

BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 27, 2026

CALL TO ORDER and Pledge Allegiance to the Flag by President Jim Bergolios

Present: President: Jim Bergolios; Vice President: Gary Bretzman; Council Members: Scott Howell, Harry Melhorn, Eric Pelc, Micaiah Van Evera; Mayor: Pete Stoner; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Solicitor: Justin George; Chief Dennis Pennese; Gregory Blake

Amend Agenda: A motion was made by Micaiah Van Evera, 2nd by Eric Pelc, all in favor, motion carried to amend the agenda to add items IT Maintenance Company and Tax Collector Resolution Approval.

Chief Pennese introduced Gregory Blake as a new Part-time Bendersville Borough Police Officer. Two officers have left the Department so he will work some of those available hours. He thanked Council for the opportunity and Council thanked him for coming.

At this time Mayor Stoner did the swearing in for Chelsea Moore.

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes was made by Gary Bretzman, 2nd by Eric Pelc, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the Meeting on December 16, 2025.

Ryan Picarelli-Engineering Issues: Ryan was not able to attend. Jim reported that he, Ron Allee, Ryan Bausch, Ryan Picarelli and Andrea met to talk about a few sidewalk issues along State Roadways. Ryan also dropped off plans from Columbia Gas for the lines they are replacing in the Borough. Work will be done sometime this year.

USPS Mail Delivery: Mena Beshara (Aspers Postmaster) was asked to attend the meeting, but did not show. Pete would like Andrea to email Brian Peters to let him know Mena did not show for the meeting. The issue is having mailboxes delivery address to be Aspers and not Bendersville. Council would like to put an ordinance into place not allowing mailboxes, but not sure postal regulations will allow. Council will continue to try to schedule a meeting with Brian Peters and the postmaster to get the issue resolved.

Water Rate Increase Letter: Council approved the letter to be mailed to all water customers.

Fire Co Annual Appreciation Banquet 3/14/26: Chelsea Moore and Micaiah Van Evera will attend.

Office Computer Quotes for Approval: 3 computer quotes (Treysta HP Desktop or Laptop, Desktop from Dell website) were received for Council to review. A motion to purchase the Dell Computer directly from Dell and have 1st Choice Computer handle our monthly maintenance was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Harry Melhorn, all in favor, motion carried.

IT Company Maintenance Contract: After the problems with Treysta, Jim contacted 1st Choice Computer to see what the cost would be for maintenance. 1st Choice Computer will be \$147/month and Treysta is \$386/month.

Resolution 2026-1 Tax Collection for Approval: A motion to approve the resolution for Adams Co Tax Services to collect the taxes was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Gary Bretzman, all in favor, motion carried.

YATB Representatives: Scott Howell will be the representative.

Statement of Financial Interest Forms Due 5/1/2026: Forms are due 5/1/2026.

Tax Collection Report: The report was available for Council to review.

Police Report: Chief Pennese gave the report. No questions.

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PMCA Code Enforcement Report-Ron/Ryan: The report was available for Council to review.

PMCA UCC Report-Andrew: The report was available for Council to review.

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

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

Narema Meeting on 2/17:

W2s: Andrea gave each employee their 2025 W2 at the meeting.

Electronics Recycling: Will be held at Franklin Township on Saturday, April 11, 2026 8-10:00 AM.

Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report: A motion by Eric Pelc, 2nd Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated January 27, 2026, and accept the treasurer's report.

Adjournment: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, February 24, 2026, 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 Eric Pelc, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary