BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 29, 2019

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

Present: President: Rick Kime; Council Members: Scott Howell, Jim Bergolios, Pete Stoner, Dan Kuhn, Joe Saum; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Solicitor: Robert Campbell; Harry Melhorn, Owen McKinney, Chief Dave Ogle, Luke Parr-Penn Forestry; John Phillips; Roxy Firestone

<u>Minutes:</u> Motion by Pete Stoner, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the September 24, 2019 regular meeting.

Roxy Firestone: She would like Council to consider putting in an alley behind her house so she will have parking. Bob stated a survey would need to be done for the properties. Bob will review the documents she has and check on deeds at the Courthouse. Council will get back to her about a decision.

Penn Forestry Bids-Luke Parr: 11 bids were received for the timber sale. The high bid went to Keystone Logs & Lumber LLC for \$90585. Documents to go with the bids were also signed. After some further discussion, a motion to accept the bid with conditional review and approval by the solicitor of the performance bond and contract was made by Jim Bergolios, 2nd by Scott Howell, all in favor motion carried. Pete also asked that pics being taken before work begins to ensure the area is returned to the original state.

John Phillips: Introduced himself to Council and is running for Controller in Adams County.

Hamilton & Musser Proposal: Provided Council their proposal for audit services. Council decided to continue with SEK due to the long-standing relationship we have had and comfort level of their work.

Storm Drain behind Dugans: Has been completed and 3 tree stumps still need to be removed. Ben will be working with the tree company to remove the remaining stumps. Rick will contact Ben for an estimate of when this work will be done.

Tyrone Twp Worker's Comp Update: Bob requested an Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

Snow Emergency Ordinance Change: Bob did not get the ordinance advertised so it will be done before the November meeting. Mayor Riley is concerned since some people along Main St do not have front yards where will they put their snow. He is also concerned that ice could be thrown from the plow and may go thru a window of someone's house. After some discussion, Council decided not to change the ordinance.

Snow Removal: Logan Henline brought the contract for the storage bay to the meeting for Council to review. The contract is \$100/month to store our snow materials for November-April or when we are ready to move the materials out. Council discussed getting 2 storage bays. A motion to accept the contract revised by Henline to be \$200/month for 2 bays was made by Joe Saum, 2nd by Scott Howell, all in favor, motion carried. A motion to accept Ben Smyers' proposal as a backup for snow removal was made by Pete Stoner, 2nd by Jim Bergolios, all in favor, motion carried. Pete suggested setting up a shed committee to get the construction started. The committee will be Pete Stoner, Scott Howell and Joe Saum-Chairman.

Joe asked where we would get the materials we will need. Harry was given some places to call for prices from Menallen & Franklin Townships. Rick suggested getting a load of calcium and cinders to start. Bob suggested getting prices and Harry will document for our records.

<u>Hemisphere Markup on Purchases</u>: Derek purchased an item from USA Bluebook and added a 10% markup on the invoice which is what he said Leon had done previously. Rick talked to Derek and explained they should use our office account when ordering since we are tax exempt and also told him we would not be paying a 10% markup. Council suggested looking around for someone else to do this work.

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<u>Water Billing Schedule:</u> A proposed fee schedule was set up to help collect for unpaid water usage. The reason behind this was the extra costs spent sending 2nd notice bills out including printing, envelopes, postage, etc. After much discussion, Bob felt it was more beneficial to keep the current procedure in place. He feels that his office has a good process that will place liens on properties when the payments are not received. He also stated that there is a 6% interest that is collected on outstanding balances. Council decided not to make any changes at this time.

Fee Schedule Changes: The changes were made from the last meeting and given to Council for review. This will be adopted at the January Reorganization meeting.

<u>Marsy's Law Resolution</u>: This resolution supports victim's rights. A motion to accept the resolution was made by Jim Bergolios, 2nd by Scott Howell, votes 5-1, motion carried.

<u>Met-Ed Emergency Hotline</u>: Met-Ed sent a phone number to be used for an emergency when power is out at treatment facilities. This will be given to Derek to post at the treatment plant.

PA One Call Mapping: This could be useful to mark water lines so we do not receive as many messages to mark water lines when someone is going to dig. Council agreed and will discuss in the future.

Hill & Associates 2020 Fee Schedule: A copy was given to Council.

Door Handle for Post Office: USPS requested a handle be put on their double door at the end of the building. They have been using the key to pull on the door to open it which could break the key. Council asked Harry to install a handle for them.

PMCA Zoning & Inspection Report: A copy was given to Council to review.

Police Report: Chief Ogle reviewed the report with Council. He reported that Officer Babik pulled a car over and 2 out of the 3 people were wanted in Cumberland County.

Reported that Lane Hartley has not worked since August 27th. A complaint was received from a resident that night about his lights shining in their house for 3 hours. When the resident approached the car, they witnessed him sleeping and then he drove off. Mayor Riley explained that he spoke to Lane after he received the first letter and he thought he was going to make a good effort to work, but has not. The balance he owes to date is \$6645.00. Bob stated Cumberland Township is required by law to reimburse the money paid while Lane was in the Academy since they hired him prior to finishing the Academy. Mayor Riley hopes that this will not discourage Council to help send any other applicant thru the Academy since several others have been thru with no incidents. Bob suggested another letter be sent to Lane, signed by Mayor Riley with the balance owed with a copy also sent to Cumberland Township.

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

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

<u>Mike Riley</u>: Would like Council to consider budgeting for the purchase of an AWD vehicle for the Police Dept. A quote for a 2020 Chevy Traverse was received for \$29343 with a light bar and \$4000 trade-in was also given. Council agreed to consider the request.

Pete Stoner: Asked for someone to give out the apple cider for Trick or Treat. Council also discussed a rain date since there are storms possible. Rain date will be Saturday November 2, 2-4.

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Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report: A motion by Jim Bergolios, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated October 29, 2019, and accept the treasurer's report.

9:18 PM - At this time Council went into Executive Session.

9:25 PM - At this time Council returned to the regular meeting.

Tyrone Township WC: Bob reported that Tyrone Township made an offer of a settlement for the Worker's Comp renewal. Bob suggested we accept with the condition that if we find that they owe more they will pay the additional amount. A motion to accept this offer was made by Joe Saum, 2nd by Jim Bergolios, all in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment: The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 26, 2019, beginning at 7:00 pm at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306. There being no further business, on a motion by Jim Bergolios, 2nd by Joe Saum, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary