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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 3 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) November 19, 2024

Visitors

- **Bobbie Truckley – Trash collection location for 625 Wood Street.**

Minutes

- **Council intends to take action on approving the October 15, 2024 regular meeting minutes.**

Parks/Recreation

- **Council intends to discuss and may take action on Gumtown Park rules and regulations.**
- **Council intends to discuss and may take action on installing a new panel box in the parklet area.**

Vision and Dental Insurance

- **Council intends to discuss and may take action on the employees dental and vision coverage for the next policy period.**

Property Tax Exemption

- **Council intends to discuss and may take action on ratifying and confirming the exemption continues after the sale of the property located at 220 Broad Street to the SCCRPD.**

Short Term Rental Ordinance #952

- **Council intends to discuss and may take action on a short-term rental ordinance.**

Solid Waste Fee Resolution 2024-3

- **Council intends to discuss and may take action on Resolution 2024-3, increasing collection fees by \$3.00 per quarter.**

2024 Budget & Tax Ordinance

- **Council intends to discuss and may take action on the 2024 Budget and 2024 Tax Ordinance.**

Zoning Ordinance

- Council intends to discuss and may take action on amendments to the zoning ordinance.

Road Closure

- Council intends to discuss and may take action on the closure of various roads including Broad Street for the Christmas Parade on December 7th at 6:30PM.

American Rescue Funds Allocation

- Council intends to discuss and may take action on allocating \$71,310.00 toward the Penn Street Bridge Replacement Project for engineering services with Gannett Fleming.
- Council intends to discuss and may take action on allocating the remaining balance of the American Rescue Funds Account. The present remaining balance in the account at this time following the Gannett Fleming allocation would be \$24,975.12.
- Council intends to discuss and may take action on purchasing a new John Deere Loader.

Records Retention

- Council intends to discuss and may take action on disposing of old police and borough files.

Recreational Vehicle Signage

- Council intends to discuss and may take action on road signage and any other business related to street postings and applying to the DCNR for signage.

Storm Sewer Manhole Repair

- Council intends to discuss and may take action on a storm sewer manhole repair by the bridge and a county liquid fuels grant.

Multi-Modal Grant/Route 28 Access Road

- Council intends to discuss and may take action regarding the Multi-Modal Grant and/or the Access Road Project.

Penn Street Bridge/Stream Banks

- Council intends to discuss and may take any action necessary regarding repair/replacement of the bridge at Penn Street and the bridge stream banks at Broad Street/Route 28.

Committees

- Street, Building & Equipment Committee
- Solid Waste Committee
- Cemetery Committee
 - Proposed at work session that cemetery gas be paid from general account public works to help preserve the perpetual care fund.
 - Council intends to discuss and may take action on various cemetery rates.
- Finance & Personnel Committee
- Long Range Planning Committee
- Ordinance Review Committee

Reports

- **Building Code Violations**
- **Police Report**
- **RVMA – Lisa Kerle**
- **Police Association – Don Heeter**
- **SCCRPD – Don Heeter/Bryan Ruth**
- **Fire Company – Scott Barrett/Brian Fox/Mayor Barrows**
- **Mayor's Report**
- **Engineer's Report**
 - **Council intends to discuss/review all of the reports and vote to approve the reports as presented.**

Other Business

Zoning Officer

- **Council intends to discuss and may take action on the Zoning Officer position.**

UCC Appeals Board Members

- **Council intends to discuss and may take action regarding the UCC Appeals Board. Presently seven-member board.**

Credit Card Account

- **Council intends to discuss and may take action regarding closing the current S&T Bank/Elan Financial Services account and opening up a new credit card account.**

Bills

- **Move to pay the bills and ratify the paid bills.**

Visitors' comments

Executive Session for personnel, legal or contract matters.

(Adjournment)