



## **Borough of Ben Avon**

### **Council Meeting**

#### **Minutes**

**April 18, 2023**

The Borough of Ben Avon Council met in a regular voting session on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, virtually and at 7101 Church Avenue for the purpose of transacting General Business. President Richard Wagner presided and opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present: Richard Wagner, Jennifer Bett, Russell Kuehner, Ken Opiery, Kara Roggenkamp, Jim Thornton, Tavia Washington

Others Present: Mayor Melanie Hughes-Holcomb, Ohio Township Police Chief Joe Hanny, Emsworth Fire Chief Jim Kohl, JPC Representative Christen Cieslak, Northwest EMS District Chief Dylan Laplante, and Borough Secretary Terrie Patsch

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Tom Barker, Brighton Road

Mr. Barker had questions for the Council concerning two buildings on Church Avenue and inquired about a garbage can being placed in town for public use.

#### **BOROUGH REPORTS**

##### Mayor's Report

Mayor Holcomb reported the Legion is asking for assistance with the line-up at the Memorial Day Parade. She will be unavailable for that event and was asking the Council members for their help that day.

Mayor Holcomb shared a recent conversation she had with Chief Kohl about an unfortunate mix-up by the company that produces their annual donation request mailings. The correct information should be given to the residents soon.

The community-organized summer food truck events are starting this week, and she reminded everyone to be considerate of their neighbors when visiting the trucks beginning this Friday.

Mayor Holcomb also shared an upcoming meeting to discuss Pittsburgh preparedness for rail incidents such as the railroad accident in East Palestine. The event is on April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

There was also a request from Ohio Township to reopen negotiations on the police services contract and Mayor Holcomb will coordinate an upcoming meeting. She noted that parking issues and stop sign observance are continuing to be a problem and stated that there needs to be some clarification on what the Borough would like to see done as far as increased enforcement.

Ohio Township Police Report – See Attachment A

Chief Hanny reported seventy-three calls in Ben Avon this month, including DUI, service calls and traffic citations. He understood the Council's concerns for increased enforcement of the parking and traffic laws, however suggested residents should be made aware of this change. Mr. Wagner stated they are asking the officers to focus on these two items but agreed that residents need to be alerted that there will be an increase in enforcement.

Emsworth Volunteer Fire Company Report – See Attachment B

Chief Kohl reported thirty-six calls this month. He commented on the error with the fundraising drive by the marketing company and stated that information would soon be corrected with another mailing to the residents.

Northwest EMS – see Attachment C

Chief Laplante reported twenty-four calls in Ben Avon recently as referenced in their recent quarterly report. They are looking forward to their planned expansion in the Borough once their administration has reviewed the proposed lease agreement.

Solicitor's Report - *there was no solicitor's report this month.*

Joint Planning Commission

Ms. Cieslak reported no new updates from the Commission this month. She asked if the Council would like to request the Commission begin research on electric charging stations as sales of electric vehicles are increasing. She offered to complete the required form to ask the Commission to begin the process. From that point, they will gauge the other municipalities' interest in pursuing this subject. Ms. Roggenkamp stated that Duquesne light undoubtedly has this on their radar and may have information to contribute going forward.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

March 21, 2023, Council Meeting

**Motion:** Mr. Thornton; **Second:** Ms. Roggenkamp; **Motion Carried** by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2023, Council Meeting as presented.

## **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

### Revenue & Expense Report

**Motion:** Mr. Opiery; **Second:** Ms. Washington; **Motion Carried** by unanimous voice vote to approve the financial statement as presented for the month of March 2023.

### Accounts Payable

**Motion:** Mr. Opiery; **Second:** Ms. Washington; **Motion Carried** by unanimous voice vote to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$139,889.40. He reviewed several large expenses this month including the quarterly obligation to Alcosan, the quarterly police services payment, a bi-annual payment to Emsworth for fire services and replacement of a fuel tank for Public Works.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Administration Report

Ms. Bett had nothing new to report for the Administration Committee, however a meeting is scheduled for next week.

### Public Affairs & Communications.

Ms. Bett reported that the solicitor approved the proposed contract for the new website and the project will be moving forward within the next quarter. The new design/content company will be Civics Plus.

### Public Safety – See Attachment D

Mr. Wagner reported on several properties in the Borough that the solicitors are following and noted that he received a response from Daniel Conlon regarding some options for addressing these problems, however, had not yet discussed this with him. He reported that Mr. Conlon will attend the May 2 working session and review the material he provided.

### Public Works

Mr. Opiery reported that plans for the repairs on the sewer line continue with material being ordered on the first of May. The paving project schedule is not finalized. He is waiting to hear from Avalon about his request that they work with the Borough's contract and pave two of the shared streets at the same time to eliminate unnecessary wear to Ben Avon's part of a newly paved road. Avalon will open their bids at their meeting this evening and reply as to their intent. He also stated another option would be that Ben Avon postpone those two roads until next year's project and pave two others this year instead to avoid any trucks traveling over the newly paved roads.

### Community of Governments - See Attachment E

Ms. Washington reported that GASP (Group Against Smog & Pollution) is hosting a free virtual webinar tomorrow, April 19 to discuss how municipalities can impact air quality on a local level. She also shared that Norfolk Southern will be coming to the Pittsburgh area for a free hands-on training intended for fire departments, law enforcement, EMS, hazmat response teams and emergency management personnel.

The Southwest Pennsylvania Commission (SPC) is hosting an Electric Fleet Exposition on May 24<sup>th</sup> at the UPMC Events Center. There is no cost to attend, but reservations are required.

### Sustainability

Ms. Roggenkamp stated in the past couple of meetings she has reported on various programs she discovered through CONNECT, and they would very much like to see the Borough become a member. One program is set to begin, Get Solar, which is one of many they are organizing this year. This will provide technical assistance to obtain solar power with helping to provide an analysis, savings, costs and the time it would take for the panels to pay for themselves. There may be grant money available and a new program that would pay for 30% of the cost of the panels, however that is not for governments. This round of applications are due April 28 for those that wish to participate. Ms. Roggenkamp reviewed the requirements and basic timeline for the application and consideration to participate. Mr. Kuehner asked if the Borough should hold off on the roof replacement until they have more information on the application, however the grant received for the roof project is under time constraints. Questions were also raised about the warranty on the new roof, and Mr. Opiery noted there are other pressing projects in the building that may become a priority. After further discussion, it was decided to proceed with the application.

### Special Projects

#### Centennial Building Committee

Mr. Wagner reported the paperwork has been signed off on the first project of the building renovation, and the roof, insulation and windows will begin in the next few months. Ms. Cieslak stated that the contractor should be providing an update, but for now the windows have been pushed back to late summer/early Fall.

The next two grants of \$300,000 each are slated for the elevator shaft and equipment.

Mr. Wagner noted that Representative Venkat and Senator Fontana will be at the Borough Hall on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon and will present a check to the Borough. He asked that any council members that are free that afternoon attend as well.

**NEW BUSINESS** – *there was no new business.*

**OLD BUSINESS** – *there was no old business.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** - *for pending potential litigation.*

**Motion:** Mr. Thornton; **Second:** Ms. Roggenkamp; **Motion Carried** by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:28 p.m. to discuss pending potential litigation.

**Motion:** Ms. Bett; **Second:** Mr. Thornton; **Motion Carried** by voice vote to return to regular session at 9:46 p.m.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Motion:** Mr. Thornton; **Second:** Ms. Bett; **Motion Carried** by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Terrie Patsch*

Borough Secretary

ATTACHMENT A

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## OHIO TOWNSHIP

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### BEN AVON PATROLS FOR March 2023



BA-1 150  
BA-2 154  
BA-3 160  
BA-4 159

TOTAL 623

4/14/2023

## Call Service Report Grouped by Urcodes

OHIO TOWNSHIP POLICE  
3/01/2023 THROUGH 3/31/2023  
For Municipality: 05

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<u>CODE</u>	<u>MAR COUNT</u>	<u>YTD COUNT</u>
0501 - ALARM - RESIDENCE	0	3
0637 - THEFT - UNDER \$50 - FROM BUILDINGS	0	1
1150 - FRAUD - CREDIT CARDS, ATM	0	2
2000 - OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY & CHILDREN	1	1
2020 - OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY-CHILD ABUSE	1	1
2112 - DRIVE UNDER INFLUENCE-ALCOHOL-IMPAIRED	1	2
2410 - HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION	2	3
2450 - HARASSMENT	1	3
2626 - FALSE FIRE ALARM	2	2
2647 - PFA-PROTECTIVE ORDERS	0	6
2656 - THREATS	1	1
3100 - MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	0	1
3400 - MENTAL HEALTH	0	6
3502 - SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES	2	4
3600 - DISTURBANCES-DOMESTIC	1	1
3610 - DISTURBANCES-JUVENILE	2	3
3820 - DISABLED VEHICLE	1	5
3840 - FIRES (INCLUDING ALARMS-FOUNDED/UNFOUNDED)	0	1
3850 - HAZARDOUS CONDITION/NOT SNOW RELATED	1	3
3855 - ROAD DEPARTMENT CALL OUT	1	5
3870 - MEDICAL EMERGENCY/ ASSIST AMBULANCE	9	22
3880 - OPEN DOORS/WINDOWS - DISCOVERED	0	4
3900 - TRAFFIC & PARKING PROBLEMS	8	12
4010 - TRAFFIC OFFENSES	0	1
4012 - GAS LEAKS & EXPLOSIONS	0	1
4022 - SUSPICIOUS PERSON	2	6
4026 - WIRES AND POLES DOWN	1	1
4091 - CIVIL DISPUTES	0	1
5004 - LOST & FOUND - FOUND ARTICLES	1	1
5008 - LOST & FOUND - LOST ARTICLES	0	1
5506 - ANIMAL COMPLAINTS - STRAY ANIMALS	2	5
5510 - ANIMAL COMPLAINTS - INJURED/SICK	1	1
5590 - ANIMAL COMPLAINTS - REPORTS	0	1
6006 - TRAFFIC ACCIDENT INVOLVING INJURY	0	1
6008 - TRAFFIC ACCIDENT INVOLVING NONINJURY	0	3
6310 - TRAFFIC POST	1	1
6603 - TRAFFIC RELATED - ABANDONED VEHICLE	3	3
6612 - TRAFFIC RELATED - SIGNALS-SIGNS OUT	2	2
6614 - TRAFFIC RELATED - CARELESS DRIVER	2	5
7010 - POLICE NOTIFICATIONS/INFO	3	11
7092 - ROUTINE PATROL COMPLETED	7	7
7504 - ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES - OTHER POLICE	0	1
9008 - ADMINISTRATION - CLERICAL	1	1
CITT - TRAFFIC CITATION	6	18
CITW - WARNING	4	7
CKWE - WELFARE CHECK	3	6
	<u>73</u>	<u>177</u>



7:35

◀ Messages

**Emsworth Volunteer Fire Company**

Emsworth, PA

This report was generated on 4/3/2023 7:35:18 PM

**Basic Incident Info for Incident Type**

Incident Type(s): All Incident Types | Start Date: 03/01/2023 | End Date: 03/31/2023

Incident Date	Incident #	Dispatch Run Number	Address	Narrative	Station	Zone
03/01/2023	2023-70	230016964	Island Ave	poss. house fire dispatched & cancelled McKees rocks	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/02/2023	2023-71	230000071	Teece Ave	Accident no need for fire. Dispatched & cancelled Bellevue	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/02/2023	2023-72	230017282	362 Kilbuck St	smoke outside the house. smoke is from a wood burner inside the house. Dispatched & cancelled Glenfield	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/03/2023	2023-73	230017657	1257 Duff Rd	Tree down on the road. Cut the tree up and reopened the road. Kilbuck	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/04/2023	2023-74	230017755	Roosevelt RD	poss. wires down checked the area nothing found. Kilbuck	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/05/2023	2023-75	230018012	314 Kilbuck St	smoke in the seen from the high way. checked the road just smoke from the house with the wood burner. Glenfield	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/05/2023	2023-76	230018144	146 W. Riverview Ave	Accident 108 on scene holding to 108 only. Bellevue Dispatched & cancelled	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/05/2023	2023-77	230018137	114 Pinvalley Dr	fire alarm. changing smoke head out at the house. Dispatched & cancelled Ross.	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/07/2023	2023-78	230018655	841 California Ave	Fire alarm due to a bad smoke detector. Avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/08/2023	2023-79	230018979	O.R.B.	Natural gas smell inside the house. 103 on scene holding it to 103. Dispatched and cancelled. Avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/08/2023	2023-80	230019017	300 Cliffside MNR	Poss. fire. when we got on scene nothing showing from the outside. searched the inside found a hot water line broken in the basement. and the steam from the hot water line set the alarm off. Emsworth	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/09/2023	2023-81	230019129	300 union Ave	fire alarm. Dispatched and cancelled alarm company called back with the proper code. Avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/09/2023	2023-82	23049199	179 South	poss. brush fire search the area nothing found in area. brush fire was located in franklin park. helped with traffic control. OT	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/11/2023	2023-83	230019706	7001 O.R.B.	fire alarm due to bad smoke head took the head off and reset the alarm. Ben Avon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/12/2023	2023-84	230019846	19 Locust ST.	Poss. commercial fire 277 on scene no fire or smoke. No need for fire Dispatched and cancelled. McKees rocks	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/12/2023	2023-85	230019992	721 California Ave	fire alarm due workers inside the building Dispatched and cancelled. avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/13/2023	2023-86	230020295	312 Campbell st	poss fire 277 on scene no need for fire dispatched and cancelled. McKees rocks	148 - Emsworth VFC	

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Incident Date	Incident #	Dispatch Run Number	Address	Narrative	Station	Zone
03/15/2023	2023-87	230020650	Fisk ave	car accident. car into a pole helped with cutting out the patient also helped with traffic control. Avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/18/2023	2023-88	230021626	501 Roosevelt RD	Fire alarm dispatched & cancelled alarm company called back said home owner answered and said no need for fire. Kilbuck	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/17/2023	2023-89	230021339	720 Blackburn Rd	Poss. fire inside the hospital. 258 on scene with nothing showing. searched the building found a broken water line is what set the alarm off. Dispatched & cancelled. Sewickley	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/18/2023	2023-90	230021559	O.R.B.	Accident unknown injuries. PD on scene with a guy with a flat tire no need for fire. Dispatched & cancelled. Bellevue	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/19/2023	2023-91	230021752	208 N. Balph ave	House fire cased by electric stove wire catching the cabinets and little of the outside of the house on fire. Helped covering up stuff on the first floor and aslo ventilation. Bellevue	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/22/2023	2023-92	230022836	Brick AL	car fire helped with putting the fire out and traffic control. Avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/23/2023	2023-93	230023134	233 Irwin ave	fire alarm due to cooking. Bellevue	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/24/2023	2023-94	230023227	O.R.B.	car accident pd on scene no need for fire dispatched and cancelled. Avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/24/2023	2023-95	230023186	407 Broadway Ave	poss. house fire pd on scene no need for fire bad cook. Dispatched& cancelled. McKees rocks	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/25/2023	2023-96	230023600	13 Bell ave	smell of gas inside the house. Dispatched and cancelled. McKees rocks	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/25/2023	2023-97	2300023587	324 Plummer ave	tree down across the road cut the tree up and reopened the road Emsworth	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/25/2023	2023-98	230023962	O.R.B.	power out at the lights helped with traffic Avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/25/2023	2023-99	230024039	O.R.B.	power out at the lights. helped with traffic and hooked up the generators. Emsworth	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/28/2023	2023-100	230024703	7008 O.R.B.	fire alarm due to bad smoke head. Ben Avon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/28/2023	2023-101	230024885	118 Gay ln	car into a house 108 on scene holding to 108. dispatched and cancelled bellevue	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/29/2023	2023-102	230024990	707 O.R.B.	fire alarm due smoke in the hallway from a dryer no fire. Dispatched and cancelled Avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/30/2023	2023-103	230025496	O.R.B.	accident helped with traffic control and clean up. Emsworth	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/30/2023	2023-104	230025574	707 O.R.B.	person hit by a car pd on scene no need for fire. dispatched and cancelled. Avalon	148 - Emsworth VFC	
03/31/2023	2023-105	230025669	179 NB	car accident 101-C1 on scen holding to 101 dispatched and cancelled. Aleppo	148 - Emsworth VFC	

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## NORTHWEST EMS

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### Ben Avon Borough Report First Quarter 2023

#### Total Run Numbers:

- Total Emergency and Non-Emergency 911 Responses: **24**  
Average Response Time (E0-E4): **6 min. 19 sec.**
- Total Emergency 911 Response: **24**  
Average Response Time (E0-E3): **6 min. 19 sec.**
- Total Highest Priority Response: **12**  
Average Response Time (E0-E1): **4 min. 14 sec.**

#### Response Times by Category:

- E0 Response: **2**  
Average Response Time: **4 min. 03 sec.**
- E1 Response: **7**  
Average Response Time: **4 min. 24 sec.**
- E0 + E1 Response: **9**  
Average Response Time: **4 min. 14 sec.**
- E2 Response: **3**  
Average Response Time: **8 min. 26 sec.**
- E3 Response: **5**  
Average Response Time: **8 min 21 sec.**
- E4 Response: **0**  
Average Response Time: **Not applicable**

Submitted by: Assistant Chief Brian O'Connor 412-331-2600 boconnor@northwestems.net

Ben Avon Borough -- EMS Response Data -- Q1 2023							
Date	Priority	Dispatch Time	On Scene Time	Response Time	Address	Unit	Outcome
1/3/2023	E3	13:20:22	13:24:32	0:04:10	216 HILANDS AVE	1907	Passavant
1/11/2023	E2	22:52:24	22:56:49	0:04:25	7600 BRIGHTON RD	1904	Sewickley
1/13/2023	E3	16:10:06	16:30:42	0:20:36	241 ALDER DR	1907	Presbyterian
1/17/2023	E0	14:55:03	14:57:12	0:02:09	DICKSON AVE/BRIGHTON RD	1904	Refused
1/28/2023	E1	0:52:06	0:53:50	0:01:44	7189 BRIGHTON RD	1904	Passavant
1/28/2023	E0	4:45:34	4:48:03	0:02:29	130 IRWIN AVE	1904	Children's
1/29/2023	E3	18:21:31	18:30:07	0:08:36	6910 CHURCH AVE	1901	AGH
1/30/2023	E2	14:14:25	14:28:09	0:13:44	6903 MERTON RD	1905	Passavant
2/13/2023	E1	0:09:11	0:11:41	0:02:30	7225 MCCURDY PL	1906	Presbyterian
2/13/2023	E1	7:53:09	7:57:38	0:04:29	400 RIDGE AVE	1906	Presbyterian
2/17/2023	E0	20:45:45	20:48:37	0:02:52	7043 WOODLAND AVE	1906	AGH
2/18/2023	E2	15:51:16	15:57:47	0:06:31	6903 MERTON RD	1906	Kennedy
2/19/2023	E1	10:53:05	10:56:50	0:03:45	6612 BRIGHTON RD	1906	AGH
2/21/2023	E0	6:50:53	6:57:51	0:06:58	211 BREADING AVE	1906	Presbyterian
2/26/2023	E2	18:15:19	18:27:35	0:12:16	241 DICKSON AVE	1903	Refused
3/3/2023	E3	16:35:49	16:37:08	0:01:19	6529 OHIO RIVER BLVD	1906	Passavant
3/3/2023	E0	20:13:30	20:22:44	0:09:14	122 MONITOR AVE	1903	AGH
3/4/2023	E3	2:55:08	3:02:12	0:07:04	1 LAUREL VLG	1906	Kennedy
3/10/2023	E2	6:43:50	6:47:31	0:03:41	7225 MCCURDY PL	1906	Passavant
3/22/2023	E2	6:50:07	6:55:45	0:05:38	339 FOREST AVE	1902	AGH
3/25/2023	E0	16:45:14	16:47:34	0:02:20	240 BREADING AVE	1902	AGH
3/26/2023	E2	13:43:49	13:56:35	0:12:46	6800 BRIGHTON RD	1903	AGH
3/27/2023	E1	13:35:50	13:45:23	0:09:33	7012 OHIO RIVER BLVD	1908	Presbyterian
3/27/2023	E0	18:46:57	18:49:19	0:02:22	230 BREADING AVE	1902	Refused

Priority	Total	Avg Response Time	Combined Avg
E0	7	12:04:03 AM	
E1	5	12:04:24 AM	12:04:14 AM
E2	7	12:08:26 AM	12:06:25 AM
E3	5	12:08:21 AM	12:08:23 AM
E4	0		



April 10, 2023

Ben Avon Council  
Ben Avon Borough  
7101 Church Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15202

Subject: Monthly Report  
Code Enforcement, Zoning, and Building Code

Dear Council,

The following are updates on action items since the previous Council meeting.

#### CODE ENFORCEMENT

##### NEW INVESTIGATIONS:

###### **216 Hilands Ave – Parking Pad**

A notice of violation was sent to the property owner on 03.23.23 allowing for 10 days remediation to discontinue parking in the front yard or apply for a zoning permit.

##### ONGOING INVESTIGATIONS/CITATIONS:

###### **225 Park Ave – Prop Maintenance**

A notice of violation was written requesting an interior inspection per IPMC section 104.3 of the 2009 International Property Maintenance Code, which the Borough adopted on March 17, 2010. On 02.09.23 apartments 3 and 4 were inspected, as permitted by the tenants.

**04.10.23** Next steps to be discussed with the solicitor.

###### **6702 Shaffer Pl – Rental Inspection**

A Citation was filed for failure to schedule a rental inspection. Magisterial hearing scheduled for 05.10.23.

**04.10.23** Property passed a rental inspection on 03.24.23. Citation withdrawn.

###### **237 Park Ave – Rental Inspection**

A Citation was filed for failure to schedule a rental inspection.

**04.10.23** Magisterial hearing scheduled for 05.10.23.

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##### Codes & Zoning

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**241 Alder Dr – Rental Inspection**

A Citation was filed for failure to schedule a rental inspection. Magisterial hearing scheduled for 05.10.23.

04.10.23 Property passed a rental inspection on 03.24.23. Citation withdrawn.

**221 Alder Dr – Rental Inspection**

A Citation was filed for failure to schedule a rental inspection.

04.10.23 Magisterial hearing scheduled for 03.29.23. Property inspection scheduled for 04.12.23. Code Enforcement to request continuance until after the inspection.

**7072 Woodland Ave - Fence**

Property was inspected on 12.04.23 for an improperly constructed fence. A notice of violation was sent on 01.05.23 allowing for 30 days to remediate the fence. Property was reinspected on 02.08.23 A Citation was filed on 02.09.23.

04.10.23 Code Enforcement attended a Magisterial hearing on 03.29.23 The property owner was present. The Judge dismissed the case as the fence has been remediated.

**MAGISTERIAL HEARINGS****7072 Woodland Ave - Fence**

Code Enforcement attended a Magisterial hearing on 03.29.23 The property owner was present. The Judge dismissed the case as the fence has been remediated.

**RENTAL INSPECTIONS****PASS**

1. 6702 Shaffer Place
2. 241 Alder Drive
3. 260 Berringer Place
4. 7409-7411 Brighton Road


**FAIL****BUILDING & ZONING PERMITS****BUILDING PERMITS**

1. No new permits this month.

**ZONING PERMITS**

1. Zoning review for Building Permits.
2. No new permits this month.

Please contact our office at any time with questions.

  
Jarrod D'Amico, BCO  
Director of Codes and Zoning

  
Randy McCray, CZO  
Lead Code Technician

cc: File 19.159

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QUAKER VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
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### Executive Director's Report – April 2023

**Air Quality Workshop** – On April 19, 2023 the Group Against Smog and Pollution (GASP) will be conducting a free virtual workshop intended for local governments to discuss how municipalities can impact air quality at the local level. The seminar will include a quick refresher on all things air quality, as well as discussions regarding available grants, model ordinances, partnerships, and other resources available to interested local governments. Interested participants may register by visiting <https://www.gasp-pgh.org/event-details/virtual-workshop-clearing-the-air-air-quality-workshop-for-local-governments>

**Letter to Regional Representatives** – At its March 15<sup>th</sup> meeting the QVCOG Board of Delegates unanimously voted to direct that a letter outlining the concerns of residents in member communities on the topic of railroad safety be sent to regional elected officials (both state and federal). A draft of the aforementioned letter is being reviewed. Once finalized it will be sent to the offices of each of the following officials (Rep. Valerie Gaydos – PA 44, Rep. Arvind Venkat – PA 30, Rep. Emily Kinkad – PA 20, Sen. Wayne Fontana – PA 42, Sen. Devlin Robinson – PA 37, Congressman Chris Deluzio – PA 17, Senator Bob Casey, & Senator John Fetterman).

**Railroad Safety & Emergency Response Training** – Norfolk Southern will be coming to the Pittsburgh region to provide free hands-on training with their "Safety Train". The event is intended for fire departments, law enforcement, emergency medical services, hazmat response teams, and emergency management personnel. The following topics will be addressed at the training: Safety Around the Railroad; Understanding Rail Shipping Documents; Tank Car Identification; Tank Car Valves & Fittings; Locomotive Emergencies; Responding to Railroad Emergencies; and the AskRail Mobile App. The event will take place at the Norfolk Southern Pitcairn, Yard (701 Wall Ave, Wall, PA 15148). The event will be offered in 4 hour sessions between October 10 - 12, 2023 with various time slots available. To register please contact Mr. Scott Deutsch via email at [Scott.Deutsch@nscorp.com](mailto:Scott.Deutsch@nscorp.com) or by phone at 412-439-2880.

**SPC EV Event** – The Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission (SPC) is hosting an Electric Fleet Exposition on May 24, 2023 at the UPMC Events Center (6001 University Blvd, Moon Twp, PA 15108). This free event will be a great opportunity for municipal officials to see the latest electric vehicle (EV) models available for their local government fleets, hear about funding opportunities and best practices for transitioning to an electric fleet, and engage with experienced vendors concerning fleet charging. While there is no cost to attend, registration is required because space is limited. Interested participants are encouraged to register early by sending an email to [electricvehicles@duqlight.com](mailto:electricvehicles@duqlight.com).

### Important Dates

April 10, 2023 – Easter Monday (QVCOG Office Closed)

April 14-16, 2023 – Allegheny League of Municipalities (ALOM) Spring Conference

April 19, 2023 – QVCOG Board of Delegates Meeting – 7:00 p.m. - Bellevue Borough Building

April 26, 2023 – QVCOG Managers and Secretaries Committee Meeting – 10:00 a.m. - Aleppo Township Municipal Building