

## Borough of Ben Avon Heights

### Tuesday, May 10, 2016 - Council Meeting Minutes

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

#### A quorum is in attendance

#### Present:

Council Members: Berardi, Cuteri, Davis, Eadie, Isherwood

Mayor: Dismukes

Solicitor: Vogel, Tucker Arensberg

Engineer: Firek, Lennon Smith Souleret

Avalon Fire Chief: Carney

Ohio Twp. Police Chief: Micklos

Secretary/Treasurer: Raves

Residents: Phyllis Colaianni – 9 Canterbury, Bryan Robertson – 4 Kent

Mr. Davis began the meeting at 7:02 PM.

1. Vote to approve April Meeting Minutes: Mr. Cuteri ***made a motion*** to approve the April Meeting Minutes as presented to Council earlier by E-mail. ***Mr. Isherwood seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***
2. Vote to approve the April Treasurers Report: Mr. Isherwood ***made a motion*** to approve the March Treasurer's Report that was submitted to Council by email. ***Mr. Berardi seconds the motion.*** Mr. Cuteri questioned why the overall budget was \$900,000. Mrs. Raves noted that the \$400,000 anticipated loans for the 2016 roadway improvements were in the overall budget. ***The motion passed unanimously***
3. Fire Report: Chief Carney stated that there was no report.
4. Police Report: Chief reported that other than the usual items to report that several trees were reported down. Mrs. Raves questioned the solicitation permits that were issued earlier in the week; it seems that they approached homes that are on the no solicitation list, was that list distributed to the soliciting parties? The Chief stated that they were given that list and that a homeowner can and should call the police immediately if that was to happen in the future because the permits could be revoked immediately.
5. Engineer's Report: ACO - The engineering firm conducted night flow metering of the sewer lines and are currently analyzing the data but it appears that the sewer lines are dry. Mr. Firek stated that this project can be used as a demonstration project.

4 Kent Road sewer line hookup. Bryan Robertson, 4 Kent Road, was in attendance to see if there was anything he should be doing in regards to moving this project along. Mr. Firek reviewed the system flow that the paperwork will need to progress through for him to continue with the sewer line hook up... and at this time there is nothing that Mr. Robertson needs to do.

Mr. Robertson questioned what an easement on this sewer line would mean to him; Mr. Vogel noted that since this is a private line in the roadway (under a public right-of-way) it was necessary. The easement will need to be conveyed with the property in the future and that PA One Call notifications will need to be noted as well. It will also help everyone in remembering that the line is there and to protect the owners of 21 Wilson whose property the line will parallel. Mr. Vogel gave Mr. Robertson a copy of the easement for his review.

It was brought to our attention in the last few weeks that a section of our sewer line extends into Avalon Borough.

2016 Roadway project was bid with only one successful bid submission from Shields Asphalt Paving, Inc. The bid was considerably higher than was estimated by the engineer's office. Council instructed the engineer to rebid the project. Mr. Davis asked for the advertisement so he could distribute to companies in order to try to obtain additional bidders.

6. Public Comment: Phyllis Colaianni – 9 Canterbury was present questioning when Canterbury Road will be paved. Mayor Dismukes noted to her that the roadways were evaluated by the engineer's and prioritized years ago and at this time that portion of road is not scheduled to be paved. Ms. Colaianni requested that the potholes at least be filled. Council agreed to have them filled ASAP. Mrs. Raves noted that Avalon has been asked to paint a yellow center line on that road to help slow traffic.
7. Ordinance No. 332: Mr. Cuteri ***made a motion*** to adopt Ordinance 332 revising Ordinance 310 as advertised. ***Mr. Isherwood seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously***
8. Resolution 2016-03: Mr. Cuteri ***made a motion*** to adopt Resolution 2016-03 for adoption of standard details and utility trench details to support Ordinance No. 332 provisions on site restorations after street openings or excavations. ***Mr. Isherwood seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***
9. Park Improvements: Mr. Cuteri reviewed the new tree planting and tree removal plans with Walt's Landscaping, the successful bidder, and they have begun the work. Mr. Cuteri noted that he would get the fountain design moving. Mrs. Raves noted that a bid was received from Bethlehem Wire & Fence Company to repair the holes in the tennis court fence. Council agreed that the work needed to be done and the money is in the budget; therefore, they agreed that the repair work and the addition of mid rails should be completed for a total of \$3,406. Mrs. Raves will forward the signed contract.
10. Road Signs: Mr. Cuteri reported that Mr. Radcliffe had picked up the signs from Lake Shore and they are currently in his garage. Mr. Cuteri stated that he and Mr. Radcliffe were going to add a silicon bead to the edges of the signs for added durability.

Mr. Radcliffe has worked out the pole and base details with Bethlehem Wire & Fence and has submitted the quote to Mr. Davis, Cuteri and Mayor Dismukes for their review which was approved. Mrs. Raves requested a copy of this proposal for the file.

11. At 7:40 Council went into Executive Session

12. The meeting continued at 7:49

13. Mrs. Raves noted that our leaf collection contract has expired and the garbage contract will expire at the end of the year. Council requested that Mrs. Raves forward the contracts to Mr. Vogel for his review these will be discussed at next month's meeting

This meeting adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

The next monthly meeting is Tuesday June 14th at 7:00 at Shannopin Country Club.

Respectfully submitted,  
Denise Raves, Secretary/ Treasurer