



October 20, 2020

MAYOR'S REPORT

- **Requests/Complaints**
 - Parking-lot potholes @ Rite Aid, Dollar General and Goodwill (completed, finally)
 - Resident requested mirror for pulling out on 861/66 (deferred to PennDOT)
 - Resident requested gender reveal in municipal parking lot (deferred to Council)
- **Police Department**
 - Digitizing daily log forms to improve efficiency (in progress)
 - Security cameras – Beamer completed upgrades
 - Interview of officer w/ Chief & President Kerle as part of civil service requirements
- **Community Events**
 - Chamber & Lion's Club Halloween Parade (cancelled)
 - Distributing candy in municipal parking-lot during trick-or-treat
 - Trick-or-Treat scheduled for Saturday October 31st from 6-8pm
 - Big Buck Contest and Gun Raffle – see Fire Company report (below)
 - Chamber Christmas Parade and Fire Company Snack w/ Santa (both cancelled)
- **Northwest Bank Building**
 - Bank will close December 16th, but preschool will remain open till April 2021
 - Northwest are receiving interested applicants to purchase building
 - Conducted Facebook survey to obtain public feedback/suggestions
 - Thanks to the public for many wonderful ideas!
- **Blight Committee**
 - Contacted Borough Solicitor for price quote to update ordinances
 - Top ten (10) most popular ordinances updated/digitized for 2021
 - Penny Campbell & Matt Darr of Clarion County Housing Authority to present
- **FEMA – BRIC Grant**
 - Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)
 - BRIC pre-disaster mitigation grant program and the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)
 - Grant Application Period from Sept. 2020 to Jan. 2021; project selection Summer 2021
 - <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities>



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- **Junior Borough Councilman**

- Still actively seeking interested Redbank Valley High School Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors who live within New Bethlehem Borough
 - NewBethlehemBoro.com/junior-council-person

POLICE ASSOCIATION REPORT

- Proposed logo/brochure – first draft presented
- Setup Scholarship for high school student interested in law enforcement related career
- Currently 60+ members – still recruiting more members/volunteers

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- Big Buck 2020 contest had been cancelled, then several volunteers made it happen
 - Contact any member of the fire company to purchase tickets/pins
- Meetings 2nd Tuesday of every month @ 7pm @ New Bethlehem Fire Hall

RVMA REPORT

- October meeting was cancelled
- First draft of annual budget to be presented at November meeting (fiscal budget due in April)
- Meetings 3rd Thursday of every month @ 7pm @ Windstream/Alltel Building 212 Lafayette St.

OLD BUSINESS TODO LIST

- Sidewalk Repairs
- Rental Inspection Ordinance

Respectfully,

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**MAYOR OF
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New Bethlehem Borough fosters business, community, and personal growth within the borough while maintaining the small town appeal and family friendly environment that makes New Bethlehem a great place to work, live and raise a family.