

Borough of Ben Avon
7101 Church Avenue, Ben Avon, Pennsylvania, 15202
Minutes – Regular Council Meeting – October 21, 2008

Council Members Present

Dan Herchenroether, Judy Konitsney, Ken Opipery, Lloyd Corder, Mark Colenbrander, Sue Weiss

Council Members Absent

Todd Smith

Others Present

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

Call to Order

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

Public Participation

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Mrs. Weiss; Second: Mr. Herchenroether; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2008 council meeting.

Engineer's Report

No Report

Financial Reports

Mrs. Konitsney presented the September 2008 revenue and expense report and the October 2008 accounts payable reports.

Motion: Mrs. Konitsney; Second: Mr. Herchenroether; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the September 2008 revenue and expense report as presented.

Motion: Mrs. Konitsney; Second: Mrs. Weiss; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the October 2008 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

No Report

Police Chief's Report

No Report

Solicitor's Report – *report given by Chuck Means*

The joint zoning ordinance is close to completion and will be sent to the County for review. Mr. Means requested an executive session to discuss the Karn lawsuit and the West View Water pavement damage matter.

Fire Chief's Report

Chief Buckman presented the Fire Company's activity report for September 2008.

Chief Buckman stated that the volunteer fire department would host its annual haunted house at the fire station on October 31 from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., noting that Church Avenue would be closed between Dalzell and Breeding from 5:30 p.m. until 9 p.m.

New Business

Bookmobile

Mr. Pipery, Jr. stated that the cost for one hour of bookmobile service per week would increase from \$8,820 to \$9,115 in 2009. He stated that residents from other communities, primarily Emsworth and Ben Avon Heights, are using this service. Mr. Pipery, Jr. stated that Ben Avon sent letters to Emsworth and Ben Avon Heights last year requesting assistance to fund the service, adding they each contributed an amount equal to their community's percentage of use. He stated that a letter requesting funding assistance for 2009 would be sent to both communities.

Old Business

None

Executive Session

Motion: Mr. Herchenroether; Second: Mrs. Weiss; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss the Karn lawsuit and the West View Water pavement damage matter.

Motion: Mr. Herchenroether; Second: Mrs. Weiss; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to Regular Session at 8:45 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Herchenroether; Second: Mrs. Konitsney; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmella Hallstein

Borough Secretary