

Bentleyville Borough Minutes  
Tuesday, August 06, 2024  
7:00PM at the Bentleyville Municipal Complex

Call to Order  
Pledge of Allegiance

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

**Business from the Floor:**

Jim Noro of 335 Main Street had questions about his lots on Main Street. Kerry with KLH said he would email him the necessary information.

Dave Molesky of 101 Washington Street wanted to thank everyone, especially Chief Young, for the Fourth of July Celebration. Mr. Molesky said he lived here all his life and it was the best fireworks display he ever saw. He also wanted to thank council for helping with the bamboo situation with his neighbor.

Cheryl Gordon of 226 Hill Street said she was not here but heard the fireworks were awesome. She is concerned with the garbage on the road at 116 Lincoln Avenue. She said school will be starting in a few weeks and something needs to be done. Council discussed the situation and decided to have the road department clean up the garbage using borough equipment and lien the property for the cost of the clean up. Chief Young will notify the homeowner that the property must be cleaned up by Tuesday, August 13, 2024, or the borough will do it and lien the property.

Lois Sheppard of 320 Rear Beallsville Road said they are still having problems with their address. She said they had a medical emergency and the ambulance could not find their house. Chief Young talked with Solicitor Makel and suggested naming the paper street to give them a proper address. Once the paper street is named, Ellsworth Borough would have to give them a street number. The borough would put a street sign up and Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard would have to contact Ellsworth for the street number. A motion was made by Joe III, seconded by Tim, to name the paper street Hawthorn Street, based on Penndot's approval. The motion carried.

**Old Business:**

A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Joe IV, to approve the July 02, 2024 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

Kerry with KLH said the Civic Center Restroom Project should be put out to bid next Monday, August 12, 2024.

**New Business:**

Joe III said the big older John Deere boom mower tractor needs repaired. The arm does not work and other repairs need to be made. A motion was made by Joe III, seconded by Joe Patress, to authorize the road department supervisor to take the tractor to Stephenson Equipment and get a quote for the repairs. The motion carried. Tom stated the borough must be careful with spending money because the magistrate is moving out, gas money is practically nothing, the stock market is down and the casino money has dropped off.

A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Kara, to have the Independence Day Celebration on July 05, 2025 using B & D Fireworks and authorizing Chief Young to start organizing it. The motion carried. Tom said Chief Young brought in \$15,000 in donations and said these were the best fireworks he has ever seen. He said Chief Young did everything himself, worked very hard organizing this event and should be appreciated for all that he did. Chief Young said he is thankful for the businesses in town that stepped up by donating, making the event a success. Joe Patress said this is the best car show he has seen and people raved about it.

A motion was made by Joe Patress, seconded by Kara to approve Bentworth Area Youth Soccer Association (BAYSA) to use Richardson Park for practices and games. The motion carried.

**Other new business:**

Secretary's Report: Quarterly taxes are filed and preparing for the year end audit.

Animal Control Report: None

Code enforcement Report: Kerry gave his report.

Engineers Report: Tim Miller wants to condemn the 823-825 Main Street buildings. Council discussed the matter and a motion was made by Tim, seconded by Kara, to initiate the process of condemnation of the buildings. The motion carried.

Solicitor's Report: None

Mayor's Report: None

**Committee Reports:**

Building & Borough Properties – Tim Miller, Chair: None

Streets & Bridges – Joe Pigeon III, Chair: Joe said the bucket and backhoe were worth the investment. They are using the equipment on a project at Richardson Park.

Police & Lights – Tom Brown, Chair: Tom said he appreciated Chief Young for all that he did for the Independence Day Celebration.

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

Redevelopment – Joe Patress, Chair: None

Finance & Purchases – Joe Pigeon IV, Chair: Joe had questions regarding insurance billing and payroll. Tammy explained the process.

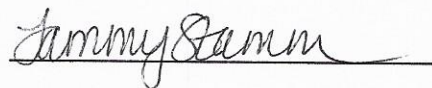
**Other Business:**

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

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,

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

Tammy Stamm