

BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 28, 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, Gary Bretzman, Eric Pelc, Chelsea Moore; Mayor: Pete Stoner; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Chief Dennis Pennese, Sgt Hilliard; Solicitor: Justin George; Brooke Nelson-Gettysburg Times

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes was made by Chelsea Moore, 2nd by Eric Pelc, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the Meeting on September 30, 2025.

Fire Company-Generator Quote: This will be discussed at a future meeting.

Trick or Treat Night-October 31, 2025: Still scheduled 6-8:00 PM.

2025 CDBG Grant Update: No updates received.

2026 Liquid Fuels Estimated Allocation: Estimated allocation for 2026 is \$19,672.83.

Traverse Vehicle Buyout: Buyout for Police Car is \$83.63. A motion to buy out the car was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried.

E-Codes Annual Estimate: The quote is \$1295 for annual cost for maintaining the E-codes online with other features. The ordinances that are not codified were submitted for codification. They said approximately \$25-\$35/page and we have not received the quote yet. Eric suggested adding the annual cost to the 2026 budget.

One Call Now Renewal: Currently we have 1297 credits for calls. Council agreed to renew and not purchase any credits at this time.

2026 Proposed Budget Approval: A motion to raise the taxes .5 mills was made by Gary Bretzman, 2nd by Eric Pelc, all in favor, motion carried. A motion to raise the minimum usage to \$80/8000 gallons quarterly and overage to \$5/1000 gallons was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried. A motion to approve and advertise the proposed budgets was made by Joe Saum, 2nd by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried. The tax ordinance and the proposed budget will be advertised and ready for adoption at the November meeting.

2026 Waste Contract Approval: Waste Connections was the only company that bid on the contract. The price will increase to \$408/year per customer. A motion to accept the Contract Bid from Waste Connections was made by Gary Bretzman, 2nd by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried.

L/B Water Software Upgrade: Current software contract ends December 15th and we can start the new contract whenever we are ready. We are looking to upgrade the water software which will cost \$4000, purchase a tablet for the readings from T-Mobile and upgrade the office computer. This upgrade will also help save time for reading water meters.

Andrea is also looking to possibly change the billing software in order to save some time and money but we do not have all the information yet. A motion to accept the L/B Water billing software quote and the T-Mobile Tablet quote was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried.

Tax Collection Report: There were no updates to report.

Police Report: Chief Pennese gave the report.

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PMCA Code Enforcement Report-Ron: The report was available for Council to review. Jim worked with Ron to get the sidewalk done correctly at 127 N Main St. They have filed an application for the permit and spoken with Ryan and PennDOT to get the concrete done correctly.

PMCA UCC Report-Andrew: The report was available for Council to review. The ramp at 101 N Main St is being redone again. There are still permits and inspections that need to be done before opening.

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. Andrea has reports from York Adams Tax Bureau from the COG meeting for Council to view. YATB reported that they feel they have been doing well at collecting the back taxes owed by residents.

Water Plant Fence: Work has been completed. Council would like them to come back in the spring to fix the barb wire fence. Council would also like to have Rob trim the brush around the fence area once it dies off more.

Rental Registration Ordinance: Council reviewed the ordinance provided by Justin. The rates will be set by Council and approved at the November meeting.

Office Keys: Jim would like to have anyone not needing a key to turn it into the office.

EMA Director: Council would like to go with NAREMA and will hopefully get more information from the representatives at the November Meeting.

Water Shut-offs: Monday, October 6th Rob will be taking care of these. Council wants to be sure the fees of \$75 to turn off water/\$75 to turn it back on are collected prior to the water being turned back on.

Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report: A motion by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated October 28, 2025, and accept the treasurer's report.

Executive Session: A motion to move into executive session was made by Joe Saum, 2nd by Eric Pelc, all in favor, motion carried. A motion to give \$1.50/hour increase to Rob and Andrea effective 1/1/2026 was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Micaiah Van Evera, all in favor, motion carried. A motion to move back into the meeting was made by Eric Pelc, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, November 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, 2nd by Chelsea Moore, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary