

**Borough of Ben Avon**  
**7101 Church Avenue, Ben Avon, Pennsylvania 15202**  
**Regular Meeting of Council – November 13, 2018**  
**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

President, Jennifer Bett, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Council Members Present**

Jennifer Bett, Michele Boyd, Henry Casale, Megan Dolan, and Ken Opiery, David Stoeckle

**Council Members Absent**

Earl Bohn

**Others Present**

Melanie Holcomb, Mayor  
Joe Hanny, Chief, Ohio Township Police Department  
Dale Regrut, Public Works Foreman  
Theresa Patsch, Borough Secretary

**Public Participation**

None

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion: Henry Casale; Second: David Stoeckle; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve minutes of the October 16, 2018 Council meeting.

**Approval of Pre-Council Minutes**

Motion: Mr. Casale; Second: Mr. Stoeckle; Motion carried by voice vote to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2018 Pre-Council meeting.

**Financial Report - Report given by Ken Opiery**

Motion: Mr. Opiery; Second: Mr. Casale; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the financial reports as presented for October 2018.

Motion: Mr. Opiery; Second: Mr. Casale; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the accounts payable for \$63,345.51 for October 2018.

**2019 Budget**

Motion: Mr. Opiery; Second: Ms. Boyd; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to advertise the 2019 budget in The Citizen for public review.

**Ordinance 788 – 2019 Tax Rate**

Motion: Mr. Pipery; Second: Mr. Casale; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to advertise the 2019 Tax Rate Ordinance 788 in The Citizen for public review.

**Administration Report** – *No Report given*

**Public Affairs / Communications Report** – *Report given by President Jennifer Bett*

Ms. Bett stated a photographer will be present at the December 4 council work meeting to take pictures for the Ben Avon website. Updates to the website are ongoing.

Ms. Bett also reported that Savvy Citizen counts 38 residents now enrolled and efforts are underway to distribute additional promotional materials at upcoming borough events, with additional posts planned on Next Door Ben Avon.

**Public Safety/Code Enforcement Report**– *Report given by David Stoeckle*

Mr. Stoeckle reported meeting with Borough Secretary, Terrie Patsch, to review the resident complaint/concerns spreadsheet. Many of the complaints have been resolved. There were several items that require additional review.

Ms. Holcomb referred to a recent resident concern about lighting at the intersection of Monitor Avenue and Brighton Avenue which was the site of a recent pedestrian accident. A suggestion was made to install a stop sign, however a traffic assessment would need to be performed. This intersection also involves Avalon Borough, and Ms. Holcomb will follow with them.

**Public Works Report** – *Report given by Ken Pipery*

Mr. Pipery reported that the contractor for the road work has reviewed the punch list of requested repairs, however weather has been a factor in resolving these issues. While many items will wait until spring to be addressed, weather permitting, the ponding at Brighton Road and Belle Reviere will hopefully be addressed this year.

**Bid of CD44-ADA Ramp Improvement**

Motion: Mr. Pipery; Second: David Stoeckle; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to accept the low bid by Depasquale Construction Services, LLC of \$24,268.00 received through the QV COG for the DCED Grant.

**Stormwater Ordinance No. 787**

Motion: Mr. Pipery; Second: Ms. Boyd; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to advertise the Stormwater Ordinance No. 787 for passage in December.

**Quaker Valley COG Report** – *No Report Given*

Ms. Dolan stated there was no October meeting for the delegates with the next meeting scheduled November 28, 2018.

**Mayor's Report** – *Report given by Melanie Holcomb*

Mayor Holcomb reported the annual Block Party on Prospect Avenue was a success and there were no complaints from residents.

Ms. Holcomb also reported that her inquiry of Hometown Press as a vendor for welcome packets was favorable, and Ms. Bett will follow with their representative for more information.

Ms. Holcomb stated the Deck the Borough Hall celebration is falling into place for Saturday, November 24 from 6 to 8 p.m. Carriage rides are planned, and a local donation will cover much of the expense for the carriage rental. Volunteers are welcome to assist at the event.

**Police Chief's Report** – *Report Given by Chief Joe Hanny*  
See Attachment A.

**Fire Chief's Report** – *Report Given by Mayor Melanie Holcomb*  
Ms. Holcomb reported following a request by the Fire Chief, Jim Rupert, to install a wall inside the fire hall to reduce fumes and noise during meetings and activities. Mr. Opipery and members of council asked that an engineering design be presented to aid in the decision-making process.

**Solicitor's Report** – *No Report Given*

**New Business**

**Old Business**

**Adjourned to Executive Session**

Motion: Mr. Opipery; Second: Mr. Casale; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:35 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Opipery; Second: Mr. Stoeckle; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene Regular Session at 7:45 p.m.

**Motion to Accept Resolution 2018-07**

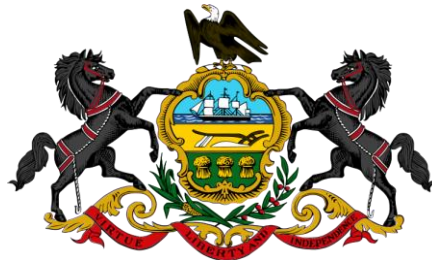
Motion: Mr. Opipery; Second: Mr. Stoeckle; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adopt Resolution 2018-07 recognizing the outstanding leadership and dedication of Mr. Dale Regrut on his 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the Public Works Department for the Borough.

**Adjournment**

Motion: Mr. Stockle; Second: Mr. Casale; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Ferrie Patsch*  
*Ben Avon Borough Secretary*

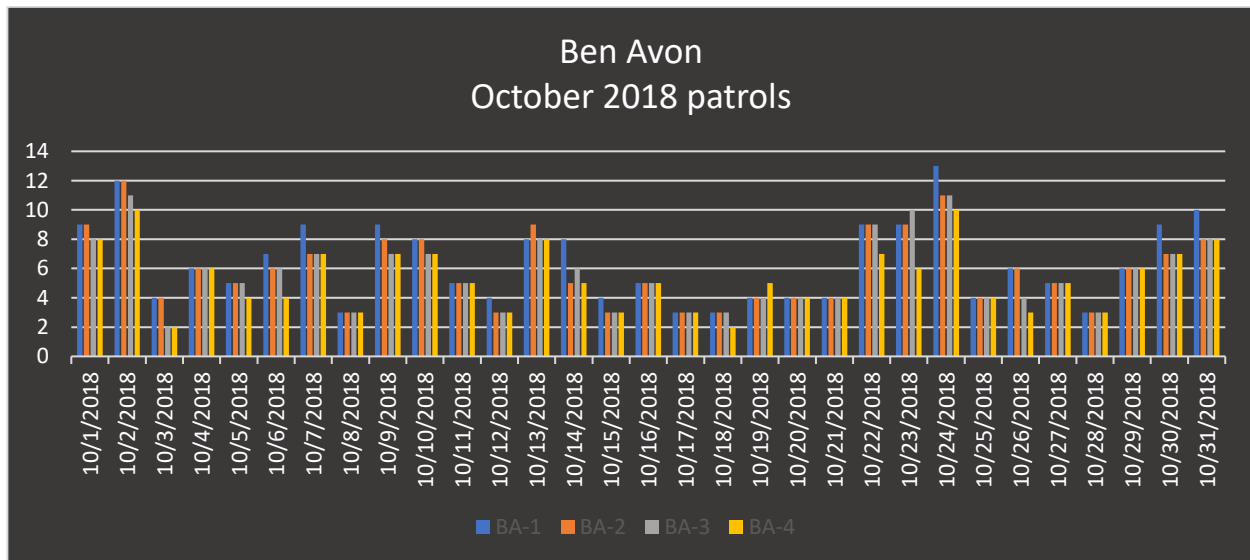


# OHIO TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Established 1803*

Allegheny County, Pennsylvania  
126 Lenzner Ct, Sewickley, Pa. 15143

## BEN AVON PATROLS FOR OCTOBER 2018



## TOTALS TO DATE

Total patrols – 6621

BA-1 1774

BA-2 1697

BA-3 1624

BA-4 1526

<u>CODE</u>	OCT COUNT	YTD COUNT
0501 - ALARM - RESIDENCE	5	28
0503 - ALARM - BUSINESS	0	2
0619 - THEFT-\$200 & OVER-ALL OTHER	0	1
0633 - THEFT-UNDER \$50-RETAIL THEFT	0	1
0634 - THEFT-UNDER \$50-FROM AUTO (EXCEPT 0635)	0	1
0637 - THEFT - UNDER \$50 - FROM BUILDINGS	0	2
0639 - THEFT-UNDER \$50-ALL OTHER	0	3
0690 - THEFT - REPORTS	1	2
1100 - FRAUD	1	2
1410 - CRIMINAL MISCHIEF TO AUTOMOBILES	0	6
1490 - CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - REPORTS	1	6
1810 - DRUG VIOLATIONS	1	18
1921 - GAMBLING - NUMBERS & LOTTERY - OPERATING	0	1
2020 - OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY-CHILD ABUSE	0	2
2112 - DRIVE UNDER INFLUENCE-ALCOHOL-IMPAIRED	0	4
2122 - DRIVE UNDER INFLUENCE - DRUGS-IMPAIRED	0	1
2300 - PUBLIC DRUNKENESS	0	4
2390 - DRUNKENESS - REPORTS	1	1
2400 - DISORDERLY CONDUCT	1	1
2410 - HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION	0	5
2440 - DISORDERLY CONDUCT-DISTURBING THE PEACE	0	12
2450 - HARASSMENT	0	6
2626 - FALSE FIRE ALARM	2	3
2633 - DUMPING	1	5
2634 - FIRE CODE (ORDINANCE VIO.)	1	2
2640 - ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	1	2
2647 - PFA-PROTECTIVE ORDERS	0	11
2656 - THREATS	2	2
2660 - TRESPASSING OF REAL PROPERTY	0	2
2800 - TWP ORD-SOLICITING	0	3
2810 - TWP ORD-ABANDONED VEH (INCLUDING STATE)	1	3
2890 - CURFEW & LOITERING (JUVENILE) - REPORTS	0	2
3000 - FOUND/RECOVERED PROPERTY	1	2
3100 - MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	1	9
3300 - SUICIDES	0	1
3400 - MENTAL HEALTH	2	16
3500 - SUSPICIOUS PERSONS	0	5
3502 - SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES	1	13
3600 - DISTURBANCES-DOMESTIC	2	10
3610 - DISTURBANCES-JUVENILE	0	1
3620 - DISTURBANCES-OTHER (FIGHTS, DISPUTES, ETC)	0	7
3820 - DISABLED VEHICLE	4	28
3840 - FIRES (INCLUDING ALARMS-FOUNDED/UNFOUNDED)	0	15
3850 - HAZARDOUS CONDITION/ NOT SNOW RELATED	0	5
3855 - ROAD DEPARTMENT CALL OUT	0	12
3860 - LOCKOUTS (VEHICLE/BLDG)	0	8

