



**Borough of  
New Bethlehem**  
Incorporated February 12, 1853

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Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

- **Public Requests/Concerns**
  - Resident requested Borough/Chamber host local 'Vendor Fridays' (In-progress)
  - Resident requested handicap accessible playground development (In-progress)
- **Support Letters**
  - Wrote letter of support for CCEDC Clarion County Main Street Initiative
    - Benefits New Bethlehem and Southern Clarion County (economic development)
  - Wrote letter of support for Route 28 Connector
    - Benefits New Bethlehem transportation, Smuckers, traffic improvements
- **Economic Revitalization**
  - Clarion County Economic Development Corporation (CCEDC) hosting Regional Main Street Initiative at New Bethlehem Town Center on Tuesday August 29<sup>th</sup> at 3pm
- **Codification Ordinances**
  - Completed revisions of ordinances with Borough Committee; submitted to General Code
  - Improved accessibility, public transparency, and communication w/ residents etc.
- **Events Attended/Supported**
  - Redbank Valley Public Library 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Southern Clarion Community Days, Clarion-Venango-Forest Farm Festival, Char-Val Creamery Grand Opening, The Minister Speaks LV Column, Men's Prayer Breakfast, Guest Preaching
- **Community**
  - RV Municipal Park Bluegrass Festival - Friday & Saturday Sept 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - RV Historical Society – Events/Activities throughout the year: [FB.com/RVHistory](https://www.facebook.com/RVHistory)
  - RV Church Association
    - Community Church Services and Events; [FB.com/NBRVCA](https://www.facebook.com/NBRVCA)
  - RV Chamber of Commerce (*seeking more Board Members*)
    - New Bethlehem Peanut Butter Festival – Sept. 15, 16, 17 @ Gumtown Park
    - See weekly Chamber social media for latest info: [FB.com/RVChamber](https://www.facebook.com/RVChamber)
    - Monthly meetings third Monday of every month at 5:30pm at Windstream building
  - RV Community Center
    - Events and Activities throughout the year: [FB.com/RVCommunityCenter](https://www.facebook.com/RVCommunityCenter)
    - Monthly meetings fourth Tuesday of every month at 7pm at Community Center

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**REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

- *Report provided by Councilman Don Heeter and/or Councilman Bryan Ruth*
- Police Building Sales Agreement | Updating Civil Service Procedures/Policy | Got new car
- Meetings set the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at the Windstream/Alltel Building @ 7pm

**POLICE ASSOCIATION REPORT**

- *Report provided by Councilman Don Heeter* | Cornhole Tournament Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> | Hoagie Sales TBA
- Upcoming Events: [FB.com/SCPoliceAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/SCPoliceAssociation) | Summer Sizzler winner, Joe's Pizza Tickets
- Meetings; monthly rotation in East Brady @ East Brady Community Center, in New Bethlehem @ Redbank Valley Community Center and Rimersburg Municipal Building @ 7pm

**FIRE COMPANY REPORT**

- *Report provided by Councilman Scott Barrett and/or Councilman Brian Fox*
- [FB.com/NewBethlehemFire](https://www.facebook.com/NewBethlehemFire) | Relisted fire truck on Municibid @ 30K
- Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month @ 7pm @ New Bethlehem Fire Hall

**RVMA REPORT**

- *Report provided by President Lisa Kerle*
- Carbon Feed System installed | Smart Meter replacement project | Applying for grant
- Alerts/Notices: Water Main Breaks, Emergencies, Boil Water notices – [FB.com/RVMAOnline](https://www.facebook.com/RVMAOnline)
- Meetings 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month @ 7pm @ Windstream/Alltel Building 212 Lafayette St.

**OLD BUSINESS TODO LIST**

- Sidewalk Repairs

Respectfully,

*Gordon V. Barrows*

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