Bentleyville Borough Minutes
Tuesday, April 01, 2025
7:00PM at the Bentleyville Municipal Complex

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present were: Tom Brown, Stan Glowaski, Tim Jansante, Joe Patress, Tim Miller, Kara Shaw-Dearth, Joe Pigeon III, Joe Pigeon IV and Dennis Makel.

Council President Stan Glowaski asked for a moment of silence for all the members of the Bentleyville Community that have passed away.

Business from the Floor: None

Old Business:

A motion was made by Tom, seconded by Joe Patress, to approve the March 04, 2025 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Joe III, to advertise the roads to be paved. The motion carried.

New Business:

A motion was made by Joe IV, seconded by Kara, to allow Bentleyville Sedation Dentistry to use Richardson Park on Saturday, April 12, 2025 from 1:00PM to 3:00PM for an Easter egg hunt. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Joe Patress, seconded by Kara, to approve the Resolution for the PMRS Police Pension plan. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Stan, to open Richardson Park on May 01, 2025. The motion carried.

Other new business:

Secretary's Report: None

Animal Control Report: None

Code enforcement Report: Kerry gave his report

Engineers Report: None

Solicitor's Report: None

Mayor's Report: Mayor Jansante said there are quite a few people in attendance that are candidates for council, and would like to thank them for their interest. He also said there is a video going around about our police department and asked Chief Young to address it. Chief Young explained everything to council, showed photos and actual body cam video footage. This is pertaining to an older video that just went viral again with Don Wright. The video has been edited trying to make the officers look bad. Now the police department is receiving calls and threats from all over the country about this.

Chief Young reiterated that one of the problems is people in our town inciting division and posting things on their Facebook page. "What's Going on in Bentleyville" shared the edited video on their Facebook page and told people to show up at the meeting if they have questions. Chief Young said they are posting telling people to go to the meeting, but they are not in attendance at the meeting, so they are keyboard bullies trying to cause chaos. The same things they are accusing of, are what they are doing. Mayor Jansante said if he gets a call with a complaint about the police department, he tells them to go to the borough and fill out a formal complaint. Chief Young said if a formal complaint is filed and found not to be true, they will be prosecuted. President Glowaski thanked Chief Young for his good work in the community. Solicitor Makel said he advocated for body cameras; it is protection for both the public and the officers. Chief Young said another issue is the AI (artificial intelligence) which makes the body camera police video more crucial.

Committee Reports:

Building & Borough Properties – Tim Miller, Chair: There was discussion about the use of the Civic Center. Stan suggested the committee meet about this and set up criteria for renting the building.

Streets & Bridges – Joe Pigeon III, Chair: Joe said the gear box on the bucket truck needs fixed and the cost is $850.00. The boom truck needs inspected and the boom mower needs two front tires.

Police & Lights – Tom Brown, Chair: Tom said there are people parking in the handicap parking spaces in the borough parking lot. He asked Mayor Jansante to direct the police department to ticket the vehicles. Mayor Jansante and President Glowaski agreed.

Health & Sanitation – Kara Shaw-Dearth, Chair: Stan said Beallsville Road was cleaned up. Chief Young received a complaint from a resident that lives by Caramel Park claiming leaves were blown onto her yard from people working at the park. She was told by the workers to call the county if she had a complaint. Chief Young went to the resident's property, and believe they were FITS workers. Joe III said Joe Piasecki gets FITS workers to clean up before baseball season begins. Chief Young and the borough were unaware that they were working at our park. Chief Young will address this with Joe Piasecki.

Redevelopment – Joe Patress, Chair: None

Finance & Purchases – Joe Pigeon IV, Chair: None

Other Business:

A motion to pay the bills was made by Joe IV, seconded by Joe Patress. The motion carried.

A motion to accept the receipts was made by Kara, seconded by Joe IV. The motion carried.

A motion to Adjourn was made by Stan, seconded by Tim. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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