Bentleyville Borough Minutes
Tuesday, February 04, 2025
7:00PM at the Bentleyville Municipal Complex

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

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

Council President Stan Glowaski asked for a moment of silence for the victims of the airplane crashes in Philadelphia, PA and Washington, DC, and for the passing of Ray Pscolka, a Bentleyville resident that was a member of the Water Authority for many years.

Business from the Floor: None

Old Business:

A motion was made by Joe Patress, seconded by Joe IV, to approve the January 07, 2025 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

Tom asked why the street department purchased another weed eater and a blower when they already had three of each. Joe III said John was using his own blower and they purchased one for him to use at the park. Joe III said the weed eater and blower was purchased out of the park account. Tom also questioned why the building is locked on the maintenance side of the Civic Center. Stan asked if we had a key. The secretary said there is a key in a signed, sealed envelope in her office. Stan said the key can be used, if needed.

New Business:

A motion was made by Tom, seconded by Stan, to appoint Richard Young to the PCSA Water Authority Board to fill Ray Pscolka's position, term ending June 30, 2027. The motion carried. Joe IV questioned if Chief Young is working, and gets called out on an emergency call from the water authority, what would happen. Chief Young explained it would be the same as the street supervisor getting called out on a fire call.

A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Tom, to approve the use of the borough streets for the Run for Alex being held on Saturday, June 07, 2025. The motion carried.

There was discussion about the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant. The borough would have to put up 15% for the grant. A motion was made by Joe III, seconded by Kara to authorize Kerry Krider to look into the grant for the borough and write a proposal. The motion carried.

Other new business:

Secretary's Report: Quarterly taxes, W-2's, 1099's and the 2023 Municipal Annual Audit and Financial Report are complete. There will be a Tri County Borough Association meeting in Marianna on Thursday, March 20, 2025.

Animal Control Report: None

Code enforcement Report: Kerry gave his report.

Engineers Report: Kerry said they are waiting for inspection of the Civic Center restrooms. Everything is done but the painting. He also said the county released another set of properties on the blight program.

Solicitor's Report: Solicitor Makel has the EQT bond for Main Street. A motion was made by Kara, seconded by Joe IV, to continue EQT's bond for the use of Main Street. The motion carried. Chief Young said there is a misplaced Fallowfield Township sign on Main Street that needs to be moved into Fallowfield Township, by the entrance to the EQT site. Solicitor Makel suggested that Chief Young call Fallowfield and ask them to move it. Chief Young also said we need to start getting some of the stop signs in place, we have over 50 stop signs that need to be erected. There was discussion about a company working on Beallsville Road for West Penn Power. They are replacing poles and wires and the electric is being shut off without notice. Stan said the residents should be notified when they are turning the electric off.

Mayor's Report: None

Committee Reports:

Building & Borough Properties – Tim Miller, Chair: None

Streets & Bridges – Joe Pigeon III, Chair: Joe said the restrooms at the Civic Center are almost done. He said one stall is very narrow, but doable. He also stated some of the parking meters were broken into and suggested cutting out the meters. Chief Young said there have been multiple vehicles that hit the meters and uprooted them. He said if any damage has been done to them, other than vehicles hitting them, nothing has been reported to the police. Stan would like to keep a meter for here, and possibly auction off the rest of them. A motion was made by Kara, seconded by Joe IV, to remove the meters. The motion carried. Joe said he has been receiving complaints over the past four months about garbage not being picked up. Chief Young questioned if the borough secretary or the health and sanitation chair was notified of the issues, and they were not. Joe also said the yellow tractor was fixed; it was still under warranty. We will only get a bill for the labor and travel time.

Police & Lights – Tom Brown, Chair: None

Health & Sanitation – Kara Shaw-Dearth, Chair: Clean-up Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 03, 2025 with a rain date of Saturday, May 10, 2025.

Redevelopment – Joe Patress, Chair: None

Finance & Purchases – Joe Pigeon IV, Chair: None

Other Business:

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

A motion to accept the receipts was made by Tom, seconded by Tim. The motion carried.

A motion to Adjourn was made by Joe IV, seconded by Joe Patress. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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