

# **BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

## **FEBRUARY 25, 2025**

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

**Present:** President: Jim Bergolios; Vice President: Joe Saum; Council Members: Scott Howell, Eric Pelc, Chelsea Moore, Micaiah Van Evera, Gary Bretzman; Mayor: Pete Stoner; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Chief Dennis Pennese

**Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes was made by Chelsea Moore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eric Pelc, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the Meeting on January 28, 2025.

**250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** Biglerville Mayor Phil Wagner would like to have a parade on June 14, 2026. He would like Bendersville to participate and is inviting other neighboring towns and areas.

**Dugan Subdivision Plan Approval:** The waiver letter was received from Allen Dugan and Council reviewed the letter. A motion to approve the subdivision plan with the condition that the land will be used for agricultural or cemetery purposes was made by Eric Pelc, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried. This condition will also be verified with Ryan Picarelli at KPI.

**Council & Mayor Positions for Election:** Petitions with signatures should be notarized and returned by March 11<sup>th</sup> to the Elections Office.

**Sidewalk Letter to Residents:** After much discussion, it was suggested to schedule a workshop to discuss a plan for the long-term project.

**Water Bill Order:** A motion was made to order 2000 water bills per Eric Pelc, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried.

**Zoning Change for Business:** A resident on N Main St is going to bake out of her home to sell at farmer's markets, etc not out of her home. Andrew confirmed that a zoning application needs completed and an inspection for the kitchen.

**Liquid Fuels Audit 3/6/2025:** Auditors will be here for 1 day.

**Liquid Fuels and Act 44 Allocation:** The 2025 allocation is \$20425.30. Council was given a copy.

**Statement of Financial Interest Forms:** Forms are due 5/1/2025.

**Tax Collection Report:** No report.

**Police Report:** Chief Pennese reviewed the report with Council.

**Code Enforcement Report:** Jim reviewed the report with Council. Chelsea asked about a neighbor having quail. They are not allowed to have quail based on the ordinance.

**PMCA UCC Report:** No report.

**Possum Valley Municipal Authority Minutes:** The minutes were available for review. Hired a new PT sewer operator to help with on-call services. Also looking into purchasing Tyrone Township sewer.

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

**Gary Bretzman:** Feels there needs to be more focus on the hills for snow/ice for next season. Street committee will contact Ben.

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**Chelsea Moore:** Matt Showers has been plowing at the reservoir and street committee will let Ben know he doesn't need to plow.

Curb painting needs to be done on Main St. Would like to see no parking further back on N Main St. Council will discuss further in the future.

**138 Kime Ave:** Property has been sold and new buyers have applied for permits.

**Rental Space/Plow:** Space is cleaned out and we brought back some electronics that need recycled.

**Electronics Recycling:** April 12<sup>th</sup> at Franklin Township, 8-10 AM.

**Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report:** A motion by Chelsea Moore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eric Pelc, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated February 25, 2025, and accept the treasurer's report.

**Adjournment:** The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, March 25, 2025, beginning at 7:00 pm at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306. There being no further business, on a motion made by Eric Pelc, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary