

**Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report:** A motion by Pete Stoner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated December 12, 2023, and accept the treasurer's report.

**Adjournment:** The Organization meeting will be held January 2, 2024 and the next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, January 30, 2024, beginning at 7:00 pm at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306. There being no further business, on a motion made by Joe Saum, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary