

# **BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

## **SEPTEMBER 26, 2017**

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

**Present:** Vice-President: Jim Patterson; Council Members: Scott Howell, Martha Schriver, Dan Kuhn, Pete Stoner; Mayor: Robin Gochenauer; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Sgt. Dennis Pennese; Owen McKinney; PMCA: Darrin Catts

**Minutes:** Motion by Martha Schriver, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the August 29, 2017 meeting.

**Snow Removal Bid Opening:** One bid was received from Mentzer Farms and Services. Jim opened the bid and read it aloud during the meeting. Council agreed to accept the bid submitted by Mentzer Farms and Services on a motion made by Martha Schriver, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried.

**Update on Park St Road Project:** Bill was received from Mentzer Farms and Services for \$7825.32 for the work completed to date. It also included the additional concrete work that was found underground. Matt will be returning to repave at another time.

**Hannah's Orchard:** Someone is interested in purchasing the 3 vacant lots which are left. Hill's office wanted to know if the project was completed and if there was any financial security left from the project. Jim P. stated that everything was completed and Hill's office should contact Land & Sea.

**Liquid Fuels Estimated Allocation:** A copy of the letter was given to each member showing the estimated allocation of \$19,575.06 for 2018.

**Waste Contract & Advertisement:** Bob reviewed the contract documents to be sent out along with the County and all agreed they were ready to be advertised. There will be no pre-bid meeting and the County has agreed to assist with any addendums or additional items needed. The advertisement will be placed in the newspaper and bids will be due November 6<sup>th</sup>. Council has decided to change the October meeting to be held on November 7<sup>th</sup> in order to give more time for the haulers to submit bids.

**General Code Updates:** Resolutions and ordinances were submitted to have updates done and the estimate was between \$1155-1460 to update all books. A motion to have the code books updated was made by Martha Schriver, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pete Stoner, all in favor, motion carried.

**Budget Review:** Workshop was held to discuss the budgets. Council reviewed the changes made at the workshop and it will be advertised with final approval at the November 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. A motion to tentatively approve the budget was made by Martha Schriver, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Kuhn, all in favor, motion carried.

**PMCA Code Enforcement Report:** The report was available for review. Darrin Catts attended the meeting to give the report for the month. Darrin addressed the issues Council had from August and is happy with progress being made. There are several issues he is not able to resolve and they will be discussed with Land & Sea. He was informed of a few locations for high weeds which he will check out.

**Land & Sea Building/Zoning:** The inspection report was available for review.

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**Police Report:** Sgt. Pennese attended the meeting and gave the report.

**Police Car Update:** Copies of the quotes for vehicles were given to each member along with some financing options that were sent to the Borough. Jim P. suggested a meeting with the safety committee to discuss. Mayor Gochenauer suggested waiting to make a decision until January when the new Mayor takes over and he can evaluate the situation. He also suggested using the Borough truck if there is an urgent need. After the election, the safety committee will meet to discuss with the new Mayor.

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

**Adams Co Council of Governments:** No Minutes.

**Clouse Property Update:** The Boro received a letter from Campbell & White stating the consolidation sale for the 2 liens has been scheduled for November 17, 2017. Campbell & White hopes to get the property on the list for the Sheriff Sale in January 2018.

**Martha Schriver:** Reported that the tar & chip was done last week at the same time the work was done in the square. Martha mentioned a concern was raised from the discussion at the budget workshop about who should be billing the homeowners in Applewood for water meters. Jim P. explained that the water main was replaced by the developer and the fee was waived for the first 125 homes. Since that time, some land has been sold and some is unable to be developed, therefore there will not be more than 125 homes. Martha also asked if anyone was aware of the water leak at 119 S Main St and was concerned that Council was not contacted. Someone contacted Harry who called Baumgardners but then cancelled since the water was turned off at the curb. Baumgardners explained that there would still be a bill coming. It was determined that the leak was the homeowner's responsibility.

**Scott Howell:** Reported a large hole in the yard at the back of 131 Park St near the alley. Council asked Darrin to look at it to determine if it is a sink hole or some type of animal hole. Darrin agreed.

**Payment for Flaggers:** After some discussion, Council agreed to put them on the payroll as employees and pay them \$12/hour for the hours worked.

**Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report:** A motion by Scott Howell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Martha Schriver, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated September 26, 2017, and accept the treasurer's report.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, on a motion by Martha Schriver, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pete Stoner, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm. The next meeting was changed to be on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary