

BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MAY 28, 2024

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, Micaiah Van Evera, Eric Pelc, Pete Stoner, Scott Howell; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Solicitor: Justin George; Chief Dennis Pennese, Keith Culbertson; Residents: Gregory Culp, Roxy Firestone, Mike McKinney, Justin Takasawa; Liz Caples-Gettysburg Times

Minutes: Motion by Pete Stoner, 2nd by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the Meeting on March 26, 2024 with correction adding Scott Howell as an attendee.

Roxy Firestone Parking: Does not have parking behind her house and would like to inquire on how to get a driveway or alley added behind her house at 113 Mt Tabor Rd. Justin Takasawa (111 Mt Tabor Rd) also has the same issue. There used to be an alley behind their houses according to their deeds and would like to have parking behind their houses for their use and possible resale purposes. They will pay for all the expenses and the property owner on the corner has given approval to enter behind his property from Quarry Rd. Justin George advised them to get an attorney or surveyor to do plans and paperwork showing the placement, approvals of all property owners and apply for permits.

Emergency Plan for Water: Greg Culp attended as a representative for the property owners on South Main St/Routson Ln regarding the water leak and a few suggestions. Greg wondered why our plumber did not have spare parts in stock for such an emergency. He would like to see it prevented in the future by possibly a different plumber, concern about no caution tape around the hole to prevent another issue and possibly install a flow meter. Council thanked him for his comments and suggestions.

Phone numbers need to be updated for the One Call Now robo call service. If residents have issues or need to change their phone number, they need to contact the Borough Office. Boil water notices should be more clear in robo call messages. Control Systems 21 will be contacted for a price on water tank alarm.

Possum Valley Board Appointment: Chelsea introduced Mike McKinney who owns property in the Borough and is interested in being on the board. Fred Hartman's term will expire June 30, 2024, and the Borough needs to appoint someone for the board. Chelsea said Harry Melhorn is interested in being on the board again as well.

Water Reservoir Area Cleanup: Trash is accumulating up at the reservoir past the pump house. More cameras are also being installed and Council discussed a gate. Matt Showers is going to try to spread the piles of millings with a track hoe for use on the dirt road where it gets washed out with water.

Street Sweeping: A verbal quote of approximately \$2890 was received from Pruitt Trucking for street sweeping to be done in July. A motion to accept the quote was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried. Signs will need to be placed along the street and a robo call to residents.

Maintenance Position: Will be discussed in Executive Session.

Equipment to be Sold: Council would like to sell the snowplow and spreader. The snowplow has been specifically installed on the truck which will need to be removed as well as the electrical parts to move the plow. A motion to sell the snowplow and spreader was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Pete Stoner, all in favor, motion carried. A motion to make the reserve price \$3500 for each item was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried.

Police Software Upgrade: Chief Pennese requested approval for an upgrade of their reporting software Informant which is being offered at a discounted price. This software will allow officers to have access to more information, electronic ticketing, reporting in the correct formatting for FBI and discontinue

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purchasing paper citations. A motion to upgrade the software was made by Joe Saum, 2nd by Eric Pelc, all in favor, motion carried. Payment for this software will be 1/2 from General Account and 1/2 from Police Savings Account.

Mayor Resignation: Mayor McKinney has submitted a letter of resignation. Council will discuss the resignation at the June meeting.

Borough Water Usage Request from PVMA: Possum Valley requested a quarterly water usage report to help them with their EDU assessments. A motion to approve sending the report was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried.

Sidewalk Updates: Council was given a letter to review which will be sent to residents regarding fixing their sidewalks.

Tax Collection Report: Council was given a copy of the report. Council agreed to pay the County Treasurer for tax collections at the end of the tax year.

Police Report: Chief Pennese reviewed the report and Council had no questions.

Code Enforcement Report: Council was given a copy of the report. Keith discussed the citations that were given for grass/weeds and other issues. Refrigerator has been removed from the front porch.

PMCA UCC Report: The report was available for review.

Possum Valley Municipal Authority Minutes: No Minutes Available.

Adams Co Council of Government Minutes: The minutes were available for Council to review.

Fire Co Donation: A motion to give a \$2000 donation from the water account for burning and cleanup at the reservoir was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried.

Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report: A motion by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Pete Stoner, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated May 28, 2024, and accept the treasurer's report.

Executive Session: A motion to continue into executive session was made by Micaiah Van Evera, 2nd by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, June 25, 2024, beginning at 7:00 pm at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306. There being no further business, on a motion made by Micaiah Van Evera, 2nd by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary