Bentleyville Borough Minutes Tuesday, March 07, 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 fire at the Bentleyville Apartments last month where Norman Detrick Jr. lost his life, along with his dog. Stan also thanked all of the fireman, police and EMS that helped during this terrible time and said the work that they did helped to save many other lives.

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

Business from the Floor:

Craig Tilbrook of 721 Main Street asked for a no parking zone on Washington Street. Tim Marodi said he would like that extended to Bentley Avenue. The Ordinance we have would need to be amended. This will be discussed under new business.

Taylor Knudson of 207 Burkhart Street said there is a lot of garbage on Burkhart Street. She asked for help to clean the road going up to the football field. Tim Miller will plan a cleanup day in the spring.

Old Business:

A motion to approve the February 07, 2023 regular meeting minutes was made by Gary, seconded by Tim. The motion carried.

New Business:

The planning commission had a meeting regarding the Erica Johnson consolidation plan, turning two lots into one lot and they suggest council should approve it. A motion was made by Gary, seconded by Roy to approve the plan. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Stan for the Christian Assembly of God Church to have their Easter Egg hunt at Richardson Park on April 8, 2023 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Bob, seconded by Tom for the Bentworth Youth Soccer Association (BAYSA) to use Richardson Park for practices and games starting 3/13/23 and ending 6/12/23. The motion was made with the exception of the date of April 8, 2023. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Bob, seconded by Roy to have fireworks on Saturday, July 01, 2023. Joe said JJ the DJ and Chuck's Brick of Fries contacted him because they are getting booked up. We need to get a quote from B&D Fireworks to do the fireworks show. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Gary, seconded by Bob to amend the agenda for the Ordinance to be updated for no parking on a portion of Washington Street. The no parking area will be on the south side of Washington Street from the intersection of Main Street to the end of the parking lot. The motion carried. A motion was made by Stan, seconded by Bob to advertise the amended Ordinance. The motion carried.

Other new business:

Secretary's Report: None

Animal Control Report: None

Code enforcement Report: Kerry gave his report. He also mentioned he needs to meet someone at Richardson Park Civic Center to get measurements for the restrooms. Bob Paul agreed to meet with Kerry.

Engineers Report: None

Solicitor's Report: None

Mayor's Report: Mayor Jansante said he was approached by a resident asking for Pittsburgh Road to be cleaned up. Also, the Historical Society would like to display framed photos that they have, and asked if they can be placed at Richardson Park Civic Center. Council agreed to allow the photos to be hung. Joe mentioned the wiring is old at the Civic Center and Mon Valley Technical School has students that do wiring at no cost, and there would be instructors there to monitor them. Stan said he would like to get quotes to update the wiring.

Mayor Jansante also wanted to address some rumors going around town concerning Police Chief Young that are not true. He said there were rumors that the Police SUV was in an accident and had excessive damage. What happened was a deer ran into the vehicle last November and caused minor damage. The second rumor was Chief Young illegally spent \$20,000 on cameras and they are throughout town. The mayor said there was a camera authorized to be purchased last October and it is a covert camera. Covert means that no one will know where they are placed so there is no way that someone can say there are cameras all over town. The third rumor was Chief Young is under a continual harassment investigation. The mayor explained that he would receive any complaints regarding the police department. No one has filed a harassment complaint against the Chief Young. Tom Brown said during the whole time he was mayor; he never received a complaint against Chief Young. Tom thanked the mayor for his support of the police department. Both he and President Glowaski said the police department is doing a great job.

Committee Reports:

Building & Borough Properties - Roy Larimer, Chair: None

Streets & Bridges – Bob Paul, Chair: Bob said the cover at the salt shed is getting bad and needs replaced. Stan asked Bob to check into the cost for repairs.

Police & Lights – Tom Brown, Chair: Tom said there have been inquiries about streetlights being out. They have been reported to West Penn Power but several haven't been fixed yet.

Health & Sanitation - Tim Miller, Chair: None

Redevelopment – Joe Pigeon, Chair: Joe said talked to the Redevelopement Authority about the sidewalks and they said they are waiting for HMT. Kerry with HMT said he talked to them and they will be issuing the permit. Joe said they will be replacing water lines on Main Street and they might do the work on night shifts to not interfere with traffic. Joe asked if Valley Hardware needed a permit to have craft shows on his property. Megan Patrick said that is private property and he does not need a permit.

Finance & Purchases – Gary Damich, Chair: None

Other Business:

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

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Stamm