



Rev. Dr. Gordon V. Barrows

February 18th, 2025

MAYOR'S REPORT

- **Public Requests/Concerns**
 - Local business requesting community support projects from local non-profits/borough.
 - Chamber requesting rental/usage form for Gumtown Park for 2025 events/activities.
 - Crafter Saturdays from May to Oct. 9am to 4pm (municipal lot permission)
 - Low lying lot behind 802 Broad Street subject to flooding; culvert/embankment?
- **Playground/Park Project**
 - Outside community members serving on Park Committee/Commission for Borough
 - **Park committee needs established tonight: contact members, set first meeting date?**
 - For 2025; electrical upgrades, security cameras, & seeking grants/funding for playground.
 - Standard Operating Procedures & Policies need to be drafted (delegate to new committee).
 - General SOP, Rental/Usage Form, Scheduling Calendar...
- **Phone System & Security Cameras**
 - Phone System
 - \$445.20/year phone service. One-time \$69.99 phone. Installation/Setup @ \$150/h
 - Voice attendant/routing, voicemail-to-email transcription, not location specific
 - See attached quote/estimate and scope of work.
 - Security Cameras - executive session
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- **Ordinance Update Committee**
 - Next set of ordinances for committee to review/update?
- **Letter of Support & Grants**
 - Wrote letter of support for grant to help Redbank Valley Trail Association
 - Wrote two (2) letters of support for State Rep. and Senator to support Police Dept.
- **Events Attended/Supported**
 - President's Day Bingo, RV Boys/Girls KSAC Champs, Valentines Day, Spaghetti Dinner (Hurricane Victims), RVCA Lenten Schedule, Men's Prayer Breakfast
- **Community**
 - CHAMBER: [Facebook.com/RVChamber](https://www.facebook.com/RVChamber) for weekly publication of events/activities
 - Annual Dinner, Sat., March 29, 2025 @ Trinity Hall (**Biz & Cit. of the Year**)
 - COMMUNITY CENTER: temporarily closed, under Leatherwood Church management.
 - HISTORY SOCIETY: March 10th – Gary Barlett Arblaster Program & Hawthorn Pottery
 - CHURCH ASSOC. - \$500 scholarship app. @ [RVChurchAssociation.org/scholarships](https://www.RVChurchAssociation.org/scholarships)

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REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- *Report provided by Councilman Don Heeter and/or Councilman Bryan Ruth*
- Ordinance Officer approved/started | Hiring Treasurer/CPA | Approved hiring bonus (1K)
- Looking to hire more full-time & part-time – advertisement in newspaper/social media.
- Meetings set the 4th Thursday of each month at the Windstream/Alltel Building @ 7pm

POLICE ASSOCIATION REPORT

- *Report provided by Mayor Gordon Barrows*
- Membership Recruitment Drive (Flyer and merch) | Char-Val Candies Fundraiser
- Membership Picnic in May @ Gumtown Park? | Tools/Gun Bash Fundraiser (July/Sept)
- Upcoming Events: [FB.com/SCPoliceAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/SCPoliceAssociation) | Purchased laptop for Treasurer
- Monthly meetings to being old rotation between communities starting in January 2025

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- *Report provided by Councilman Scott Barrett and/or Councilman Brian Fox*
- [FB.com/NewBethlehemFire](https://www.facebook.com/NewBethlehemFire) | New members Jim Lamont & Gabriella Smith
- Pistol, Purses & Cash Bingo went very well! | Fish Frys & Ham Bingo (Set Dates)
- Meetings 2nd Tuesday of every month @ 7pm @ New Bethlehem Fire Hall

RVMA REPORT

- *Report provided by President Lisa Kerle*
- Meeting is this Thursday 2/20/25 – Reorganization of board members
- 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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