

Bentleyville Borough Minutes
Tuesday, June 03, 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 Pastor Andy Scott, Pastor from First Presbyterian Church, who passed away.

Business from the Floor:

Matt Kent of 219 Burkhart Street said Big's Sanitation did not pick up the garbage this week and has missed his road for the past month. The secretary will contact Big's to have the garbage picked up.

Terry Wise is looking to purchase property on Lincoln Avenue to put modular homes on. He asked what steps he needed to take and what permits were needed. Kerry Krider gave him his card.

Old Business:

A motion was made by Kara, seconded by Tim, to approve the May 06, 2025 meeting minutes. The motion carried. Joe III questioned why the solicitor's invoice was so high. The secretary explained the borough received several right to know requests, and the solicitor must handle them.

A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Joe IV, to amend the agenda to discuss the Civic Center and pavilion rates under the committee reports. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Joe III, seconded by Joe Patress, to increase Thomas Sprowls' hours from 32 hours to 38 hours per week. The motion carried.

New Business:

There has been a change of leadership with the youth baseball league. Council needs to know who is now handling the youth baseball league, and their usage of Caramel Park. Also, the keys will need to be turned in at the end of the season to the borough. Solicitor Makel said the borough needs to have an agreement with the baseball league, and they must provide their insurance. A continued meeting will be held on Monday, June 09, 2025 at 6:00PM to discuss the guidelines for Caramel Park.

A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Joe III, to approve the Noro consolidation plan. The motion carried.

Stan said the library needs support. He said they do fundraising, but it is difficult. The borough supports the library by making a \$300 monthly contribution. Stan is asking everyone to support the library, and to assist in anyway they can. Joe III suggested donating the old parking meters to them. Stan will talk to the library board members about the old parking meters.

A motion was made by Tom, seconded by Joe III, to approve Bentworth Youth Soccer Association to use Richardson Park for soccer camp from 6/23/25 to 6/25/25. The motion carried. We will also get the soccer association's insurance, and have them turn in their keys at the end of the season.

Stan said the Washington County Food Bank is now called Food Helpers, but they only distribute food once a month. Saint Katharine Drexel Parish now has a food bank. Stan said if anyone is not receiving support and needs food, he will leave forms so you can contact him.

Other new business:

Secretary's Report: None

Animal Control Report: None

Code enforcement Report: Kerry gave his report

Engineers Report: None

Solicitor's Report: Dennis suggested the borough get escrow agreements. Kerry Krider said the borough already has an escrow agreement in place.

Mayor's Report: None

Committee Reports:

Building & Borough Properties – Tim Miller, Chair: Tim said at the workshop, pricing was discussed for renting the Civic Center Hall and the pavilions. Tim would like to increase the rental prices. Tom said he would like to rent the building out to a catering service. Tim would like to have John and Diane there for the rentals and pay a flat rate of \$50 each. Chief Young said we would only need one person there to open and close the hall, and council agreed. After council had a detailed discussion, a motion was made by Kara, seconded by Joe III to set the Civic Center Hall rental rate to \$300, a \$100 refundable deposit if cleaned properly, \$30 for electric, \$25 for an alcohol permit and a \$50 flat rate for John or Diane (one or the other), to open and close. The motion carried. A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Tom, to increase the Civic Center pavilion rental to \$150, a \$50 refundable deposit if cleaned properly, \$30 for electric, and \$25 for an alcohol permit. The motion carried. A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Joe Patress, to set the large pavilion at Richardson Park rental rate to \$75, a \$50 refundable deposit if cleaned properly, \$30 for electric, and \$25 for an alcohol permit. The motion carried. Tim also mentioned he would like to put a small kitchen in the Civic Center Hall and would need to purchase a refrigerator, double sink, cabinets, and countertops. Solicitor Makel said quotes would need obtained for this, and can be discussed at the continued meeting on Monday, June 09, 2025. Kerry said we would need an occupancy permit before the hall can be rented. Tom said he does not think we need to install a kitchen. Joe III suggested getting some tables and purchase a used refrigerator. Tim also said he would like to support the library by letting them have their Grocery Bingo at the Civic Center Hall. This would be a monthly bingo. They would pay \$150 for the use of the hall and do all the cleanup. This will be on the agenda for the continued meeting.

Streets & Bridges – Joe Pigeon III, Chair: Joe said he would like to get copies of the photos in the borough building pertaining to Caramel Park for someone doing a second book about Caramel Park. He said FITS (Furlough Into Service Program, for non-violent offenders), will be here and they are going to paint the roof on the Mary Street shed. He also said the road department will be cleaning the streets preparing for the Run for Alex.

Police & Lights – Tom Brown, Chair: Tom said the police department purchased four speed trailers. He said they got a great deal on them spending around \$3,500 in total, and it was in the police budget. He said council needs to be careful about spending so much money.

Health & Sanitation – Kara Shaw-Dearth, Chair: Kara wanted to thank everyone that helped on clean-up day.

Redevelopment – Joe Patress, Chair: None

Finance & Purchases – Joe Pigeon IV, Chair: None

Other Business:

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

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

A motion to continue the meeting to Monday, June 09, 2025 at 6:00PM was made by Joe Patress, seconded by Tim. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tammy Stamm". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Tammy Stamm