# BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES April 28, 2015

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

<u>Present:</u> President: Rick Kime, Vice President: Jim Patterson; Mayor: Rob Gochenauer; Council Members: Scott Howell, Martha Schriver, Dan Kuhn, Pete Stoner; Secretary: Andrea Rivera

<u>Guests:</u> Kevin Jacobs, Glace Associates; Robert Moyer, Commonwealth Code; Bill Gardiner, PAMC; Robert Campbell, Owen McKinney; and Gettysburg Times Reporter: Deb Thomas Lamb

<u>Minutes:</u> Motion by Martha Schriver, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pete Stoner, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the March 31, 2015 meeting.

**Kevin Jacobs – Park Street Project:** He reported that the project had been scaled down and are ready to re-bid. The current wall will be replaced with a constructed wall and the curb/sidewalk will also be replaced. Based on the size of the project, Kevin is hoping a landscaping company may bid on the project. A pre-bid meeting has been set for Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 at the Borough Office and bids will be accepted until the next Council Meeting on May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. A motion by Dan Kuhn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Patterson, all in favor, motion carried, to advertise the project for construction bids.

Robert Moyer, Commonwealth Code Inspection: Attended the meeting assure the Council that he will be the person working in our area and will continue the same service we had previously been receiving. Our contract automatically renews every 2 years and was signed in 2009. Dan Kuhn mentioned that he has had several complaints about consistency with letters being sent out to residents about violations. Council agreed there should be consistency with the violations. At this point, there will be a 90 trial period per Council.

<u>Bill Gardiner, PA Municipal Code Alliance</u>: Bill attended the meeting to introduce the new company he is working for. He would like Council to consider his experience in the Borough over the past years and contract with the new company. He stated that he would provide the same service as the past and would like the Council's support.

<u>Liquid Fuels Audit:</u> Andrea reported that the audit went well and there was no action required at this time. The reports were filed and each Council member received a copy.

<u>Wellspan Letter:</u> Council received a copy of the letter stating that the hospital is discontinuing ALS service effective July 1. Service will now be provided from Biglerville Fire Co.

**Notary Update:** Andrea informed the Council that she passed the notary test and is ready to send the application. A motion by Dan Kuhn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried, for the Borough to pay the \$40 application fee.

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**Statement of Financial Interests Form:** Andrea reported that all forms were received.

**<u>Code Enforcement:</u>** The February inspection reports were available for review.

**<u>Land & Sea Services:</u>** The March inspection report was available for review.

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

Martha Schriver: Reported that street sweeping will be finished on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Asked Sean Cramer about fire hydrant testing and he indicated that there were no plans to have this done. Rick noted that the fire co used to drain the hydrants, but it hasn't been done for a long time and should be done. Jim P. requested it in the past but it had not been done and since we are having pressure issues, we need to wait until these issues are resolved before continuing with this testing.

**Rob Gochenauer:** Reported that Jim Patterson Jr. would like to join the Association of Police Chiefs for \$40. Also, he was researching a GPS to use to mark water shut-offs but could not find one that was as accurate as we needed it to be.

Jim Patterson: Reported that Larry Heller has been hired to assist Baumgardner with identifying the water shut-offs in the Borough. George Krichten received his final report from DEP with some items that they are requesting be done. He will be getting a list together for the next meeting. Mike Shreve has given 2 weeks' notice for mowing/maintenance, however he will continue to do the water meter readings. Rob indicated that Rick Inman may be interested in helping out with the mowing. Jim also said Gary Guise may be interested in helping with mowing also. Rob will talk with Rick and see what he may be interested in doing. Wellhouse #3 has a drainage problem and needs dug out on the other side of the fence because the water is not getting out it is back flushing.

<u>Dan Kuhn:</u> Updated Council on the feral cat situation in the Borough. They believe the cat population is under control at this time. He reminded Council that there are several signs that need to be put up around the Borough whenever a maintenance person is able to do it.

**Owen McKinney:** Reported that DCED has changed the credit fee from \$40 to \$10/credit going forward.

**Bob Campbell:** Questioned using prevailing wages on the Park Street project. He reported that there is a transportation bill with a municipal exception that states prevailing wages be used if the project is over \$100,000 for highway or bridge repairs using Liquid Fuel money or their own money. He suggested that the Engineer look at this further because of the cost savings.

<u>Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report:</u> Motion by Martha Schriver, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Kuhn, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated April 28, 2015, and accept the treasurer's report.

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<u>Adjournment:</u> There being no further business, on a motion by Martha Schriver, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Kuhn, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary