

**BENSALEM TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday
August 26, 2019**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joseph Knowles, President
Ed Kisselback, Vice President, Absent
Joseph Pilieri, Secretary
Jesse Sloane, Member
Ed Tokmajian, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Mayor Joseph DiGirolamo
Ron Gans, Township Engineer
Joseph Pizzo, Township Solicitor
Lauren Gallagher, Township Solicitor
Debora McBreen, Council Clerk/Recording Secretary

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Council President Knowles opened the meeting with a moment of silence and prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEASE NOTE:

The minutes are not verbatim but rather a synopsis of what transpired during the meeting, and while I do my best to attribute remarks and questions to the correct individuals, there may be mistakes or omissions because of the “back and forth” dialogue and the **lack of the use of the microphones.**

AGENDA ADDENDUM – AQUA

Council President Knowles, per the request of the Mayor, asked council to amend the agenda to allow the representative from Aqua speak before council. **Council Secretary Pilieri** motioned to amend as requested and **Council Member Sloane** seconded, the motion carried 4-0.

The **Mayor** indicated that Administration had received calls regarding the rate increase and had contacted Aqua to request a representative to come before council to explain, in detail, the reasoning for the rate increase. **Mark Lucca**, President of Aqua Pennsylvania, explained, in detail, the service supplied to our community and the surrounding communities. **Mr. Lucca** also explained, in detail, the work done on Infrastructure Improvements. It is important to note that there are two sources of supply that serve the system, the Bristol

Water Treatment Plant, located on the Delaware River, from which the community gets about 86% of its water and the Neshaminy Water Treatment Plant, located on the Neshaminy Creek which provides about 14% of its water to the community. Mr. Lucca announced that the Bristol Water Treatment Plant won an award this year for the “Best Tasting Water” across the state of Pennsylvania. **Mr. Lucca** explained in detail the Capital Improvements, some of those improvements that were done in this area are as follows: the Bristol Tank, a 2-million-gallon storage tank that was over 5 million dollars that was restored a few years ago. Upgrades to the Neshaminy Water Treatment Plant, 54.8 million dollars have been spent on that since 2002 and over 30 million since 2012. In Bristol Borough, Aqua has spent over 15.7 million dollars and over 10 million dollars since 2012. Bensalem has enjoyed a rate subsidy since 1999, when it was paying about 46% of its full cost of service, now over the 20 years that subsidy has reduced and as a result of Aqua’s last rate case, which just concluded in May of this year, Bensalem is now paying its full cost of service. The rate adjustment is consistent with the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission philosophy on regionalism and gradualism, in other words they don’t want to see rate spikes, they want to see rates be more regionally applied. **Mr. Lucca** explained that rates can only be adjusted through the approved process of the Public Utilities Commission, that process takes 9 months. The rate case that concluded in May of this year was actually filed in August of last year. During that time there were thousands of pages of documents submitted to explain and describe what project and improvements that Aqua made and how Aqua expends its expense dollars which had to be explained in great detail. All of that information goes into the decision of the Administrative Law Judge, a recommendation is made, and then rates are adjusted however the Public Utilities Commission decides. The last rate case for Bensalem was back in 2012. **Mr. Lucca** expressed Aqua is here to address not only the needs of the community today, but well into the future. Mr. Lucca thanked council for their time.

Council Questions:

Member Tokmajian reiterated Mr. Lucca’s statement of 54.8 million dollars spent at the Neshaminy Water Treatment Plant then asked why Aqua was only using 14%. Mr. Lucca explained that the facility is used to its fullest capacity but the way the system is operated only 14% is needed on a daily basis to come into the Bensalem community. **Council Member Tokmajian’s** other point was Bristol Borough had a lot of capital improvements but did not hear any improvements for Bensalem. **Mr. Lucca** explained that he did not go over the whole list and had many pages of improvements and continued to explain since 2002, 111 million dollars and 70 million dollars since 2012 has been spent in capital improvements in Bensalem Township. **Member Tokmajian** asked for more detail for the rate subsidy. **Mr. Lucca** described the rates are based off of a cost of service, the cost of service is all the things **Mr. Lucca** explained during his presentation, that being capital investment, cost of power, chemicals, labor, vehicles, all that goes into a cost of service. The full cost of service would be what the consumer would pay for all of that, today, that would be \$65.00 per month on the average water bill.

Council Secretary Pilieri spoke in regards to the rate increase and it is strictly done through the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission and not through the township. **Mr. Lucca** replied, that is correct.

Council Member Sloane spoke in regards to recent concerns, not in Bensalem, but in nearby areas with contamination of PFAS in the water supply. Mr. Lucca explained in detail how Aqua monitors for PFAS in the water system. Member Sloane asked Mr. Lucca if Bensalem received any of the water supply from any of the areas around our community that were contaminated, that being the Warminster area, and Mr. Lucca replied, no, not to his knowledge.

Council President Knowles asked **Solicitor Pizzo** if there were any changes to the agenda. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated agenda item numbers 4 and 5 regarding Echo Bensalem, LLC the counsel for this applicant, Mr. Adleman is requesting the items to be tabled until the first council meeting in November. Mr. Adleman spoke on behalf of the applicant, Echo Bensalem LLC, and asked council to table the two items as they evaluate their options before proceeding forward. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated Mr. Adleman, as part of his request, is granting a waiver of the various requirements for consideration of the Land Development application to the end of November, November thirty. **Council Secretary Pilieri** motioned to table the two agenda items until November 12th, **Council Member Tokmajian** seconded and motion carried 4-0.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Council President Knowles asked if the party was present who requested assistance with the meeting in regards to the interpreter. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated the township received notice from an individual by the name of Rhonda Abbott, a resident of New Jersey, who indicated she would attend this evenings council meeting to speak to council, she advised the township that she was in need of an ASL interpreter. The township has secured the services of an interpreter for Ms. Abbott, if Ms. Abbott is present, **Council President Knowles** has agreed to allow Ms. Abbott to speak during the first of two Public Comment portions. The interpreter was asked to address the audience to see if Ms. Abbott was in attendance. Ms. Abbott was not present at this time.

3. **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES, JULY 8TH, 2019:**

Council Secretary Pilieri motioned to approve the minutes as presented, **Council Member Tokmajian** seconded and the vote carried 4-0.

4. **CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE – TEXT AMENDMENT – ECHO BENSLEM, LLC:**

Tabled to a date certain of November 12th, 2019

5. **CONSIDERATION OF A FINAL AMENDED LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN:**

Applicant:	Echo Bensalem, LLC
Location:	2721 Street Road – Giant Shopping Center
Proposed Use:	Four Gasoline Dispensing Pumps
Zoning Classification:	GC – General Commercial
Tax Parcel:	2-37-60, 60-1, 60-2 and 60-3

Tabled to a date certain of November 12th, 2019

6. **CONSIDERATION OF A FINAL AMENDED LANDED DEVELOPMENT PLAN:**

Applicant: Lennar MPA, LLC
Location: 2375, 2233 & 2207 State Road
Proposed Use: Mixed Use Development
Zoning Classification: MXD – Mixed Use Development
Tax Parcel: 2-65-22, 2-64-138, 2-64-13

Due to technical difficulty the overhead projection and hand-held microphone were temporarily out of commission.

Mr. Adleman, on behalf of the applicant, stated this is a request to change the phasing lines of an already approved and under construction plan and at that meeting in June there were neighbors from the existing homes from the development who came forward and expressed a number of concerns and complaints with respect to miscellaneous items including warranty issues also potential drainage issues. Subsequent to that meeting the Lennar team of representatives, who are present this evening, along with the township engineer have had multiple onsite visits as well as remedial work done to address those issues. One of the issues on the plans that came up that was cited in the Township Engineers memo was that there were in the multi-family units 148 units listed when there was only 144 multi-family units were approved, that was a typo, so the plan was revised and sent back to the township engineer and so now it says 144 multi-family units as discussed at that meeting.

Lennar Team of Representatives:

Dan Stewart – explained what was happening in the area with the poor drainage and what was done to resolve it by discharging the flow and capturing it and conveying it into the storm system. **Council Member Sloane** asked if those plans were optional on the original design. **Mr. Stewart** explained the design was not optional but more of a corrective action. **Council Member Sloane** asked if they were going to change how they do future construction in phase two in light of this issue might occur again. Mr. Stewart indicated it is common practice in construction if an area is not functioning per the design than of course there would be modifications in order to correct that situation. **Quinton Nearon**, T & M Associates, inspected the new piping system, which he reported, resolved the poor drainage issue in that area.

Sam Carlo – as far as the items were of a concern that were addressed at the last meeting, those issues have been resolved.

Jodi McCool – explained the process of the warranty issues and how they are disbursed when received. Mignatti has been working with Lennar through the transition. **Ms. McCool** indicated the warranty issue calls are answered within 72 hours. **Ms. McCool** assured council that Lennar is committed to servicing the request of the community.

Waterside Residents:

Kate McQuillian, 151D Prince George Street, condensation on her windows, shaking of her unit, believed to be structural, carpet to the wood impression tile has a large gap due to the sub-floor not being the same as the other floor.

Lennar Representative:

Sam Carlo explained Mignatti and Lennar are working together to resolve the tenant's issues.

Council Secretary Pilieri asked the Lennar Representatives to address Ms. McQuillian's concerns as one of the issues is regarding public safety and it would be better if Lennar fixed those issues and just turned around and billed Mignatti for those repairs. **Council Secretary Pilieri** asked the Lennar representatives to commit to a time frame to address Ms. McQuillian's concerns. **Ms. McCool** committed to September for Ms. McQuillians issues. **Quinton Nearon** will look into the requests being handled by Lennar.

Council Secretary Pilieri made a motion to approve the plan with the stipulation that Lennar will follow through with what they committed to this evening, **Council Member Tokmajian** seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

7. CONSIDERATION AND SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS:

Applicant:	BSV Housing, LP
Location:	3055 Mechanicsville Road
Proposed Use:	3 story bldg. w/40 residential units for senior veteran citizens
Zoning Classification:	BP – Business Professional
Tax Parcel:	2-37-63

Solicitor Pizzo indicated council granted the Land Development approval for this project earlier this year. The Solicitors office has prepared the Land Development Improvement agreement and the Storm Water Management agreement for the project, they have been signed by the developer along with the escrows, all of which have been posted and are in order. The agreements are in order and acceptable for your consideration and approval.

Council Secretary Pilieri made a motion to approve as presented, **Council Member Sloane** seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

8. CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 537 PA SEWAGE FACILITIES:

Solicitor Pizzo indicated this is the DEP required Resolution for the amendment of the Act 537 Plan for Carleighs Castles, LLC located at 3674 Grandview Avenue. The land development was previously approved by council and the Resolution is in a form acceptable for councils' consideration and approval.

Council Member Tokmajian motioned to approve, **Council Member Sloane** seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

9. CONSIDERATION OF A REDUCTION OF PERMIT FEES:

Council Member Sloane asked if council does the reduction on the township surcharge. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated that the township did do that and the state surcharge is the one that cannot be waived. **Council Member Sloane** motioned to approve the 50% waiver of fees as requested by **Samuel K. Faust Elementary School** located at 2901 Bellview Drive, **Council Secretary Pilieri** seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

10. CONSIDERATION OF A REDUCTION OF PERMIT FEES:

Solicitor Pizzo indicated that Holy Ghost Preparatory School is asking for the same waivers that council granted last year. **Council Member Tokmajian** motioned to approve the 50% reduction of fees, **Council Secretary Pilieri** seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

11. REQUEST FOR A WAIVER OF CURBS AND SIDEWALKS:

Applicant: Neil & Luisa McFadden
Site Information: 4408 Elk Avenue
Tax Parcel: 2-17-67

Engineer Gans recommended a waiver for curbs and sidewalks subject to a payment of a fee in lieu of which would be \$4,233.00. **Council Secretary Pilieri** made a motion to approve, **Council Member Tokmajian** seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

12. REQUEST FOR A WAIVER OF CURBS AND SIDEWALKS:

Applicant: Matthew Torres
Site Information: 4219 Roberts Circle
Tac Parcel: 2-77-6

Engineer Gans recommended a waiver of curbs and sidewalks subject to a payment of a fee in lieu of which would be \$5,081.30. **Council Secretary Pilieri** made a motion to approve, **Council Member Tokmajian** seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

13. CONSIDERATION OF AN ESCROW RELEASE:

Applicant: Livingrin Foundation, Inc. – Release #3 – Phase 1
Location: 4833 Hulmeville Road

Tax Parcel: 2-33-96
Amount: \$ 31,453.98

Engineer Gans recommend release subject to an audit by the Finance department. **Council Secretary Pilieri** motioned to approve, **Council Member Tokmajian** seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

14. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Rhonda Abbott was asked to come forward along with the interpreter. Ms. Abbott's mailing address is PO Box 4644, Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034. Ms. Abbot asked approximately how many employees worked for Bensalem. **Solicitor Pizzo** responded 200. Ms. Abbot asked who is appointed as Bensalem's ADA Coordinator. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated the Director of Administration, Mr. William Cmorey, is the townships ADA Coordinator. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated Mr. Cmorey is not appointed but as the Director of Administration he wears several hats. Chief among them, is to oversee the township Administration and he also serves as the townships Community Development Coordinator and the communities ADA Coordinator among other things. **Ms. Abbott** indicated under Title 2 of the ADA if you have 50 or more employees then you should have appointed an ADA Coordinator and also and ADA Grievance policy. **Ms. Abbott** was shocked when she was told there was not an ADA Coordinator when she had visited the township two weeks ago. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated that the law requires to designate at least one responsible employee to coordinate ADA compliance. The township has done that, Mr. Cmorey oversees townships ADA compliance. Different facets of ADA compliance are done by different employees at different times depending on what the ADA issue may be. But generally, Mr. Cmorey is responsible for making sure that is done. **Ms. Abbott** asked for a copy of the ADA Grievance policy, **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated he would be happy to provide the policy. **Ms. Abbott's** second issue was with the police department and explained in detail that situation.

Angela Caccio, 6612 Center Avenue, asked the Mayor and council to consider designating September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Bensalem. Each September people "go gold" and raise awareness of the need for more research. **Toni Yost, 1617 Hampton Road** and **Stephanie Yost, 1617 Hampton Road** introduced themselves. Information regarding a township contact was given to Ms. Caccio.

Allan Windsor, 3232 Azalea Avenue, spoke regarding the Old Lincoln Highway and Bristol Road property, where Bridges Flower Mart use to be, wood chips are being discarded and furniture is being left, it is really starting to look like a dump and suggested this should be a blighted area.

Eileen Keefe, 1318 Rosalie Avenue, thanked council and the employees for their service. **Ms. Keefe** explained that on every corner of Eddington the curved curbs where the stormwater grates are located need to be replaced. Would like to know why not every street in Eddington does not have curbs. **Mayor** explained that for Phase 2 he can try to look at doing this and getting it into the budget. **Engineer Gans** indicated he would have someone take a look to see how deteriorated the stormwater curbs are in the Eddington area, specifically the one at Rosalie and Forrest. **Ms. Keefe** asked if it was possible to have

sidewalks all along Hulmeville Road and indicated it is very dangerous along Hulmeville Road. Ms. Keefe indicated along Bristol Pike in certain areas there were curbs and sidewalks, wanted to know why all of Bristol Pike was not like this, Mayor explained that those property owners came before council who required those properties to install curbs and sidewalks. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated when the first phase of Bristol Pike was done, from Woodhaven to City Line which was part of a township initiative to create more of a village feel for Andalusia and the decorative street lights and the sidewalks were put in for the length. The township encountered a lot of resistance from a lot of the property owners who were involved because these owners would have to relocate their signs and what have you, which was a detrimental expense to some of the property owners, so it is not an easy task to have curbs and sidewalks installed in certain areas, there are many issues to be dealt with for installation of the curbs and sidewalks. **Ms. Keefe** explained that she was working with the police department as to getting a Town Watch for her neighborhood.

Dorothy Elliott, 1718 Woodbine Avenue, asked if there has been any progress with the water from the Golf Course. The **Mayor** told Ms. Elliott that the Golf Course was being surveyed and the township is looking into putting a basin on the golf course. **Ms. Elliott** indicated there was a 30-foot pipe coming down June Avenue and a 30-foot pipe coming down Woodbine into an 18-inch pipe, she was told when they surveyed the pipe after dredging and cleaning it out, it had completely collapsed. The **Mayor** said that he was told it was an open pipe. **Ms. Elliott** told the Mayor that Mr. Snyder never reached out to the neighbors. Along with other complaints from Ms. Elliott regarding the construction near her home, the Mayor instructed Ron Gans to take notes and look into the situation at 1718 Woodbine Avenue. **Ms. Elliott** wanted to know what was going on with the Snyder properties. **Council Member Sloane** told Ms. Elliott that nothing was ever changed on the lot lines. Council received notice that Mr. Snyder had withdrawn his proposal for the lot line change. **Solicitor Pizzo** contacted Mr. Nearon, who is dealing with a family emergency, regarding the collapsed pipe, the televising report does not indicate a collapsed pipe, Mr. Nearon has been out to the site during two rain events and the pipes are flowing. Mr. Gans and Mr. Benner will follow up per the Mayors instructions. The report doesn't indicate a collapsed section. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated that the four lot lines that were drawn to turn them into three lots was withdrawn by the applicant. Solicitor Pizzo indicated that he spoke to Mr. Nearon earlier today and plans have been submitted to the township to build a house on the middle lot and those building permits are under review by the township engineer's office at this time. Ms. Elliott indicated when they are working on the corner house there are cars and trucks all along Woodbine Avenue which traffic can barely get through, anyone turning onto Woodbine cannot see the traffic coming from around the curve. A discussion regarding No Parking along Woodbine ensued. The Mayor indicated that he will talk to the police department.

Geraldine Ryan 1702 Woodbine Avenue, complained about the builder, Mr. Thomas Snyder, and Quinton Nearon not meeting with the neighbors. Russ Benner with T & M Associates indicated Mr. Nearon will be scheduling a meeting this week with the residents.

Seeing no one else come forward the second of two Public Comments was closed.

15. OTHER BUSINESS:

Ron Gans, Township Engineer, wished everyone a Happy Labor Day.

Solicitor Pizzo, explained that he can understand any resident's frustration with issues when neighboring properties are causing their quality of life being less than what they had hoped for or for it to be. We have had a record amount of rainfall in this township this year, several inches over the norm. Unfortunately, Quinton Nearon is not here to defend himself against suggestions that he somehow is not doing his job. There is no one that does more for the residents of this township during those rain events than Quinton Nearon. There is a list of properties in this township that he goes out on a regular basis when there are rain events to observe because of the complaints. He may not be ringing the doorbell to say I'm here, but he is doing it and he is doing it for the people of this township. He is out there trying to gather the information and trying to observe and to figure out solutions. The Woodbine Avenue situation, yes it has been one, but it certainly has been contentious for the neighbor's vis-a-vis the builder. The Mayor indicated earlier that the township has gone out and retained an engineer specifically for the purpose of identifying and designing a solution to keep rainfall from coming off of the Golf Course crossing Hulmeville Road and going onto the properties. Plans are being reviewed, surveys are being done and schematics are being prepared so that work can be accomplished. The township has sent people out there to televise the line and as far as the township knows they are open and water is flowing. The township is looking at the situation regarding this builder least in as far as are there still things that can be done. He has received a less than warm reception from the neighbors and he has received a less than warm reception from this council, which in part is why he withdrew his plans. And as Council Secretary Pilieri said, it shows the five people up here did what you were asking them to do, they took him to task, they held him accountable and ultimately he decided it was easier for him to pull his plans rather than try to satisfy the neighbors and to try and satisfy the township. That doesn't give us the right to then go ahead and stop him from otherwise building what he is allowed to build. The township will continue to verify and continue to make sure that he doing what he needs to be doing. Council has done what you have asked them to do, there has been no one simple solution, no magic switch for problems that by your own admission have existed for years. Solicitor Pizzo defended the township and the township council in his statement.

Mayor wished everyone a safe and Happy Labor Day.

Council Member Sloane indicated in 2018 the Mayor recommend Mr. Farrall be appointed as our Director of Building and Planning. That decision was approved with the condition that he resign as the council member of the Hatfield Borough Council. As of August 5th, he has not done that, not only has he not resigned but he is on the ballot for re-election this year and has already won his primary election which means he signed petitions to get on the ballot for re-election. His name is still listed on the Hatfield Borough website, his name is still listed on the letterhead for the Borough of Hatfield, and so due to his clear violation of the conditions of his approval and hiring Mr. Sloane put forward a motion for council to request the resignation of Mr. Farrall, Mr. Tokmajian said he would seconded the motion. Council Secretary Pilieri indicated that the agenda would have to be amended. **Solicitor Pizzo** said he was provided a copy of Mr. Farralls letter of resignation which he was told by Mr. Farrall was tendered to the Hatfield Borough Council. Solicitor Pizzo was also advised by

Mr. Farrall that he filed to have his name be taken off the ballot and according to the Montgomery Board of Elections request was filed and received on August 6th and Salvatore Delisio, Jr. is now running in Mr. Farrall's place as of August 22nd, 2019. **Council Secretary Pilieri** indicated that you cannot make a motion without amending the agenda. **Council Member Sloane** asked Solicitor Pizzo if this was a correct statement. **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated that this has been the process of all the years he had been here. **Council Secretary Pilieri** would like to see all the information and not just go by what someone is saying. **Council Member Sloane** indicated he had copies of the meeting minutes from August 5th and the election results. **Council Secretary Pilieri** said that **Council Member Sloane** should have supplied the information to each council member before addressing this before council. **Council Secretary Pilieri** asked **Council Member Tokmajian** if he discussed this with **Council Member Sloane** before the meeting this evening, **Council Member Tokmajian** replied, yes. **Council President Knowles** indicated that no one discussed this with him before the meeting. The documentation was not supplied to the rest of council, the information was kept between **Council Member Sloane** and **Council Member Tokmajian**. A conversation ensued regarding laws "if" one of the council members resigned from the board, **Solicitor Pizzo** explained in length those laws for second class townships. **Council Secretary Pilieri** asked to have the documents from **Council Member Sloane** shared with the rest of council. **Council Member Sloane** said he would like to see this on the next agenda and discuss it further with copies of the meeting minutes from November where council approved, with condition of his resigning, and **Council Member Sloane** would definitely supply the information he had collated for tonight. **Council Secretary Pilieri** suggested Mr. Farrall come to a meeting to explain himself regarding his resignation. **Council Member Sloane** withdrew the motion and requested to **Council President Knowles** this be put on the next agenda for the next council meeting.

Council Member Sloane wished everyone a Happy Labor Day and indicated Bensalem Schools had the first day today and had hoped everyone had a great day and a good school year.

Council Member Tokmajian spoke regarding the last Planning Commission meeting, Colmar Avenue, is this something that will come in front of council at some point? **Solicitor Pizzo** indicated it would not, in this case, the State Redevelopment Act, our Planning Commission is the one who votes to accept the blight report and authorizes the administration to set the wheels in motion to have the property either to have the blight removed or have the property condemned if they failed to either cure the blight or submit a plan acceptable to the township for the removal of the blight. The plan is for the Redevelopment Authority to act on a condemnation motion assuming that the property owners don't do what they need to do and we don't anticipate they will. The Redevelopment Authority will be voting to condemn at their September or October meeting at the latest, then the RDA will condemn the property, clear the property; and put the property up for sale. All the costs that the RDA and the township have, including all the liens that we have had, and the court cost will attempt to get recovered from out of the proceeds from the sale.

Council Member Tokmajian thanked the Mayor and Chuck McMullin, Director of Parks and Rec, for Bensalem having a nice soccer kick wall located at Firefighters Field. Have a safe Labor Day and welcome back to school.

Council Secretary Pilieri wanted to thank the police department, the rescue squad and our paid fire department for welcoming the kids back to their first day of school. Happy Labor Day and be safe.

Solicitor Pizzo indicated the Bensalem Mobile Stroke Unit was placed into operation earlier this month. They already had a call 9 minutes from curb to that patient being on the CAT scan inside of the ambulance and in contact with the neurologist at Jefferson. This is the first of its kind anywhere. Jefferson choose this community; they choose our Bensalem Rescue Squad and it's a wonderful thing.

Council President Knowles thanked **Council Secretary Pilieri** for bringing up the police meeting the children at school and it is very important for our police to build a relationship with our children. Enjoy your Labor Day and the next meeting is September 9th.

Council Secretary Pilieri made a motion to adjourn, **Council Member Tokmajian** seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debora F. McBreen
Recording Secretary

