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Borough of New Bethlehem

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Visitors: Pursuant to Section 710.1 of the Sunshine Act (65 Pa. C.S. Sec. 710.1), Borough residents and taxpayers shall be permitted to participate in the public comment period to address matters of concern, official action or deliberation which are or may be before the Borough Council. Public comment by other visitors may be permitted at the discretion of Borough Council. Unless specifically listed on the agenda, Borough residents, Borough taxpayers and visitors are asked to keep their comments to no more than 5 minutes at the beginning of the meeting. Public participation may also be permitted at the end of the meeting, but there shall be no public comment during the course of the meeting so that Council can complete its agenda. Borough residents, taxpayers and other visitors that wish to appear on the agenda may submit a request with any pertinent information by the Thursday before the 3rd Tuesday meeting so that it can be included on the agenda and in the Council's meeting packet which is distributed on Friday. By law, Council cannot take action on items not on the agenda or to do list which is part of the agenda.)

Agenda - Regular Meeting (7:00 pm)

December 21, 2021

Visitors

Minutes

- **November 16, 2021 & December 1, 2021**

Reports

- **Building Code Violations**
- **Police Report**
- **RVMA/ Fire Company/Engineer's Report**
- **Mayor**
 - **Council intends to review/discuss all of the reports and vote to approve the reports as presented.**

Resolution 2021-11

- **Council intends to discuss and take action on ratifying the adoption of Resolution 2021-11, supplementing the personnel manual regarding absences due to COVID 19 or other contagious diseases or illnesses.**

Resolution 2021-12

- **Council intends to discuss and take action on ratifying the adoption of Resolution 2021-12, reestablishing and adopting a policy of rules and regulations for the cemetery and establishing updated rates for grave openings and purchases.**

2022 Budget/Tax Ordinance/Other Action Items

- **Council intends to discuss and take action on adopting the 2022 General, Solid Waste, Light, and Liquid Fuels Budgets.**
- **Council intends to discuss and take action on adopting Ordinance #943, setting tax rates within the borough for 2022.**
- **Council intends to discuss and take action on 2021 employee retention bonuses for full-time employees as follows: Hilliard, Bowser, Malnofsky \$300 – Smith \$200, and possibly other bonuses**
- **Council will take action on approving and advertising the 2022 Reorganization Meeting on January 3rd at 7:00pm at the Alltel/Windstream building.**
- **Council intends to discuss and take action on appointing Gannett Fleming as the borough's engineering firm and Andrew Menchyk as the borough's solicitor.**
- **Council intends to discuss and take action on appointing Sandy Mateer as a citizen member of the Long Range Planning Committee to include work on grants and recodification.**

Committees

- **Street, Building & Equipment Committee**
- **Solid Waste Committee**
 - **Council will take action on cancelling the Diversified billing program now that the new RAK billing system is in place.**
- **Cemetery Committee**
- **Police & Safety Committee**
 - **Council intends to discuss and take action on police agreement municipal charges/fees.**
 - **Council may discuss and take action on any matters relating to the police department regionalization.**
- **Finance & Personnel Committee**
- **Long Range Planning**
 - **Council will take action on notifying the county of its intention to adopt the County's EOP next year through resolution. (Emailed to council due to the number of pages. Copies will be provided to the public upon request.)**
- **Communications Committee**
- **Blight Committee**

Old Business to do List

- **Council may discuss and take action on traffic speed control and other traffic related issues on Penn Street.**

New Business

- **Council will discuss actions to fill the vacancy on council.**
- **Council will appoint a member to the RVMA for an expiring term**

Bills

Visitors' comments

Executive Session for personnel, legal or contract matters:

(Adjournment)