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MAYOR'S REPORT

• Resolutions

- o Accomplishments in 2020, and goals/objectives for 2021: NewBethlehemBoro.com
 - Click 'About' on main menu and choose the 'Mission' tab
 - Click 'Mayor' on main menu and choose 'Reports' tab to review monthly reports

• Grants

- I'll be attending grant training classes per PSAB; greater involvement in any grants
- School requiring more grant experience; named assistant/helper on any grants
- COVID-19
 - Vaccine available to first responders, healthcare workers; soon for 65+ senior citizens
- Police Department
 - Hired new Police Secretary; thank you to police committee & Chief
 - Digitizing daily log forms to improve efficiency (need to schedule w/ secretary)
 - Regionalization Feasibility Study (presentation for February/March meeting)
 - Upgrade Gas Cards, Police Cruiser Repair, OIC 55 miles, Budget Questions
- Community
 - NB Fire Co. is preparing to host Fish/Chicken Dinners see website/FB for details
 - RV Chamber is preparing to host Annual Dinner & Speaker Series FB for details
 - Churches returning to in-person worship services w/ social distancing measures

• Blight Committee

- Top ten (10) most popular ordinances updated/digitized for 2021 (in-progress)
 - Periodic communication w/ borough solicitor; draft ordinances under review

• Junior Borough Councilman

- Seeking RV High School Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors who live within Borough
 - <u>NewBethlehemBoro.com/junior-council-person</u>
- Election
 - o 2021 is a local municipal election year; petitions, campaigns, yard signs, etc.
 - Pray for peace surrounding our nation's presidential inauguration

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POLICE ASSOCATION REPORT

- New website and Facebook page forthcoming for better marketing/advertising
- Roethlisberger K-9 Grant for Police Dog (to be submitted for this year 2021)
- \$5.00 rip-tickets fundraiser coming in February/March
- Meetings; even months in East Brady @ East Brady Community Center, odd months in New Bethlehem @ Redbank Valley Community Center @ 7pm

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- Edward Goth attending Borough meeting for background-check presentation
- Upgrading ID printer as part of requirements to have identification on emergency calls
- Meetings 2nd Tuesday of every month @ 7pm @ New Bethlehem Fire Hall

RVMA REPORT

- Improving personnel reviews, cross-training, financial audit in April (end of fiscal year)
- Website upgraded as well as Lights on the Dam repaired successfully
- Meetings 3rd Thursday of every month @ 7pm @ Windstream/Alltel Building 212 Lafayette St.

OLD BUSINESS TODO LIST

- Sidewalk Repairs
- Rental Inspection Ordinance (drafted)

Respectfully,

Gordon V. Barrows

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