

BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 30, 2018

CALL TO ORDER by Rick Kime and Pledge Allegiance to the Flag

Present: President: Rick Kime; Council Members: Jim Bergolios, Scott Howell, Dan Kuhn, Joe Saum, Pete Stoner; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Bob Campbell; Owen McKinney

Minutes: Motion by Pete Stoner, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the September 25, 2018 meeting.

Storm Drain Easements: Phil Brath estimated between \$3-5,000 for the easements depending on legal and engineering costs. He suggested Ron Garis at Beyond All Boundaries to do the work. Bob wanted to know what properties would be affected. Council informed Bob that all residents whose property is close to the project area attended the September meeting and have been given project details. The property owners agreed with the plan Council has to repair the storm drain. After much discussion, Bob did not feel additional easements were necessary since only the Bucher property will be affected.

Speed Limit and Traffic Study: A letter was received from PennDOT stating that a traffic study would be performed within 30 days and they will inform us of the results. There will be no cost to the Borough.

Waste Connections Increase: A letter was received requesting an increase of \$.60/qtr or \$2.40/year due to an increase in recycling. Council discussed briefly and will make a decision at the November meeting.

Community Media PEG Station: Comcast pulled their funding for this station and municipalities are asked to donate part of their franchise fee to keep this station active. The immediate donation needed is \$196 and if donations are not received the station will be shut down. Council opted not to donate.

Workers Comp with Tyrone Twp: Tyrone Township has not paid their portion of the worker's comp premium since they are disputing the number of residents that are serviced by Bendersville Fire Co. Andrea has made many phone calls have been made to the tax office, emergency services and the fire co. and received much information but nothing that will help resolve the issue at this point. After some discussion, Pete will contact Shawn Melhorn to attend the Tyrone Township meeting and if he is not able to attend, Council suggested having Bob write a letter to Tyrone Township.

Sidewalk Repair Letters: Council would like to add information on a few contractors in the letters as well for residents to contact and letters will not be sent to residents whose sidewalks are not in need of repairs. Pete mentioned sidewalks on South Main that are broken up from the trees in the sidewalks. Council asked that Darrin send letters to the residents to have the sidewalk repaired.

PIRMA Loss Control Grant: The grant is for projects completed in 2019 to aide in loss prevention, safety equipment training and premises improvements. Council decided not to apply this year.

Electronics Recycling Even 12/1/18: Will be held 8-10 AM at the Butler Township building at 344 Arendtsville. Scott Howell will be able to volunteer.

School Security Drill: A letter was received from UASD that they will be doing security drills from 11/12-16. A copy was also given to the police dept.

DEP Water Regulations Letter: A copy of the letter was given to Council. Different guidelines and tests will be followed for safe drinking water. Leon at LG Operations was also given a copy.

PMCA Zoning & Inspection Report: No report was received.

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Police Report: No one attended the meeting however a report was available for Council to review.

Possum Valley Municipal Authority Minutes: The minutes were available for review.

Adams Co Council of Governments: No minutes were received.

Bob Campbell: Bob reported on Routsong Lane Lots 1-3 that the bank felt the engineering costs were too high for the amount of work to be done for the stormwater management. The bank asked about the surety bond and stated that they have already written off the property. The bank would like to transfer the property but they felt the Engineer costs were high. Bob thought they may pay to fix what needs done and give some maintenance money, but he is not sure. Council decided to wait for the bank to answer.

Owen McKinney: Owen suggested installing a radio read on Lou Baretto's meter and billing him for it since Mike usually cannot access it when reading the water meters. Council would like a letter sent to him to set up a time for the install. Mike cannot get in to read the meter at 62 Routsong Lane because it has a fence with no gate and also a dog. Mike and Owen are unsure if the radio read is working properly. A letter may be sent to the property owner in the future. Dennis Martin refused to pay the \$50 bill for when his meter was fixed. If the charge is not paid it will remain on the account and incur interest/penalties.

Requested reimbursement for the expenses of registration, lodging and state dues in the amount of \$599.13 for the tax collector convention he attended. He also requested an increase from 3.5% to 3.75% for water collections. A motion to pay the tax collector expenses and give Owen the increase for water collections was made by Jim Bergolios, 2nd by Pete Stoner, all in favor, motion carried.

Budget Workshop: Council discussed budget items and changes for 2019. Martha requested that Council discuss pay increases for all members. A motion to increase the Council members & Mayor pay to \$100/meeting was made by Pete Stoner, 2nd by Jim Bergolios, all in favor, motion carried. 2019 proposed budgets will be advertised and approved at the November meeting.

Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report: A motion by Joe Saum, 2nd by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated October 30, 2018, and accept the treasurer's report.

Adjournment: The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 27, 2018, beginning at 7:00 pm at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306. There being no further business, on a motion by Jim Bergolios, 2nd by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary