

Ebensburg Borough Council Meeting Monday, July 26, 2021 6:30 p.m.

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<u>Mayor</u> Randy Datsko

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 10A: Approve the minutes of the June 28,2021 regular monthly meeting of Borough Council.

Item 10B: Approve the financial statement and quarterly transfers.

Item 10C: Approve payment of bills.

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

Ball & Kuhar

Item 5A: Report from Inframark on Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations

Q&A on the written report submitted and on projects and activities at the wastewater plant.

<u>Recommended Action</u> – No action required.

Item 5B: Report from Inframark on Water Treatment Plant Operations

Q&A on the written report submitted and on projects and activities at the water plant.

Recommended Action - No action required.

6. RECREATION COMMITTEE

Jacoby, May & Owatt

7. STREET COMMITTEE

Ball, Houser & Owatt

Item 7A: 2021 Sidewalk Project

Ameron Construction began the sidewalk project on March 5, 2021, and completed it on July 16, 2021, well before the July 31, 2021 deadline. The project was awarded on February 22, 2021, for a total contract cost of \$768,467.00. Property owners who elected to install their own sidewalks will have 180 days from July 12th to complete their work. No exceptions will be made due to cold or inclement weather.





Recommended Action -No action required.

Item 7B: 2021 Paving Project

New Enterprise was awarded the 2021 Paving Project and received a notice to proceed commencing on July 19, 2021. The deadline for completion is September 28, 2021.

Recommended Action -No action required.

Item 7C: Center and High Street Signal

The signal has been ordered and hopefully it will be installed next month.

Recommended Action - No action required.

8. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Houser, Jacoby & Kuhar

9. DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

May, Kuhar & Houser

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

* Item 10A: Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

The minutes of the May 24, 2021, regular meeting is presented for Council review and approval.

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

* Item 10B: Financial Statement

The financial statement and quarterly transfers for May 2021 is presented for approval.

Recommended Action - Approve the June 2021 financial statement and quarterly transfers.

* Item 10C: Bills

A list of bills totaling \$1,252,469.21 is submitted for approval.

Recommended Action - Approve payment of the bills as submitted.

Item 10D: PLCB Noise Enforcement Exemptions

Since 2008, Ebensburg Borough has opted to enforce noise regulations at local licensed liquor establishments, exempting those establishments from PLCB's enforcement of noise violations. That exemption was last approved in 2016 and is due for renewal.

Resolution #2021-02 is submitted authorizing that petition. A copy of the petition is attached, along with a map of the exempted area and description of boundary lines.

<u>Recommended Action</u> – Adopt Resolution #2021-02 petitioning the PLCB to exempt Ebensburg Borough and licensed establishments from PLCB enforcement of noise violations.

Item 10E: Cambria County Release of Claims

Cambria County, and every state in the Commonwealth, was sued in a class action lawsuit by Chester County School District over fees charged to PA municipalities for filing legal pleadings in the Prothonotary's Office. Upon review by the county, they determined municipalities were charged fees more than a ten-dollar limit. The county intends to reimburse all municipalities, which includes \$6.50 to Ebensburg Borough. They are requesting that the Borough release Cambria County and the Cambria County Prothonotary from any claim caused by the class action lawsuit.

Recommended Action —Approve the Release Cambria County and the Cambria County Prothonotary from any claim caused by the class action lawsuit filed by the Chester Upland School District against Pennsylvania Counties and local Prothonotaries, contingent upon the payment of \$6.50 to Ebensburg Borough.

11. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Item 11A: Police Department

Chief Wyland has submitted a written report on the police department's activities during the month.

Item 11B: Public Works Department

Public Works Director Jeff Evans has submitted a written report on the public works department's activities during the month.

Item 11C: Community Development

Community Development Director Danea Koss has submitted a written report on the community development department's activities during the month.

Item 11D: Recreation Department

Recreation Director Dirk Johnson has submitted a written report on the recreation department's activities during the month.

- * Item 11E: Codes Enforcement
 - A monthly codes enforcement report was forwarded to Council.
- * Item 11F: Ebensburg Municipal Authority

A copy of the minutes of the last municipal authority meeting is included in Council's packet.

- * Item 11G: Ebensburg Planning Commission No activity
- * Item 11H: Ebensburg Zoning Board

12. 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.

13. 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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