

Borough of Ben Avon Heights

Tuesday May 12, 2015 - Council Meeting Minutes

The meeting of council was held at Shannopin Country Club at 7:00 P.M.

A quorum is in attendance

Present:

Council Members: Berardi (7:46), Cuteri, Davis, Isherwood, Keelan, Kolenda

Mayor: Dismukes

Solicitor: Vogel

Ohio Twp. Police: Micklos

Lennon Smith Souleret: Firek

Secretary/Treasurer: Raves

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Mr. Davis:

1. Vote to approve April Minutes: Mr. Cuteri ***made a motion*** to approve the April Minutes as presented to Council earlier by E-mail. Mr. Kolenda seconds the motion. ***The motion passed unanimously.***
2. Vote to approve the April Treasurer's Reports: Mr. Cuteri ***made a motion*** to approve the April Treasurer's Report submitted previously by email to Council. Mr. Isherwood seconds the motion. ***The motion passed unanimously.***
3. Police Report: Alarm, Drug Charges, Harassment (Facebook Issue), Tree down.
4. Fire Report: Hand delivered to meeting, the Chief had another meeting at the same time. The only issue was a tree down at the bottom of Cambridge.
5. Public Comment: No public in attendance.
6. Courtney Mill Road Discussion: Mr. Davis met with representatives from Kilbuck Township to look at the roadway on Wednesday May 6th. West View Water is waiting for information from Kilbuck Township to proceed with replacement of their line along that roadway which is owned by both BAHB and Kilbuck. (The border runs down the length of the roadway till a point around the far end of the paddle courts then cuts up toward the clubhouse.) Mr. John Fader requested a copy of our Ordinance regarding street openings. Mrs. Raves will forward that information. Discussion took place regarding the fact that Kilbuck Township has asked BAHB to send a joint letter to West View Water outlining the requirements of their work along that stretch of roadway. Mr. Davis noted that the roadway is moving and without drainage the area will continue to degrade.
7. Engineer's Report: The ACO: Per Council's request O&M Plan required 20% of our manholes to be visually inspected this year. LSSE did complete this work; however, could not find two of the manholes located in the wooded area behind 49 Wilson Drive. At a later time the Borough will need to locate these manholes or verify that they do not exist. Mr. Firek will provide a budget figure for the 2016 Budget to explore for these manholes. At this time, our 2015 O & M

requirement has been fulfilled. Mayor Dismukes asked if there were GPS coordinates for the manhole covers... Mr. Firek will look into this matter. Mr. Cuteri stated he would like to see the map. Mrs. Raves has these drawings so he can see them.

2015 Roads: Mr. Firek reported that the Bonds and insurance papers from T.A. Robinson were submitted; however, they were wrong so they had been returned. Mr. Firek will schedule a Pre-Construction meeting to prompt the contractor to move things along.

Mayor Dismukes asked how far along the documents were for the additional work along Wilson and Oxford Roads. Mr. Firek stated that they would be sending digital drawings to West View Water for their work.

8. AIM Loan Submission Review: Mr. Vogel reported that we had received DCED approval this afternoon for the loan and the package was being prepared to be submitted back to the A.I.M. office. Mr. Dismukes asked Mrs. Raves to contact Mrs. Angie Hicks to verify if we could apply for another loan in the near future.

9. Park Rules: Mr. Cuteri ***made a motion*** to approve the Park Rules as submitted by the Park's Committee distributed to Council by email. Mr. Kolenda seconds the motion. ***The motion passed unanimously.***

10. Street Sign Replacement Project: Mayor Dismukes made it clear that he feels the replacement of the roadway signs is of great importance as a public safety issue. Mrs. Raves stated that she had been communicating with Lake Shore Industries regarding the possibility of their cast aluminum signs meeting the necessary requirements. (At this time that does not seem to be possible.) Council asked Mrs. Raves to work with other sign companies to get this matter moving. Mr. Cuteri stated that he would forward the name of a sign manufacturer who would provide assistance with the graphics for the signs.

Council discussed the possibility of having residents vote on the signs regarding the color selections as well as the poles that will support them.

Mrs. Raves will bring the sample signs that she has at home for Council to see next month.

11. Council entered into Executive Session at 8:15 PM

Note: Mr. Davis left the meeting during Executive Session.

The meeting resumed at 8:51 PM.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. ***The motion passed.***

This meeting adjourned at 8:52 P.M.

The next monthly meeting is Tuesday June 9th, 7:00 at Shannopin Country Club.

Submitted by Denise Raves, Secretary