

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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MAYOR'S REPORT

• Concerns/Complaints

- Folks drinking/loitering in front of local business (resolved successfully)
- o Dog waste & trespassing complaint (resolved successfully)
- o Penn Street overpass flooding concern (in progress)
- o Driving out of Rite Aid onto Route 28 visibility concern (in progress)
- o Parking-lot potholes @ Rite Aid, Dollar General and Goodwill (waiting on solicitor)
 - Rite Aid completed repairs; DG completed repairs
 - Goodwill property documentation indicates conflicting property lines
- Noise ordinance support for New Bethlehem Moose (resolved successfully)

• Police Department

- o Digitizing daily log forms to improve efficiency
- Seeking security camera upgrades and improvements

• Community Events

- o 2nd Annual Cops & Bobbers Chief will report on # of kids & funds raised
- o Peanut Butter Festival Cancelled due to COVID-19
 - RV Chamber seeking new board members

• Community Outreach

- o Attended Police Association meeting; 501(c)(3) approved!
 - Seeking new members, and board members
 - Organizing fundraisers, planning for PR and marketing as budget allows

• Blight Committee

- o Attended two (2) blight committee meetings led by Councilman Bain
 - Purpose; cleanup dilapidated properties, enforce ordinances, beautify community
 - Recruiting committee members, drafting blight ordinance and complaint form
 - Save Police Department time and money; improve efficiency

• Junior Borough Councilman

- Secure replacement Junior Councilperson
 - One possible candidate; still seeking applications



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FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- Cash Bash went well; Boot Drive scheduled for Labor Day Weekend
- Scheduling Big Buck planning meeting
- Selling fire truck; waiting on buyer

RVMA REPORT

- July meeting cancelled; August meeting scheduled for 8/20/20 @ 7pm @ Alltel building
- Annual budget discussion

OLD BUSINESS TODO LIST

- Sidewalk Repairs
- Rental Inspection Ordinance
- McEwan Account Usage

Respectfully,

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