

Bentleyville Borough Minutes
Tuesday, July 02, 2024
7:00PM at the Bentleyville Municipal Complex

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Stan Glowaski asked for a moment of thankfulness and silent meditation for the 248th Anniversary of United States of America this Thursday.

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.

Business from the Floor:

Wayne Nicholson of 212 Level Street asked about the garbage on Lincoln Avenue and the hedges on Level Street. Stan said Kerry with KLH Engineers will address this under his report.

Dave Molesky of 101 Washington Street asked for an update on the bamboo situation with his neighbor. Kerry said Jim with code enforcement will inspect the bamboo tomorrow.

Old Business:

A motion was made by Kara, seconded by Tom, to approve the June 04, 2024 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

Kerry with KLH Engineers said no money has been expended from the grant for the Civic Center Restrooms. Kerry said he will put this out to bid.

Kerry with KLH talked about the Blighted Properties, 104 Main Street, 150 Main Street, 118 Beallsville Road, 122 Railroad Street and 733 Mary Street. These properties were approved by the Redevelopment Authority to demolish. 707 Mary Street is another property that needs to be demolished, Kerry is waiting for that approval. Joe III said Jason Cole owns 104 Main Street and is doing repairs to the house and does not want it demolished. Kerry will send certified letters out to the owners of the properties and said they will need to sign the agreements for the properties to be demolished.

New Business:

Stan spoke with Joe Barbano with Teamsters about scheduling a meeting regarding the road crews contract expiring. Stan would like to schedule the meeting with Teamsters on August 19, 2024 or August 26, 2024 at 6:00PM. Stan said he will ask Joe with Teamsters what date works and will let council know.

Kerry with KLH said Coen has an existing above ground 5,000-gallon storage tank on Pilot Service Stations Lot and they want to reinstate the fuel tank. Kerry is checking into this. He said he emailed DEP but has not heard back from them.

Other new business:

Secretary's Report: None

Animal Control Report: None

Code enforcement Report: Kerry gave his report. Tom said there is an issue at 503 Washington Street. He said they put a refrigerator on the sidewalk and you cannot walk on the sidewalk. Kerry said he will check into this. 116 Lincoln Avenue is still not in compliance. Kerry suggested the borough pay to have Big's Sanitation pick up the garbage and lien the property. Chief Young said they are flipping this house and the garbage they have is not in bags or in cans and the garbage company will not pick up loose trash. Solicitor Makel suggested issuing a citation putting seven citations on each citation. Chief Young agreed with Solicitor Makel, to have KLH send another citation giving them seven or ten days to clean up the property. After the seven or ten days, if the property is not cleaned, they will be subject up to a \$600 fine per day. If they eventually do not comply, the borough could hire someone to clean up the property and lien the property. Kerry will send them a certified letter and another citation. Joe III said the billboard by Fox's Pizza was cleaned up today.

Engineers Report: None

Solicitor's Report: None

Mayor's Report: None

Committee Reports:

Building & Borough Properties – Tim Miller, Chair: Tim said Kara wants to purchase outdoor ceiling fans for the Civic Center Pavilion. Kara said the old fireplace is blocking the wind. Chief Young said he has had issues with the wind blowing things inside, he said the air does circulate. Stan suggested not purchasing the fans at this time.

Streets & Bridges – Joe Pigeon III, Chair: Joe said the streets were sealed. He said we have not received the backhoe yet, but Tammy sent the letter of intent to COSTARS.

Police & Lights – Tom Brown, Chair: None

Health & Sanitation – Kara Shaw-Dearth, Chair: None

Redevelopment – Joe Patress, Chair: None

Finance & Purchases – Joe Pigeon IV, Chair: None

Kerry with KLH said the LSA grant will be out in September. Tim would like to have a workshop about this to see what projects we would like to do.

Other Business:

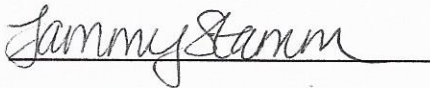
A motion to pay the bills was made by Tim, seconded by Joe IV. The motion carried.

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

Chief Young said the Independence Day Celebration will be this Saturday, July 6th starting at 2:00PM until about 10:30PM when the fireworks are over. There will be a car show from 2:00PM to 6:00PM, Sutch Performance is the sponsor. The first 100 cars will receive dash plaques, there will be trophies for best of show and people's choice. In Richardson Park starting at 2:00PM there will be the following: A DJ, two bounce houses, one for older kids and one for younger kids, face painting, hair tinseling and braiding, petting zoo that will have a wide variety of animals (6:00PM to 7:30PM), and a Police tent doing fingerprinting and DNA kits. Chief Young reached out to the fire department dealing with touch a truck. There will also be food and craft vendors. Chief Young would like to thank everyone for the donations that came in from all over the community helping to sponsor the event. Stan thanked Chief Young for taking the lead on this and for all his efforts.

A motion to Adjourn was made by Joe IV, seconded by Joe III. 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