Bentleyville Borough Minutes Tuesday, July 05, 2022 7:00PM at the Bentleyville Municipal Complex

Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Stan Glowaski asked for a moment of silence for all the losses of life this past month of Policemen and the lives lost in Illinois

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:

Prudy Nicholson of Level Street wanted to recognize T.J. Sprowls from the road department for how well he cleaned the Memorial area. She said it looks really nice.

Wayne Nicholson of Level Street said the fireworks were nice but they set up too close to the houses. He provided council with guidelines for shooting 4" firework tubes.

Martha Nickerson of Johnston Road wanted to clarify she is not closing her business. She will only be closed for two weeks in August and will reopen before school starts.

Lance Kavakich of Main Street made positive remarks regarding the Police Department's traffic control. Lance alleged his brother, Monkey, was behind all the animosity toward the Police Department. Lance alleged he overheard Monkey on a phone call, making disparaging remarks against the Police Department and the Mayor. Lance alleged the comments were made to a retired Washington County Police Chief. Lance said he can overhear Monkey's conversations due to Monkey's apartment over Lance's garage. Lance said he heard Monkey speaking to a council member trying to have the council member contact the ACLU and the media because he wants to get rid of the Police Department. Lance also said there are rumors going around that he is getting kickbacks from the Police Department to tow vehicles. Lance said allegations of kickbacks were untrue.

Lauren Kasula of Washington Street mentioned she had received a ticket for failing to stop at a stop sign. She said she disagreed with the citation, went to court, and lost. She said she paid the fine and moved on. Lauren said there is a need for a Police Department in Bentleyville, as over the years three children have been killed by vehicles in Bentleyville. Lauren said there was an issue with a speeding vehicle everyday on Washington Street. She said she contacted Mayor Jansante who then advised Police Chief Young of the situation. Chief Young responded that very day and observed the speeder, issued her a citation, and spoke with her. Lauren said that issue has been resolved thanks to the Police Department. She appreciated the fast response to her complaint as she was concerned for the safety of her children and the neighbor's children.

Old Business:

A motion to approve the June 07, 2022 regular meeting minutes was made by Gary, seconded by Bob. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Roy to approve the Fire Inspection Ordinance. The motion carried.

New Business:

A motion was made by Gary, seconded by Bob to add the Halloween Parade and Trick to Treat to the Agenda. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Roy to have the Halloween Parade on Saturday, October 29, 2022 at 1:00pm and Trick or Treat from 5:00pm to 6:30pm the same day. The motion carried.

Other new business:

Secretary's Report: None

Animal Control Report: None

Code enforcement Report: Troy gave his report.

Solicitor's Report: None

Mayor's Report: Tim sent letters to businesses in town requesting donations for fireworks. He said just under \$4,000 was received in donations. Tim also wanted to thank the Police Department and Fire Department for their diligence during the fireworks display.

Committee Reports:

Building & Borough Properties – Roy Larimer, Chair: Joe Pigeon said he has people coming to do community service the last Saturday and Sunday in July at the park. They will work on the buildings and the bleachers. He will also be meeting with Lowe's Heroes and needs a list of specific playground equipment needed for his meeting with them.

Streets & Bridges – Bob Paul, Chair: Bob said the paving project is finished and it looks good. He also said he met with an engineer from LTAP about the guide rail on Washington Street and it doesn't qualify so we cannot put a guide rail there.

Police & Lights - Tom Brown, Chair: None

Health & Sanitation – Tim Miller, Chair: Tim said there was a fire on Wood Street over the weekend and there are 55-gallon drums full of fluid and they don't know what is in the drums. He said they are not marked and way in the back of the property. Officer Davis said he spoke to Ron Sicchitano about this and the drums might be in Ellsworth's jurisdiction.

Redevelopment - Joe Pigeon, Chair:

Finance & Purchases - Gary Damich, Chair: None

Other Business:

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

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Stamm