



Ebensburg Borough Council Meeting
Monday, March 26, 2018
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 February 26, 2018 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 Barber on amount owed Barber Oil Company.

Recommended Action – Approve the consent agenda.

2. APPOINTMENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

3. MAYOR'S REPORT

- Item 3A: Report on Police Department

4. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMENTS

5. WATER, WASTEWATER & STORMWATER COMMITTEE **Houser, Kuhar & May**

Item 5A: Report from Inframark 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.

6. RECREATION COMMITTEE **Barber, Jacoby & May**

7. STREET COMMITTEE **Cobaugh & Houser**

Item 7A: Cherry Street Stop Sign
The section of South Cherry Street south of Prave Street was ordained by Ordinance #621 in 2015. The Traffic Ordinance was never amended to add a stop sign northbound at that intersection. Ordinance #642 is proposed to correct that oversight.

Recommended Action – Grant tentative approval to Ordinance #642, adding a stop intersection on South Cherry Street at Prave Street, and advertise for public inspection.

Item 7B: Traffic Signals
PennDOT is upgrading the traffic signals on High Street at Ben Franklin Highway and at Center Street. The signals belong to PennDOT, but local municipalities are responsible for maintaining them. Due to the upgrade, it is necessary to renew the maintenance agreement for each signal.

Recommended Action #1 – Adopt Resolution 2018-04 approving the maintenance agreement with PennDOT for the traffic signal on West High Street at Ben Franklin Highway.

Recommended Action #2 – Adopt Resolution 2018-05 approving the maintenance agreement with PennDOT for the traffic signal on West High Street at Center Street.

8. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE **Barber, Jacoby & Kuhar**

Item 8A: Full-time Police Position
Following an extensive Civil Service testing procedure, the administrative committee recommends that Greg Huber be selected as the new full-time police officer.

All pre-employment requirements have been satisfied, with the exception of the psychological evaluation. That will have been completed on March 23rd. If the report is received in time, Officer Huber can be sworn-in by Mayor Datsko.

Recommended Action – Hire Greg Huber as full-time police officer, effective 4/16/18.

Item 8B: Drug Task Force Ordinance

The Cambria County Drug Task Force was heretofore administered by the Cambria County District Attorney’s office. It is now being administered by the Pennsylvania Attorney General. A new intergovernmental agreement, dated January 18, 2018 has been approved by the Solicitor. Intergovernmental agreements require an Ordinance for adoption. Ordinance #641 was granted tentative approval last month, has been advertised, and is ready for final adoption.

Recommended Action – Grant final approval to Ordinance #641, adopting an intergovernmental agreement for the Drug Task Force.

Item 8C: Summer Applications

All summer employment positions have been advertised. Applications were due today. The department heads will review those applications and make recommendations.

Recommended Action – No action required.

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 February 2018 is presented for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the February 2018 financial statement.

- * Item 9C: Bills
A list of bills totaling \$365,824.71 is submitted for approval. The list of bills includes an account in the amount of \$938.83 payable to Barber Oil Company. An abstention will be recorded in the minutes on behalf of Councilor Barber on this particular bill.

Recommended Action – Approve payment of the bills as submitted.

Item 9D: Future Sidewalk Project

The Manager will present a proposal for completion of new curb and sidewalks on various streets, following the sewer project.

Recommended Action – Refer matter to Street Committee to review where sidewalks are required by Ordinance.

Item 9E: Engineering Request for Proposals (RFP)

A Request for Proposals for airport engineering services should be undertaken every five years. The Borough last did so in 2013. Staff recommends that a new RFP for consulting engineering services for the Borough be issued, and that design and engineering for the airport be included in it.

Recommended Action – Advertise a Request for Proposals for engineering services for the Borough, to be done at same time as above sidewalk RFP.

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 Danae 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 – No activity

* 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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