

Borough of Ben Avon
7101 Church Avenue, Ben Avon, Pennsylvania, 15202
Minutes – Regular Council Meeting – May 19, 2009

Council Members Present

Todd Smith, Dan Herchenroether, Judy Konitsney, Ken Opiery, Jr., Lloyd Corder, Mark Colenbrander, Sue Weiss

Council Members Absent

None

Others Present

Ken Opiery, Sr., Mayor
Chuck Means, Borough Solicitor
Carmella Hallstein, Borough Secretary

Call to Order

Council President Ken Opiery called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Participation

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Mr. Herchenroether; Second: Mr. Smith; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2009 council meeting.

Engineer's Report

No Report

Financial Reports

Mrs. Konitsney presented the April 2009 revenue and expense report and the May 2009 accounts payable reports.

Motion: Mrs. Konitsney; Second: Mr. Herchenroether; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the April 2009 revenue and expense report as presented.

Motion: Mrs. Konitsney; Second: Mrs. Weiss; Motion carried by voice vote to approve the May 2009 accounts payable reports as presented.

Public Safety Report

No Report

Public Works Report

No Report

Resident and Community Relations Report

No Report

Mayor's Report

Mayor Opiery asked council to review information he received from a company that makes photo identification badges for employees.

Mayor Opiery stated that the Ben Avon volunteer firefighters were instrumental in pulling twenty-two people out of a burning building at a recent fire in Bellevue and he commended them for their efforts.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Micklos stated that representatives from the US Census Bureau are in the area registering addresses for the upcoming census.

Solicitor's Report

No Report

Fire Chief's Report

Chief Buckman presented the Fire Company's activity report for April 2009.

New Business

Mr. Smith stated that there are a lot of trees and shrubs in the borough that are hanging over the sidewalks and streets, making it difficult and potentially dangerous to walk or drive in certain areas. He stated that he would ask the code enforcement officer to send letters to the owners of the properties in question.

Mr. Smith asked if the borough had an ordinance that regulates the use of dumpsters, adding that some people are leaving dumpsters and trailers on the streets for extended periods. Mr. Regrut stated that the borough does not have an ordinance that regulates the use of dumpsters or portable storage units and suggested that one be drafted to address the issue.

Old Business

Mr. Herchenroether stated that a revised proposal from Hussar Cale Construction for repairs in the vacant space at the fire station building had been received and was available for review.

Adjournment

Motion: Mrs. Weiss; Second: Mrs. Konitsney; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmella Hallstein

Borough Secretary