



Ebensburg Borough Council Meeting
Monday, June 26, 2017
6:30 p.m.

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public are invited to comment at this time on any item appearing on the agenda.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the Council request specific items to be removed for separate action.

Item 9A: Approve the minutes of the May 22, 2017 regular monthly meeting of Borough Council.

Item 9B: Approve the Financial Statement.

Item 9C: Approve payment of bills. Vote to be recorded reflecting abstention by Councilor Kuhar on amount owed Kuhar.

Recommended Action – Approve the consent agenda.

2. APPOINTMENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Item 2A: Ebensburg Airport

Jim Link will attend the meeting to provide Council with an update on airport and RACRA activities.

Item 2B: Pete Spinelli

Mr. Spinelli wishes to discuss a stormwater issue from the street at his residence at 722 North Beech Street.

Item 2C: Brian & Vickie Soyka

Mr. & Mrs. Soyka wish to discuss improving safety for those exiting the swimming pool onto Manor Drive.

3. MAYOR'S REPORT

Item 3A: Report on Police Department

4. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMENTS

5. WATER, WASTEWATER & STORMWATER COMMITTEE

Houser & Kuhar

Item 5A: Report from Severn Trent Services on Wastewater Plant Operations

Plant Supervisor Mark Wirfel will provide a verbal report on projects and activities at the wastewater plant during the month.

Recommended Action – No action required.

Item 5B: Beech Street Stormwater Review

The Mayor inspected the extent to which the new Beech Street project handled the recent heavy rain. He will review photos of the rain event.

Recommended Action – No action required.

6. RECREATION COMMITTEE

Barber & Jacoby

7. STREET COMMITTEE

Cobaugh, Miller & Houser

8. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Barber, Jacoby & Kuhar

Item 8A: Part-time Police

Recommended Action – Make it a matter of record that Jared Shope was hired as part-time police officer, effective June 1st, at rate of \$14.00/hr.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- * Item 9A: Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
The minutes of the previous regular meeting are presented for Council review and approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the minutes of the previous meeting(s).

- * Item 9B: **Financial Statement**
The financial statement for May 2017 is presented for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the May 2017 financial statement.

- * Item 9C: **Bills**
A list of bills totaling \$216,563.50 is submitted for approval. The list of bills includes an account in the amount of \$853.72 payable to David Kuhar. An abstention will be recorded in the minutes on behalf of Councilor Kuhar on this particular bill.

Recommended Action – Approve payment of the bills as submitted.

Item 9D: Zoning Amendment

On occasion, property owners have asked about opening a Bed & Breakfast in their home. The Zoning Ordinance does not permit B&Bs in any residential district, allowing them only in Mixed Use-Village Commercial or Central Business District zones. Inquiries have been received from large older homes in the area of East Horner Street. It is not unusual for B&Bs to be permitted in residential districts in older towns.

If there is interest from Council in considering allowing B&Bs in residential districts, the matter should be referred to the planning commission for a recommendation. Considerations might include whether the property should be owner-occupied, and off-street parking requirements. The planning commission can develop draft language for Council's consideration.

Recommended Action – Forward to the planning commission a request for consideration of allowing B&Bs in the residential zoning districts.

10. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Item 10A: Police Department

Chief Wyland will provide a verbal report on the police department's activities during the month.

Item 10B: Public Works Department

Public Works Director Jeff Evans will provide a verbal report on the public works department's activities during the month.

Item 10C: Community Development

Community Development Director Dana Koss will provide a verbal report on the community development department's activities during the month.

Item 10D: Recreation Department

Recreation Director Dirk Johnson will provide a verbal report on the recreation department's activities during the month.

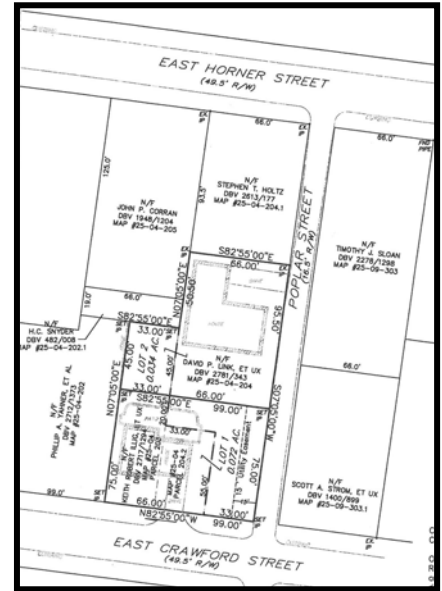
- * Item 10E: **Codes Enforcement**
A monthly codes enforcement report was forwarded to Council.

- * Item 10F: Ebensburg Municipal Authority
A copy of the minutes of the last municipal authority meeting is included in Council's packet.

Item 10G: Ebensburg Planning Commission

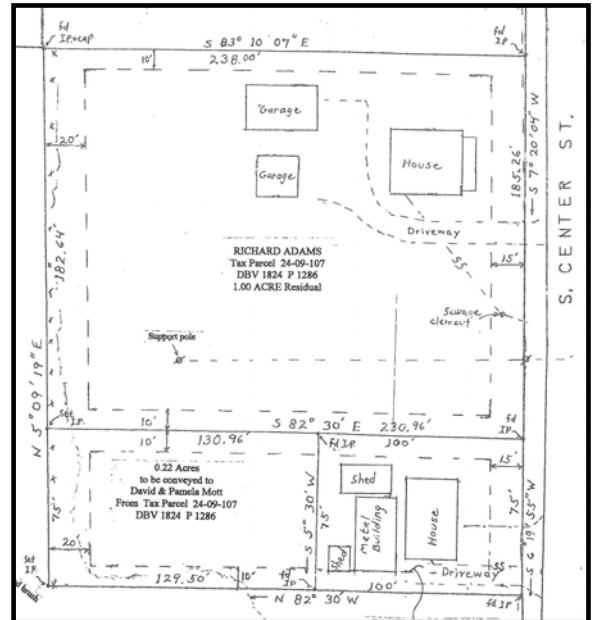
- * 1) David Link
Mr. Link purchased the former Kimball storage building on North Poplar Street. A swap of land was arranged with neighboring Illig. The trade of land results in straighter property lines and a more practical use of the property. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

Recommended Action – Grant approval to the realignment of two parcels 25-004.204.000 and 25-004.204.002.



- * 2) Richard Adams
Mr. Adams has agreed to transfer a portion of parcel to neighboring Mott. The transfer will result in both parcels being rectangular. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

Recommended Action – Grant approval to realignment of two parcels 24-009.108 and 24-009.107.

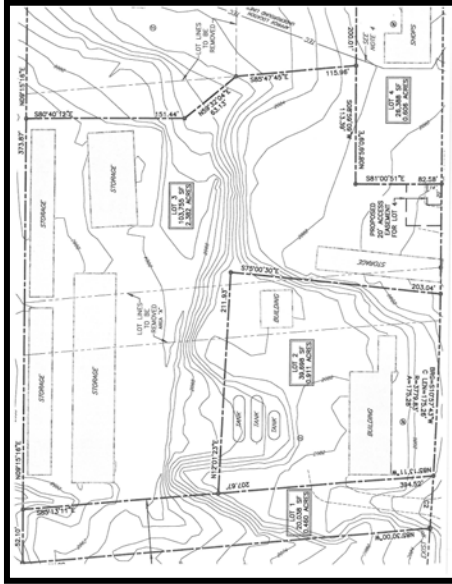


- 3) Zane Bianucci
Ebensburg Borough owns a 125-acre parcel on the west side of Center Street, north of the fairgrounds. The parcel includes a 50' x 400' section that connects the parcel to North Center Street, through frontage owned by Zane Bianucci. Over the years, parts of four storage unit buildings and another structure have been constructed on the borough-owned property. Mr. Bianucci is considering selling his property, and wishes to first acquire the 50' x 400' section in order to clear up the boundary line issues with the buildings.

In November 2016, Council approved trading the 50' wide section for a similarly sized section at the southern border where the Bianucci and borough properties meet.

The Planning Commission has reviewed the subdivision of 26-022.100.002 and recommends approval.





Recommended Action – Grant approval to realignment of two parcels 26-022.100.002 and 26-022.100.000.

* Item 10H: Ebensburg Zoning Board – No activity

11. MEDIA COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Representatives of the media are invited to comment and ask questions at this time on any issues, whether or not on the agenda.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public are invited to comment at this time on any issues, whether or not on the agenda.

13. ADJOURNMENT

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