



Rev. Dr. Gordon V. Barrows

Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023

## MAYOR'S REPORT

- **Public Requests/Concerns**
  - Public safety concerns about road paving and traffic detours (resolved successfully)
  - Handicap accessible playground development – seeking property/grants (In-progress)
- **Public Safety**
  - Columbia Gas Mock Emergency Training w/ fire companies & police department
  - Need for community-wide emergency notification system; grant funding to support project
    - RVMA System, HRRMA System, High School System; delayed notifications
- **Rural Broadband Access**
  - Met with engineers @ Windstream; fiber availability to rural residents; monthly reports
- **Economic Revitalization**
  - Attended Clarion County Economic Development Corporation (CCEDC) hosting Regional Main Street Initiative at New Bethlehem Town Center
  - Business recruitment and retention via DCED grant; grant awarded by end of this year
- **Codification Ordinances**
  - Estimated adoption in October and publication in November for public consumption
- **Events Attended/Supported**
  - Peanut Butter Festival, Grooming Lab Ribbon-Cutting, September 11<sup>th</sup>, Redbank Park Poker Run, Mason Martin Prayer Vigil, Labor Day, Men's Prayer Breakfast, Guest Preaching
- **Community**
  - RV Historical Society
    - Events/Activities throughout the year: [FB.com/RVHistory](https://www.facebook.com/RVHistory)
  - RV Church Association
    - Community Church Services and Events; [FB.com/NBRVCA](https://www.facebook.com/NBRVCA)
  - RV Chamber of Commerce (*seeking more Board Members*)
    - See weekly Chamber social media for latest info: [FB.com/RVChamber](https://www.facebook.com/RVChamber)
    - Monthly meetings third Monday of every month at 5:30pm at Windstream building
  - RV Community Center
    - Events and Activities throughout the year: [FB.com/RVCommunityCenter](https://www.facebook.com/RVCommunityCenter)
    - Monthly meetings fourth Tuesday of every month at 7pm at Community Center

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**REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

- *Report provided by Councilman Don Heeter and/or Councilman Bryan Ruth*
- Police Building Sales Agreement approved | Applied for TC Energy Grant to upgrade equipment
- Meetings set the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at the Windstream/Alltel Building @ 7pm

**POLICE ASSOCIATION REPORT**

- *Report provided by Councilman Don Heeter* | Tim Yeany appointed to Board of Directors
- Upcoming Events: [FB.com/SCPoliceAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/SCPoliceAssociation) | Cornhole Tournament Oct.14<sup>th</sup>
- Meetings; monthly rotation in East Brady @ East Brady Community Center, in New Bethlehem @ Redbank Valley Community Center and Rimersburg Municipal Building @ 7pm

**FIRE COMPANY REPORT**

- *Report provided by Councilman Scott Barrett and/or Councilman Brian Fox*
- [FB.com/NewBethlehemFire](https://www.facebook.com/NewBethlehemFire) | Relisted (again) fire truck on Municibid @ 30K
- Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month @ 7pm @ New Bethlehem Fire Hall

**RVMA REPORT**

- *Report provided by President Lisa Kerle*
- Carbon Feed System completed | Smart Meter replacement project | Waterline replacement project
- Alerts/Notices: Water Main Breaks, Emergencies, Boil Water notices – [FB.com/RVMAOnline](https://www.facebook.com/RVMAOnline)
- Meetings 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month @ 7pm @ Windstream/Alltel Building 212 Lafayette St.

**OLD BUSINESS TODO LIST**

- Sidewalk Repairs

Respectfully,

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