



Ebensburg Borough Council Meeting
Monday, May 18, 2015
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 April 27, 2015 regular monthly meeting of Borough Council.

Item 9B: Approve the Financial Statement.

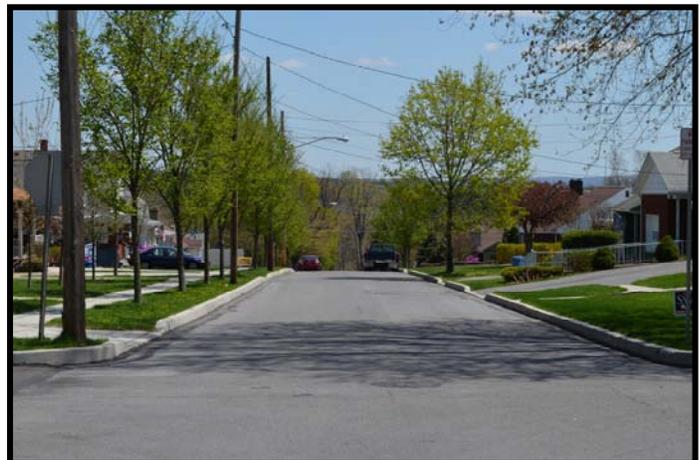
Item 9C: Approve payment of bills.

Item 10G: Grant final approval to the Ebensburg Oil & Gas subdivision.

Recommended Action – Approve the consent agenda.

2. APPOINTMENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Item 2A: East Highland Avenue Parking
Krista Jones wishes to address parking concerns on East Highland Avenue.



3. MAYOR’S REPORT

Item 3A: Report on Police Department

4. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMENTS

5. WATER, WASTEWATER & STORMWATER COMMITTEE

Kuhar & Houser

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

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

Recommended Action – No action required.

- * Item 5B: East Triumph Street Stormwater
Snyder Excavating’s work on East Triumph Street is completed.

Recommended Action – No action required.

- * Item 5C: North Beech Street Stormwater
Snyder Excavating is expected to begin this project soon.

Recommended Action – No action required.

Item 5D: Reservoir Valves

DEP is requiring that a “close inspection of the outlet conduit including appurtenant gates and valves” be conducted at both reservoirs. That has not been done since 2003. This issue was referred to the borough engineer to determine what technical requirements might be involved with such an inspection. Staff expects to have a recommendation for Council in June.

Recommended Action – No action required.

6. RECREATION COMMITTEE

Barber & Jacoby

Item 6A: Playground Fences

The chain link fence around the Memorial Field playground was replaced in 2013 with black aluminum fence. The new fence looks much better, is more durable, and the gates are more secure. \$10,000 was budgeted in 2015 to do the same at the east ward and center ward playgrounds.





The east ward playground is a relatively small job. The fence is on only two sides of the playground, and there are no gates. The old fence is broken in several places, the top rail is separated, and it just looks bad. The project estimate is \$2,025.

The center ward playground is a much larger project. It requires more linear feet of fence, three gates, and a 10' high section at the basketball court. The existing fence is broken, leaning, and looks more like a corral than a playground. The project estimate is \$9,900.



The Borough crew should have time this year to replace the smaller east ward fence. Staff suggests postponing the more time consuming center ward project until next year.

Recommended Action – Approve the installation of new aluminum fence at the east ward playground.

Item 6B: Playground Repairs

There are two components of playground structures that require replacement. Both are no longer available. They can be replaced with different types of components from the same manufacturer.



A 4' crawl tube at the east ward playground will be replaced with an open deck bridge. The small angled tube on the sliding board at Memorial Field is cracked, meaning that the entire tube slide will need to be replaced with an entirely new slide. The cost of replacing the parts is \$3,900.



Recommended Action – No action required.

7. STREET COMMITTEE

Lutz, Miller & Houser

Item 7A: Sidewalk Project

PennDOT received two bids for this year's sidewalk project, the lowest being \$1.3 million from Gordon DeLozier. The contract will take several weeks to process, and work should begin in early June. Borough crews will begin some of the related work this week including removal of tree stumps on South Center Street, replacement of stormwater basin tops on West High Street, and the installation of new stormwater drains on Rowena Drive.

8. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Lutz, Barber & Jacoby

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.

* Item 9B: Financial Statement

The financial statement for April 2015 is presented for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the April 2015 financial statement.

* Item 9C: Bills

A list of bills totaling \$203,643.63 is submitted for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve payment of the bills as submitted.

10. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Item 10A: Police Department

Chief Wyland will provide a verbal report on the police department's activities during the month. A written report was e-mailed to Council separately.

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 Danae Koss will provide a verbal report on the community development department's activities during the month.

Item 10D: Recreation Department

Recreation Director Matt Pfeil 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.

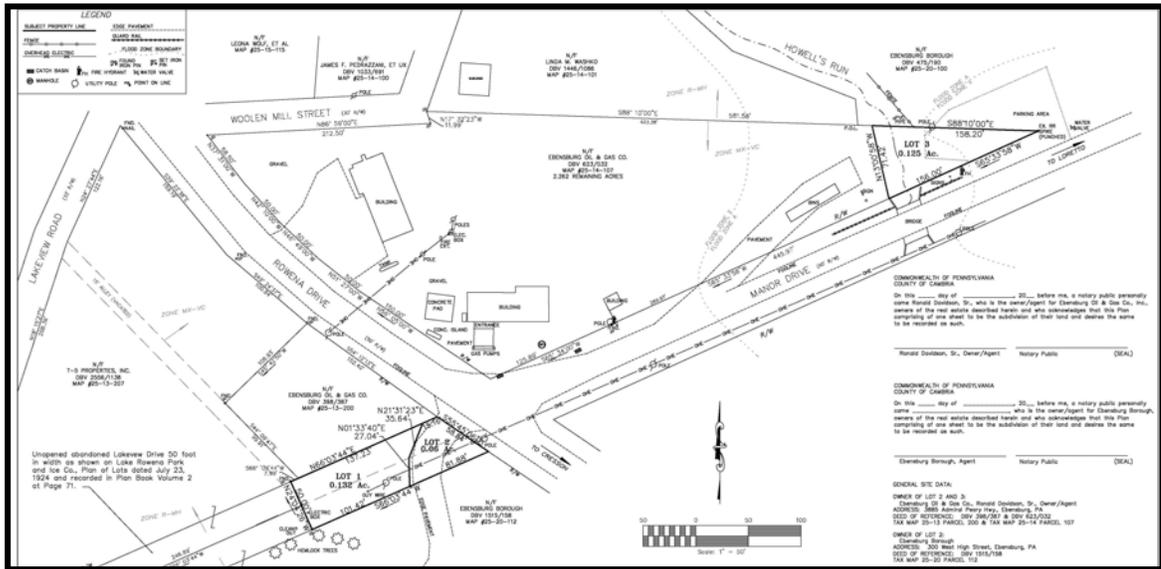
* Item 10F: Ebensburg Municipal Authority

The municipal authority meeting was held earlier in the day, and minutes are not yet available.

* Item 10G: Ebensburg Planning Commission

1) Ebensburg Oil & Gas

The planning commission approved a subdivision of properties at 927 Rowena Drive. This issue was first discussed with Council in October 2014. It involves the sharing of the remaining segment of a 50’ wide alley between Ebensburg Oil & Gas and Lake Rowena, and the exchange of parcels at Lions Field and the lake entrance.



Recommended Action – Grant final approval to the Ebensburg Oil & Gas subdivision.

* 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.

14. ADJOURNMENT

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