# BENTLEYVILLE BOROUGH MINUTES
## REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, December 2, 2014
7:00 pm at the Bentleyville Municipal Complex

The meeting was called to order by Stan Glowaski with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called with Stan Glowaski, Roy Larimer, Bill Jobes, Gary Damich, Bob Paul, Shannon Watson, Tim Jansante, Mayor Tom Brown, Dennis Makel and Secretary Sacco all being present.

**Business from the floor:**
Mr. Dan Gettings appeared again with questions regarding the Sanitary Authority. Mr. Makel assured Mr. Gettings that the Borough has contacted the Authority by letter to express the concerns.

Ms. Martha Nickerson from 246 Johnston Road, Bentleyville appeared to speak on issues regarding Orchard Alley which abuts her property. Mrs. Nickerson is concerned that the board has not taken her seriously. She is not an outsider. Mr. Makel spoke to Mrs. Nickerson on the facts that public and private interest are created when a paper alley is created. The statement of claim to property she received from the Sturchaks whose property also abuts Orchard Alley is simply a statement. It has no standing unless the borough passes an ordinance vacating that alley. There also needs to be a court order. Anyone who owns a lot along said alley, according to law, has an interest. Dennis will take a look at the paperwork and get back with Mrs. Nickerson. The secretary will make copies and forward them to Mr. Makel.

**It was moved by** Bill Jobes and seconded by Gary Damich to approve the minutes of Regular meeting on November 3, 2014. All were in favor.

**It was moved by** Roy Larimer and seconded by Tim Jansante to approve the Treasurer's Financial Report ending October 31, 2014. All were in favor.

**Unfinished Business:**

**There was a motion by** Tim Jansante, seconded by Bill Jobes to adopt the 2015 Budget and the 2015 Tax Rate Ordinance. All were in favor.

Mr. Makel will look at the bid specifications for the demolition 321 Main Street. Widmer Engineers had given us guidance on shoring up the wall to keep it from further deteriorating. Mr. Makel wanted to review the original bid to see if it was the contractors responsibility to shore up the wall or the Boroughs.

**New Business:**

The Borough received a letter from John Solomon requesting a hearing on the condemnation of 117 Main Street. Mr. Makel recommended continuing the current meeting until December 16, 2014 at which time the hearing would be conducted. Solicitor Makel will research whether there needs to be additional advertising and will notify the secretary.

**It was moved by** Gary Damich, seconded by Tim Jansante and all were in favor of re-subscribing to the PSAB Magazine for all Borough officials.
**It was moved by** Tim Jansante and seconded by Shannon Watson to approve and advertise the Schedule for Council Meetings for 2015. The meetings will be as follows:
Regular meetings will be the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., with the exception of the November meeting which will be held on Monday, November 2, 2015. Committee work sessions will be the 4th Monday and Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., as needed.

The Bentleyville Borough Planning Commission will hold work sessions the 3rd Monday at 7:30 p.m. and regular meetings on the 4th Monday at 7:30 p.m., as needed.

The Bentleyville Borough Recreation Board will hold regular meetings on the 1st Thursday at 6:30 p.m., as needed.

The Bentleyville Borough Zoning Hearing Board will hold regular meetings on the 1st Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., as needed.

All meetings will be held at the Bentleyville Municipal Complex, 900 Main Street, Bentleyville, PA.
All were in favor.

A letter from HMT announcing the addition of Kevin Wilmot, PE as their Manager of Civil Engineering was read.

AmeriHealth provided a quote for Worker's Compensation insurance for 2015 in the amount of $22,544.00. This is an increase of only $346 from last year and last year's quote did not include police. **It was moved by** Roy Larimer, seconded by Shannon Watson to accept the AmeriHealth as the Borough's Workers Compensation Insurance Carrier. All were in favor.

Borough Council acknowledged and thanked Rice Energy for the donation of a $3000 fresh water holding tank to be used by the Borough Road Crew to mix a brine solution for winter road maintenance.

A letter from John Kadash seeking reappointment on the PCSA was recieved. The new term would run from 1/1/15 through 12/31/19**. It was moved by** Tim Jansante, seconded by Roy Larimer to reappoint John Kadash to the board. Stan Glowaski believes that we should advertise for the position. A roll call vote was conducted:
Roy Larimer - aye, Bill Jobes - aye, Gary Damich - no, Stan Glowaski - no, Bob Paul - aye, Shannon Watson - no, Tim Jansante - aye. The motion carried.

The Borough needs to assign a new address for the CNG Filling Station on Wilson Road. 911's recommendation is 190 Wilson Road**. It was moved by** Gary Damich, seconded by Bill Jobes, all were in favor.

Neiswonger Construction is seeking to terminate the Heavy Hauling agreement that has been in place on Ames Road. They had initially paid a cash bond of $1250 and an escrow amount of $2500. To date, legal and engineering fees amounted to $1410.50. They are requesting a refund of their bond and the unused portion of their escrow. **It was moved by** Bob Paul and seconded by Shannon Watson to terminate the heavy hauling agreement. All were in favor.

Solicitor Makel will look into whether or not it is necessary for Bentleyville Borough to adopt the recommended Sewage Documentation Ordinance.

Art Blackburn will be unable to use 5 vacation days in excess of the 8 that he is permitted to carry over. He is requesting payment for those days as allowed for in the Teamsters agreement. It was moved by Bill Jobes, seconded by Roy Larimer and all were in favor of paying Art for those unused days.

Secretary's Report: None
Recreation Board Report: Christmas in the park will be held on December 6, 2014. All of council is invited and to attend and asked to participate.
Solicitor's Report: None
Mayor's Report: None
Committee Reports

Building & Borough Properties – Stan Glowaski, Chair
The Fire Department was having cracks in their parking lot sealed and paid to have the cracks in the Borough lot done at the same time.

Technology Committee – Bill Jobes, Chair Mr. Jobes reported that he is in the process of having three used computers donated to the Borough.

Zoning Report: Mr. Krider from HMT reported on November Code enforcement activity.

Streets & Bridges – Robert Paul, Chair

Police & Lights – Roy Larimer, Chair 45.96 for parking meters. Mr. Larimer announced that Representative Peter Daley made a donation of $500 to Bentleyville's Christmas Light Committee.

Health & Sanitation – Shannon Watson, Chair

Redevelopment – Gary Damich, Chair

Finance & Purchases – Tim Jansante, Chair

Animal Control Two Collies picked up, the owner surrendered them. Sam asked that the Borough consider a donation to Animal Rescue in Pittsburgh. Checking with our solicitor as to whether or not the Borough can make that donation.

**It was moved by** Roy, seconded by Bill to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel issues. They adjourned at 808pm.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:40pm.

**It was moved by** Roy Larimer to approve the proposed agreement with Chief Young to ammended to include sick and accident policy comparable to Teamsters. The motion was seconded by Shannon Watson. All were in favor.

**It was moved by** Tim Jansante to hire Michael Luketich as a per diem/part time road crew employee $12.00 per hour, seconded by Bob Paul. All were in favor.

Mayor Brown requested that the Borough advertisefor a part time officer to assist Chief Young. **It was moved by** Tim Jansante to advertise in the Observer Reporter for a part time Police Officer, the advertisement should request that candidates submit letters of interest, resumes and letters of certification no later than Noon on December 16, 2014. The motion was seconded by Roy Larimer. All were in favor. The secretary was directed to talk to Sara in Solicitor Makel's office about advertising.

**It was moved by** Bob Paul and seconded by Shannon Watson to pay the bills as presented. All were in favor.

**It was moved by** Bill Jobes, seconded by Gary Damich to accept the receipts for the month of November. All were in favor.

**It was moved by** Roy Larimer, seconded by Shannon Watson to continue the Regular Meeting of the Bentleyville Borough Council until December 16, 2014. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kimberly G. Sacco
Borough Secretary