Bentleyville Borough Minutes Tuesday, January 03, 2023 7:00PM at the Bentleyville Municipal Complex

Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Stan Glowaski asked for a moment of silence for the police chief in Brackenridge that lost his life yesterday, for Pope Benedict and the victims of the floods in California and those who lost their lives in the storms out West.

Roll Call: Present were: Bob Paul, Stan Glowaski, Tom Brown, Tim Jansante, Roy Larimer, Gary Damich, Tim Miller, Joe Pigeon and Dennis Makel.

Business from the Floor:

Kathy Rakosky of Saulters Avenue wanted to thank Bob Paul for having the road crew clean the road from the washout they had from all the rain. Bob said the ditch needs to be cleaned out on Saulters.

A resident on Level Street asked if the road crew could plow the snow in the opposite direction so their cars aren't blocked in. Prudy Nicholson said there is a streetlight out on Acme Street near Pine Street.

A motion was made by Gary, seconded by Bob to have an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. The motion carried.

Old Business:

A motion to approve the December 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes was made by Tim, seconded by Gary. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the December 27, 2022 continued meeting minutes was made by Tom, seconded by Joe. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Roy, seconded by Stan to approve Delattre to repair the Borough's HVAC system. Roll Call of the votes: Bob: Nay, Stan: Yea, Tom: Yea, Roy: Yea, Gary: Yea, Tim: Yea, Joe: Nay. Tally of votes: 5 Yeas and 2 Nays. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Bob, seconded by Tim to have HMT/KLH handle the planning, zoning, inspection, etc. with Taco Bell, as advised by the Solicitor. The motion carried.

New Business:

A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Gary to pay the increased monthly health benefit for a Borough Employee. The amount was \$329 per month and increased to \$340 per month. The motion carried.

Other new business:

Secretary's Report: None

Animal Control Report: None

Code enforcement Report: Troy with HMT/KLH gave his report. Troy will be addressing a few properties that were brought to his attention.

Engineer Report: Kerry with Widmer Engineering said the grants got pushed back until January. He also talked about a dirt and gravel road program.

Solicitor's Report: None

Mayor's Report: None

Committee Reports:

Building & Borough Properties - Roy Larimer, Chair: None

Streets & Bridges - Bob Paul, Chair: Bob said we ordered two loads of salt.

Police & Lights - Tom Brown, Chair: None

Health & Sanitation - Tim Miller, Chair: None

Redevelopment – Joe Pigeon, Chair: Joe asked the amount of money that is going to be spent on the FOIA appeal regarding the pole camera. Mayor Jansante questioned Joe as to why he could not accept that the Mayor and the Police Committee reviewed the quotes that were necessary to purchase the pole camera. The mayor asked if Joe did not trust them with their verification. Joe replied don't you trust me. The mayor stated that sensitive information at executive sessions have been leaked in the past, and that is why the pole camera information is not to be shared. Tom stated that he did not want to know where the camera would be located and the mayor asked Joe why he wanted to know where the camera would be placed. Joe said he didn't want to know where the camera would be placed. The mayor asked Joe why West Penn Power was called regarding a pole camera at 901 Washington Street whereupon a work order was initiated by West Penn because of that call. Joe said he knew nothing about that call. Chief Young related that he spoke with West Penn Power subsequent to that call. Chief Young said there are records regarding the call and the caller identified himself as Joe Pigeon. Joe once again said he knew nothing about the call.

Stan asked Joe the progress on the sidewalks and Joe stated they are still on hold.

Finance & Purchases – Gary Damich, Chair: None

Other Business:

A motion to pay the bills was made by Roy, seconded by Bob. The motion carried.

A motion to accept the receipts was made by Bob, seconded by Gary. The motion carried.

A motion to Adjourn was made by Bob, seconded by Tom. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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