

February 27, 2024

MINUTES OF BERNVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING FEBRUARY 27, 2024

President Dennis Baver called meeting of Bernville Borough Council to order Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at 7:00 PM in the Bernville Borough Hall at 6602 Bernville Rd.

Present were, President Dennis Baver, Vice President Justin Kiebach, Councilmember's Randolph Copenhaver, Jamie Schur, Wayne Leshner, and Secretary Brenda Strunk. Mayor Shawn Raup-Konsavage, and Councilmember's Zachary Smith and Jason Wenrich were absent.

DISCUSSIONS BY COUNCIL

Councilmember Copenhaver gave a recycling site update. Councilmember Copenhaver stated that he thinks the site should be up and running by mid-March. Secretary Brenda Strunk will be meeting with Smrtguys for IT assistance for the hookup of the cameras and the gates at the recycling site.

Councilmember Copenhaver posted on Facebook looking for a part time borough employee. Secretary Strunk handed out three employee applications, but none were returned.

A camera policy was discussed. This will include who may view the video and where you can place cameras. The council is recommending the police chief and the rights to know officer to be the people to view videos.

There was a discussion about the vacant borough property at Stevens Avenue. There was a consensus by the council to have councilmember Leshner contact Les Longenecker for a proposal on a 1-day auction to sell the property. Councilmember Leshner will also ask Mr. Longenecker for a proposal to sell the property where the pool is located on Umbenhauer Drive. Councilmember Schur stated she would like the borough to consider keeping the pool property and extending Umbenhauer Park. Councilmember Copenhaver suggested councilmember Schur contact Mary Himmelberger to see what study needs to be done and what grant money is available to keep the pool property for recreation.

Council President Baver will contact Spotts Stevens and McCoy to ask about the water tank inspection. President Baver also stated that the borough must complete a water service line inventory by July. Jamie Lorah, from Spotts Stevens and McCoy, is going to pull maps that they have of the borough's water lines. President Baver will also reach out to McCarthy Engineering to ask the status of the Chapter 94 report and the road repair survey that McCarthy was going to do before spring of 2024.

President Baver will also check with the solicitor to see if she found any information on water, sewer, and trash late fees and if the borough can turn the water off for non-payment after the appropriate letters are sent.

The council discussed having Kraft Municipal Group go through the borough and placard any vehicle that is unlicensed or uninspected.

Council Vice President reported that there are a couple storm drains in the borough that need attention. The council will have the storm drains looked at and get bids for the repairs.

ADJOURNMENT: There was no further business, and the Bernville Borough Council meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM by COPENHAVER/KIEBACH

Attest:



Brenda Strunk
Borough Secretary