

Borough of Ben Avon
7101 Church Avenue, Ben Avon, Pennsylvania 15202
Regular Meeting of Council – January 15, 2013
Minutes

Call to Order

Council President Lloyd Corder called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members Present

Rob Galbraith, Michael Bett, Earl Bohn, Lloyd Corder, Richard White, Brian Tokar, Sue Weiss

Council Members Absent

None

Others Present

Chuck Means, Solicitor

Ed McGee, Engineer

Mike Dufresne, Emergency Management Coordinator

Carmella Hallstein, Secretary

Jim Rupert, Chief; Ben Avon Volunteer Fire Department

Norbert Micklos, Chief; Ohio Township Police Department

Public Participation

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Mr. White; Second: Mr. Galbraith; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2012 council meeting.

Engineer's Report – *Report given by Ed McGee, Engineer*

Motion: Mr. White; Second: Mr. Tokar; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to authorize preparation of the bid specifications and advertisement of the Breading Avenue reconstruction project.

Financial Report - *Report given by Brian Tokar, Chair*

Motion: Mr. Tokar; Second: Mr. White; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the December 2012 accrued accounts payable report as presented, authorizing payments of \$32,485.98 from the general account and a payment of \$273.31 from the parks and recreation account.

Motion: Mr. Tokar; Second: Mr. White; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the December 2012 add-on accounts payable report #2 as presented, authorizing payments of \$2,649.95 from the general account.

Motion: Mr. Tokar; Second: Mr. White; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the January 2013 accounts payable reports as presented, authorizing payments of \$78,899.30 from the general account.

Intergovernmental Cooperation Report – No Report

Administration Report – Report given by Richard White, Chair

Motion: Mr. White; Second: Mr. Bett; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve an addendum to the commercial Lease Agreement by and between the Borough of Ben Avon and the YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh (North Borough Branch) for a period of one year commencing January 1, 2013 and ending December 31, 2013.

Mr. White requested an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations.

Public Works / Building and Property Report – No Report

Public Safety / Strategic Projects Report – Report given by Michael Bett, Chair

Fire / Public Affairs Report – Report given by Earl Bohn, Chair

Property Maintenance and Code Enforcement Report – Report given by Sue Weiss, Chair

Mayor’s Report – No Report

Emergency Management Report – Report given by Mike Dufresne, EMC

Police Chief’s Report – No Report

Fire Chief’s Report – Report given by Jim Rupert, Chief; Ben Avon Volunteer Fire Department

Tri-Borough Joint Planning Commission Report – No Report

Solicitor’s Report – Report given by Chuck Means, Solicitor

Mr. Means requested an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing legal matters.

New Business

Ordinance No. 760

Motion: Mr. White; Second: Mr. Tokar; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to advertise Ordinance 760, which confirms the millage rate for collection of ad valorem real estate taxes for year 2013 as set by Ordinance 759.

Old Business

None

Executive Session

Motion: Mr. White; Second: Mrs. Weiss; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to recess to Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations and legal matters.

Motion: Mr. Galbraith; Second: Mr. White; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to Regular Session at 9:05 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion: Mr. White; Second: Mrs. Weiss; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmella Hallstein

Borough Secretary