BENDERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 28, 2017

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

<u>Present:</u> President: Rick Kime, Vice President: Jim Patterson; Mayor: Robin Gochenauer; Council Members: Martha Schriver, Jim Bergolios, Dan Kuhn, Pete Stoner; Secretary: Andrea Rivera; Officer Dirk Hough; Owen McKinney; Bob Campbell

<u>Minutes:</u> Motion by Martha Schriver, 2nd by Jim Bergolios, all in favor, motion carried, to approve and accept the Minutes of the February 28, 2017 meeting.

<u>Snow Removal Complaint:</u> Council received a copy of a picture of the snow complaint at 142 Park St. Council felt the snow fell from the roof, however Martha has asked Mentzer's to push snow the other direction if possible.

AmeriHealth Casualty: Informed Council they were acquired by AmTrust Financial.

Tri-Star Ford of Tyrone: Council was not interested in keeping the information.

Emergency Declaration for County: Council needs to sign/return to the County Office.

<u>Fee Schedule Resolution:</u> Bob stated a resolution is needed each year for all fees. The resolutions need to be found and forwarded to Bob to review.

Assistant Secretary Position Update: PSAB and Bob Campbell were contacted regarding hiring Owen to do this position. PSAB recommended that Owen contact the State Ethics Commission for a determination. SEC recommended that he not take the position due to the conflict with handling money from taxes & water, making deposits or writing checks. Owen declined the position. Discussion continued and it was suggested that anyone contacted be specifically told again that it is a PT (as needed) Position and possibly 10 hours/month to keep refreshed after training. Two applicants will be contacted for interviews on April 12th at 7:00 & 7:30.

<u>Council Positions Available:</u> If a position is not accepted by a current Council Member then a write-in candidate on the ballot can accept the position.

Liquid Fuels Audit: The Auditor General's Office audited 2015 & 2016 and it went well.

<u>Check from New Oxford Social Club:</u> Chief Ogle sent a letter requesting the Club consider donating to the Boro Police Department as part of their annual donations. Mayor Gochenauer stated a law may possibly be passed that local police will be able to use radar and he would like to use the money to purchase a radar device. The money will be deposited into the Police Account.

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<u>Statement of Financial Interests Forms:</u> Council members were reminded that the forms are due by May 1st.

PMCA Code Enforcement Report: The report was available for review.

<u>Land & Sea Building/Zoning:</u> The inspection report was available for review.

<u>Police Report:</u> Officer Hough attended the meeting and gave the report.

Zoning Hearing Board Minutes: The minutes were available for review. Rick reported that the zoning board denied the sign structure.

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

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

<u>Dutka Property Update:</u> Owen reported the property was sold to a company that remodels and resells properties.

Clouse Property Update: Bob reported that the original sale did not occur due to the property having 2 mortgages and the buyer backed out. The property it needs to be sold as a free & clear sale. His office is getting a judgement on the larger lien and will assign the smaller lien to the Borough who will have combined liens of approximately \$21,000. Bob will petition the court to merge the liens to be sold. The sale will be advertised and since the municipality is pursuing it, it will be called an upset sale and won't get any bidders. Bob will then petition the court for a free & clear sale. The person who wanted to buy it the first time said he is willing to purchase again at this sale. Bob is hoping this sale will occur in May.

<u>Jim Bergolios:</u> Would like the property owner at Liberty & Park St to cut the pine tree back that is blocking the stop sign.

<u>Martha Schriver:</u> Reported that street sweeping is scheduled for April 10th and 11th at 7:00 AM. Mayor Gochenauer will have the police working. They will ticket and tow any cars that have not been moved. Rick will contact Dave's Auto to assist with towing.

<u>Rick Kime:</u> Reported that Baumgardner would be sending a bill for fixing 3 water shut off covers that the snow plow broke while plowing snow. When the bill is received it will be sent to the president of the Applewood HOA.

<u>Pay Bills and Treasurer's Report:</u> A motion by Jim Patterson, 2nd by Martha Schriver, all in favor, motion carried, to pay bills dated March 28, 2017, and accept the treasurer's report.

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<u>Adjournment:</u> There being no further business, on a motion by Jim Bergolios, 2nd by Pete Stoner, all in favor, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at 125B Rampike Hill Road, Bendersville, PA 17306.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea S. Rivera, Secretary