

Borough of Ben Avon
7101 Church Avenue, Ben Avon, Pennsylvania 15202
Regular Meeting of Council – October 20, 2015
Minutes

Call to Order

Council Vice President Richard White called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members Present

Michael Wrbas, Richard White, Philip Brind'Amour, Ken Opiery

Council Members Absent

Julian Wynnyckyj, Earl Bohn, Michael Bett

Others Present

Robert Jones, Mayor

Anne Sweeney, Solicitor

Dale Regrut, Public Works Foreman

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. Brind'Amour; Second: Mr. Wrbas; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2015 council meeting.

Financial Report - Report given by Ken Opiery, Co-Chair

Motion: Mr. Opiery; Second: Mr. Wrbas; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the September 2015 financial reports as presented.

Motion: Mr. Opiery; Second: Mr. Wrbas; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the October 2015 accounts payable reports as presented, authorizing payments of \$76,223.95 from the general account and payments of \$71,834.27 from the capital improvement account.

Administration Report – No Report

Public Works / Building and Property Report – Report given by Ken Opiery, Co-Chair

Public Safety / Code Enforcement Report – No Report

Public Affairs Report – No Report

Mayor's Report – *Report given by Robert Jones, Mayor*

Mayor Jones stated that he wanted to recognize the two Ohio Township police officers who were responsible for solving the recent burglary case in the borough. He presented and read letters of commendation for Officer Ryan Ging and Detective Joseph Hanny. See Exhibit A and Exhibit B.

Police Chief's Report – *No Report*

Fire Chief's Report – *No Report*

Tri-Borough Joint Planning Commission Report – *Report given by Scott Keener*

Solicitor's Report – *No Report*

New Business

Resolution No. 2015-08

Motion: Mr. Brind'Amour; Second: Mr. Wrbas; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adopt Resolution No. 2015-08, which authorizes disposal of borough records in accordance with Act 428 of 1968 and the Municipal Records Manual.

Executive Session

Motion: Mr. Wrbas; Second: Mr. Brind'Amour; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss personnel and contract issues.

Motion: Mr. Brind'Amour; Second: Mr. Wrbas; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene Regular Session at 7:43 p.m.

Old Business

NorthWest EMS Service Agreement

Motion: Mr. Brind'Amour; Second: Mr. Wrbas; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to approve an Emergency Medical Service Agreement by and between the Borough of Ben Avon and NorthWest EMS for a term beginning October 20, 2015 and ending June 30, 2021.

Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Wrbas; Second: Mr. Brind'Amour; Motion carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmella Hallstein

Borough Secretary



Robert B. Jones

Mayor Ben Avon

To all whose presence shall come. Be it known that;

RYAN GING has served as a police officer for the Ohio Township Police Department and in the Borough of Ben Avon.

AND WHEREAS:

While he was investigating a burglary in Ben Avon he exhibited dogged determination; astounding skill; and true police professionalism.

AND WHEREAS:

He has often used his own ingenuity and skill to solve many crimes committed in and around this borough.

AND WHEREAS:

Because of this man's efforts the thief was apprehended; incarcerated; and removed from our streets.

AND WHEREAS:

This officers' actions are a benchmark that other police officers can only strive to emulate; his many selfless and untiring efforts and continuous contributions to our neighborhood should not go un-noticed by this governing body; the community; and myself.

IT IS NOW THEREFORE:

With deep appreciation and pride on this 20th day of October 2015; that I take this opportunity; on behalf of this Council and all of the residents of Ben Avon; to thank Ryan for his dedication and service to our community; and present him with this written commendation and a declaration of our thanks for an outstanding job of community service and a job well done!

We all wish him good health, safety in his work, and hope that he might see fit to continue to serve the Ohio Township Police Department for many years to come! I am proud to be the Mayor of this Borough because of officers like this man; and I am proud to call him a friend!

Robert B. Jones

Mayor
Borough of Ben Avon

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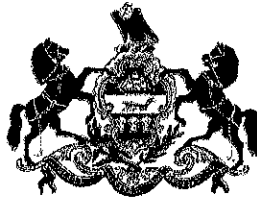
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To all whose presence shall come. Be it known that;

DETECTIVE JOSEPH HANNY *has served as a police officer for the Ohio Township Police Department and in the Borough of Ben Avon.*

AND WHEREAS:

While he was investigating a burglary in Ben Avon he exhibited dogged determination; astounding skill; and true police professionalism.

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IT IS NOW THEREFORE:

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