

BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 24, 2019

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

Present: President: Rick Kime; Vice-President: Martha Schriver; Council Members: Scott Howell, Jim Bergolios, Pete Stoner, Dan Kuhn, Joe Saum; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Harry Melhorn, Owen McKinney, Chief Dave Ogle, Darrin Catts-PMCA; Nick Shearer & Jim Kimmel-Hamilton & Musser; Luke Parr-Penn Forestry

Minutes: Motion by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Dan Kuhn, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the August 27, 2019 regular meeting.

Snow Removal Bids: No bids were received.

Hamilton & Musser-James Kimmel & Nick Shearer: Provided Council information about their firm and services they provide. Council requested they submit a proposal to be reviewed at the October meeting.

Tree Removal at Reservoir: Luke Parr from Penn Forestry explained to Council that about 861 trees were marked for removal and believes it may be approximately \$62,000. Luke would like approval from the Solicitor to advertise the timber sale in conjunction with Matt Showers' sale. The sales will be separate and have their own contracts, but will increase the value of both if they can be done together. He will advertise and have the bid opening at his office on 11/25/2019 so they are available for the November 26th meeting. The road/area will need to be left in same or better condition than before they started cutting which is stated in the contract and inspections will be done. Andrea will contact Bob about the advertising and contact Luke.

Storm Drain behind Dugans: Ben will be contacted again to get an update.

Tyrone Twp Worker's Comp Update: No update at this time.

Snow Emergency Ordinance Change: A copy of the current ordinance was given to Council and PennDOT requested to have the ordinance changed so that both sides of Main St are snow emergency routes. After some discussion, a motion to change the ordinance and make both sides of North and South Main St snow emergency was made by Pete Stoner, 2nd by Martha Schriver, all in favor, motion carried.

Dump Truck & Related Items: Pete will contact Logan Henline to see if we can store salt and cinders at his location for this year until we get a building done. Harry also got estimates on an additional snow plow for the Ford truck to use as a backup. The estimate was approximately \$10,000 with an additional discount from costars. He said it is not hard to get the plow installed if the other plow would break. Martha will contact Ben Smyers to see if he is willing to be a backup if we would need him. Andy Schriver is interested in being a backup driver if needed. Franklin Township rejected the original offer of \$16,000 for the dump truck/snow plow/spreader, but would agree to \$20,000. A motion to purchase this truck from Franklin Township for \$20,000 was made by Joe Saum, 2nd by Jim Bergolios, all in favor, motion carried. After much discussion, Council decided to wait on buying an additional plow for this year.

One Call Now Changes: Several tenants of property owners called and asked to be added to the list for calls that go out about notifications. Currently the calls go to the property owners and it is their responsibility to let the tenants know. With the amount of people moving in and out it may be an extra expense for the Borough to pay for the additional calls to tenants. Council agreed to add tenants that may call and ask to be added, but will not be made public.

2020 Liquid Fuels Allocation: A copy of the letter was given to each member showing the estimated allocation of \$19,444.98 for 2020.

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2019 CDBG Grant Update: Response was received regarding our 2019 grant application for additional funds for sidewalk ramp improvements. They had many applications and while our sidewalks are in need of repair, they did not fit the eligibility criteria for this funding source.

Water Billing Schedule: A proposed fee schedule was set up to help collect for unpaid water usage. Council decided to table this issue until the October meeting so Bob is able to give input.

Stormwater Facilities on State Highway Resolution: A motion to accept this resolution was made by Scott Howell, 2nd by Dan Kuhn, all in favor, motion carried.

Hach Renewal Quote: A copy of the email from Derek was given to Council regarding the equipment that needs fixed. The contract will expire in November and a technician has been there to fix it, but has been unsuccessful. Derek said he can do what needs done for a lesser cost than the contract renewal. Council would like the equipment fixed before renewing the contract for the next year. Andrea will contact Hach.

Treysta Computer Quote: Office computer is having problems and Treysta believes the hard drive may be going bad. A motion to accept the quote in the amount of \$1118.95 and replace the computer was made by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Jim Bergolios, all in favor, motion carried.

Fee Schedule Changes: Darrin informed Council that some of the fees on our fee schedule are not applicable and need to be changed. Fees should only cover costs incurred. He suggested changing the zoning fee to be \$1000 but that may not cover all the legal fees. The building fee could be increased as a flat rate for all types of building fees.

He also reported on the progress at 190 Park St and their proposed business accessibility. He explained that he had spoken to Gary Shaffer at Shaffer Design Group about the property and asked him to do a site visit to be able to see the accessibility issues. They are slowly moving forward.

PMCA Zoning & Inspection Report: Darrin attended and reported 122 N Main St has been cleaned up and received a few burning complaints. He informed Council that the weeds have to be over 12 inches before a notice is issued. Council is unhappy with the weeds along the street and discussed lowering the height. Council also informed Darrin of solid waste items on porches. Darrin will check on these items.

Police Report: Chief Ogle reviewed the report with Council. Chief reported that a car was ticketed and towed after being parked in a No Parking Zone for 2 days. Council was also given a copy of Craig Hartley's resignation. Lane Hartley last worked August 27th and is scheduled to work September 27th.

Chief asked Council about changing trick or treat to a Saturday/Sunday afternoon for future years due to the condition of the sidewalks. Council keeps October 31st when surrounding towns also have theirs.

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

Adams Co Council of Governments (COG) Minutes: The minutes were available for review.

Martha Schriver: Borough signs are being worked on.

Pete Stoner: Water cap needs replaced at 116 Church St. Baumgardner will be contacted.

PSI Work: Work was not done because they were unable to get the water shut off completely to change the valves. The plans will be checked to see if there is another valve that needs to be turned off on Potato Rd. Rick will contact them to find out when they plan to try again. Council would like it to be done at a time that there is little effect on the school and restaurant.

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Owen McKinney: Requested Council pay him \$200 monthly to help Andrea with the water billing.

Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report: A motion by Jim Bergolios, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated September 24, 2019, and accept the treasurer's report.

Adjournment: The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 29, 2019, beginning at 7:00 pm at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306. There being no further business, on a motion by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary