



Rev. Dr. Gordon V. Barrows

April 15th, 2025

MAYOR'S REPORT

- **Public Requests/Concerns**
 - Multiple requests for rental/usage form for Gumtown Park for 2025 events/activities.
 - Reminder: Council voted last meeting 'first come, first serve' until end of 2025
 - Councilman Gold shared draft registration form; being reviewed by solicitor
- **Playground/Park Project**
 - Standard Operating Procedures & Polices submitted to solicitor for review
 - Councilman Gold to contact Dave Green for possible event scheduling
- **Phone System & Security Cameras**
 - Phone System – Re-Review
 - \$445.20/year phone service. One-time \$69.99 phone. Installation/Setup @ \$150/h
 - Voice attendant/routing, voicemail-to-email transcription, not location specific
 - Save the Borough money, get more features/security and professionalism.
 - Security Cameras
 - Delegated to Secretary McGarrity, review bids?
- **Ordinance Update Committee**
 - Parks and Recreation (Rules, Regulations), Nuisances, Dangerous Structures (Blight)
 - Drafts/revisions in progress; review by committee, present to Council
- **Proclamation & Grants**
 - Wrote (another) letter of recommendation for student applying to college/internship.
 - 'Remake Learning Days' requested Mayoral Proclamation from RIU #6 & RVSD
- **Penn Street Bridge Project**
 - Mr. Thompson presented to community at public meeting; Next meeting? Next steps?
- **Association of Boroughs**
 - Regional association of Boroughs meeting tomorrow 4/16/25 at History Center @ 4:30pm
- **Events Attended/Supported**
 - NBFC Fish Fry & Easter/Ham Bingo, RVCA Lenten Schedule, Men's Prayer Breakfast
- **Community**
 - CHAMBER: [Facebook.com/RVChamber](https://www.facebook.com/RVChamber) for weekly publication of events/activities
 - COMMUNITY CENTER: Leatherwood Church reopened Center; events forthcoming.
 - HISTORY SOCIETY: June 16th – Terry Janosik presents "Boats to Build" Presentation.



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REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- *Report provided by Councilman Don Heeter and/or Councilman Bryan Ruth*
- Advertising for Full/Part-Time | Upgrading Camera system | Deploying more PT officers
- Kiel taking state academy exam | Code Enforcement Officer actively working (1 day/week)
- Meetings set the 4th Thursday of each month at the Windstream/Alltel Building @ 7pm

POLICE ASSOCIATION REPORT

- *Report provided by Mayor Gordon Barrows*
- Organizing Gun Bash Tickets | Organizing Beef Sticks Fundraiser | Charv-Val Candy Fundraiser
- Upcoming Events: [FB.com/SCPoliceAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/SCPoliceAssociation) | Fish for Fun @ May 4th @ Rimersburg
- Monthly meetings the second Monday of each month rotating between communities.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- *Report provided by Councilman Scott Barrett and/or Councilman Brian Fox*
- [FB.com/NewBethlehemFire](https://www.facebook.com/NewBethlehemFire) | Organizing Grocery Store Spree Fundraiser | Boot Drive in May
- Thanks to all who attended Fish Frys and Ham Bingo | Tip Boards still going strong
- Meetings 2nd Tuesday of every month @ 7pm @ New Bethlehem Fire Hall

RVMA REPORT

- *Report provided by RVMA Representative*
- Next meeting this upcoming Thursday, April 17th (No meeting last month)
- Alerts/Notices: Water Main Breaks, Emergencies, Boil Water notices – [FB.com/RVMAOnline](https://www.facebook.com/RVMAOnline)
- Meetings 3rd Thursday of every other month @ 7pm @ Windstream Building 212 Lafayette St.

Respectfully,

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Mayor of New Bethlehem Pennsylvania



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