

BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 31, 2023

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

Present: President: Rick Kime; Vice-President: Martha Schriver; Council Members: Scott Howell, Joe Saum, Jim Bergolios, Dan Kuhn; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Mayor Owen McKinney; Chief Dennis Pennese, Officer Chuck Stuart; Solicitor: Robert Campbell; Guests: James Stelfox, Robert Mulligan

Minutes: Motion by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the December 13, 2022.

100 Apple Lane Subdivision Plan: Council was given copies of the minutes from the Planning Commission meeting. The Planning Commission made a recommendation that Council deny the plan based on the comments from the Adams Co Office of Planning and KPI which was not enough road frontage to add another house to the property. A motion to deny the subdivision plan was made by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Jim Bergolios, all in favor, motion carried.

137 Rampike Hill Rd Water: James Stelfox wanted to discuss with Council the amount they pay each quarter for their water since they will not be using the school on a daily basis. They will have a max of 60-65 students at any one time. He gave the current meter reading to Andrea and she will work on a new minimum quarterly charge to be approved. Council also approved no payment due this quarter.

SR 4008-FY2022 Resurfacing Project Updates & Contract: PennDOT requested an email stating that the drainage work to be completed on Church St will be done by PennDOT during the resurfacing project, however in the future it will be maintained by the Borough. Council would like email sent stating they agreed.

2023 LABS Quote for Approval: The quote is for 2023 lab services. A motion to approve the quote was made by Joe Saum, 2nd by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried.

2023 Electronics Recycling: April 22, 8-10 AM, Franklin Township, 55 Scott School Road, Orrtanna. September 16, 8-10 AM, Arendtsville. Scott will volunteer for the April event.

2023 Reappointments and Fee Schedule Changes: Council was given a copy of the current Borough Fees to review. A Driveway Permit \$40 was added and Returned Check Fee increased to \$40. A motion to approve the fees was made by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried.

Tax Collection Position: The County Tax Office will be collecting taxes for the Borough for 2023.

Personnel Issues: Will be discussed during Executive Session. A list of salary approvals needs to be approved and signed by Rick for the SEK Auditors.

Statement of Financial Interest Forms: Council was given the form which is due May 1st.

Tax Collection Report: Council reviewed the updated report and had no comments.

Police Report/Code Enforcement Report: Chief Pennese introduced Robert Mulligan to Council as officer he would like to hire. Robert spoke about his background and thanked Council for meeting with him. Chief Pennese also gave the police report.

Code Enforcement sent a letter to 114 Rampike Hill Rd and there has been no change. The house is not condemned but repairs need to be done. Rick asked Andrea to check for financial documents at the Courthouse. Justin explained that Council should adopt the International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) ordinance in order to be able to follow the proper procedures to condemn a property. Council would like to review the code and discuss adopting at a future meeting.

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PMCA UCC Report: No report.

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

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

Office Updates: The water cooler has been picked up since we were having issues with it and it was suggested getting a small refrigerator with water bottles. Martha has a small refrigerator we can use.

Credit cards have been received for Rick, Martha and Harry.

The office needs a new toilet and Council approved Harry to get one and use the credit card.

F550 is sitting at the Fire Hall because the steering went out and Harry said the battery does not hold a charge. It will need to be towed since it is not able to be driven. Joe suggested having Lady & Taylor tow and fix it. Martha suggested getting an estimate on fixing it.

Correspondence: Emergency Services is hosting a National Weather Service seminar on February 13th and it was offered to Council members if anyone wants to attend.

Jenna Smith sent a letter thanking the Planning Commission for meeting with her at their last meeting. She gave a website with a survey and would appreciate any historical information any residents may have that they want to share.

New Hope Ministries sent a letter explaining the services they provide to residents in the Borough including food pantries.

Martha Schriver: Thanked Council for their support during the time that her husband Scott was sick. She really appreciated it.

Rick Kime: Submitted his resignation letter as Council President since he and Jeannette retired and bought a house outside the Borough. His last meeting will be February 28, 2023. Martha Schriver will take over responsibilities of President but remain as VP. An appointment will fill the position for 2 years.

Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report: A motion by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Jim Bergolios, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated January 31, 2023, and accept the treasurer's report.

Executive Session: A motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues was made by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried. A motion to return to the regular meeting was made by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Jim Bergolios, all in favor, motion carried.

Harry will be having knee surgery on February 21st and will be out for 14 weeks. Dave will cover for snow removal and possibly mowing but will not do meter readings. He would like to have Mike Shreve do meter readings. Jim also mentioned Jasper Hankey with SES to do meters if Mike can't do it. A motion to increase hourly wages for Harry & Dave \$1.00 and Andrea \$1.50 was made by Joe Saum, 2nd by Martha Schriver, all in favor, motion carried.

A motion to ask Jasper Hankey to read water meters in the future was made by Jim Bergolios, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment: The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, beginning at 7:00 pm at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306. There being no further business, on a motion made by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary