



EBENSBURG BULLETIN

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Ebensburg Enjoys a Successful 2021

Council and staff were able to complete many projects during 2021:

1. Made extensive improvements to the playing surfaces at the Center Ward Playground.
2. Installed an audible signal for pedestrian crossings at High and Center Street.
3. Obtained gold level certification in the PA Sustainable Community Program.
4. Completed installation of new curbs and sidewalks on W. Horner, W. Crawford, and W. Sample Streets.
5. Milled and resurfaced most streets in northwest quadrant of town.
6. Applied for and was awarded a grant in the amount of \$112k for the Dog Park project, lead by the Ebensburg Rotary Club, to be located at Lake Rowena.
7. In conjunction with RACRA, resurfaced the airport taxiways using grant funding.
8. Supported the Municipal Authority in applying for a water line replacement grant for High Street—awarded a \$1.2 million grant and a \$805k loan for the project.
9. Received a one-year extension on the Façade Improvement Project grant contract.
10. Completed search and successful transition of new borough manager.
11. Implemented modifications to borough office to improve safety and security.

Council Adopts 2022 Budget - Borough Council has adopted a \$6,287,745 budget for 2022. The budget avoids a tax increase for the 12th consecutive year. There are several projects planned in 2022 including:

1. Replace water main along High Street.
2. Replace gas lines in northwest quadrant of town.
3. Milling and paving in northwest quadrant of town where gas lines will be replaced.
4. Refinish benches, bollard lights, trash receptacles, pole bases as needed.
5. Prepare designs for pool repairs and pursue grants for the project.
6. Complete street resurfacing on Hillcrest Drive and Elderwood neighborhood.
7. Plant new trees in the Spring in the areas of the 2021 sidewalk project.
8. Repair the fishing pier and remove suspended boat dock.
9. Close out Façade Improvement Grant contract and apply for new round of funding.

2022 BOROUGH COUNCIL & ELECTED OFFICIALS

Ebensburg Borough Council welcomed new member Robert "Bob" Miller who took over the seat vacated by Scot May. Mr. Miller officially began his 4-year term at Council's reorganization meeting on Monday, January 3rd. Newly re-elected Council members Doug Tusing and Theresa Jacoby were also sworn in, as well as Mayor, Randy Datsko and Tax Collector, Charlene Remillard. This will begin Tusing's fifth term and 17th year on Council, Jacoby's third term and ninth year on Council, Datsko's fourth term and 13th year as Mayor and Remillard's fifth term and 10th year as Tax Collector. We thank them for their service and wish them much success!

January 2022

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Borough Council

Doug Tusing, President
Dave Kuhar, VP
Jeff Ball
Cecilia Houser
Theresa Jacoby
Bob Miller
Mike Owatt
Will Westrick, Jr. Councilor
Mayor Randy Datsko

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EBENSBURG WELCOMES NEW BUSINESSES



1104 W. High Street, Suite 2
Phone: 814-478-2087
www.drayer.urpt.com/locations/ebensburg/



117 S. Center Street
Phone: 814-419-8424
www.yourhrsagent.com



1215 N. Center Street
Phone: 814-270-4487
www.dog-guy.com
getthedogguy@gmail.com
Canine obedience & behavior modification



113 S. Center Street
Phone: (814) 419-5354
www.theporchpeddler.com
Arts & crafts store and workshop

Gas Line Replacement Project

In the Spring, Peoples Natural Gas will begin work to replace gas lines in the northwest quadrant of town. The scope of the project will include:



- N. West Street from Crawford to Highland Avenue
- W. Horner Street from West to Marian Street
- W. Milton Street from West, going West, until it ends
- N. Spruce Street from Horner to just past Alton Street
- Belmont Street from W. Milton almost to Highland Ave

This project is scheduled to be completed by June. Once complete, milling and paving of the affected areas will also be completed.

SWIFT 911™ EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION

In our efforts to provide reliable communications with residents and businesses, borough staff uses SwiftReach Networks, Inc. as our Emergency Notification service provider.

Swift911™ is a system that makes phone calls to specific people or areas in the event of an emergency or for sharing important information. All the calls you receive will have the Caller ID of Ebensburg Borough or Ebensburg Police Department.

Information regarding boil water notifications, water and sewer emergencies, etc. is relayed through this system, so we ask that all residents get themselves added as soon as possible.

If you are not receiving these calls, please contact the borough office at 814-472-8780 and ask to have your information added, or you can go onto the homepage of the borough website, www.ebensburgpa.com, and look for the image below to add yourself.





Ebensburg Borough Health & Wellness Facility

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday 9 am - 9 pm

Phone: 814-472-4277

Saturday 10 am - 9 pm

www.yppccrec.com

Sunday Noon - 9 pm

The Ebensburg Borough Health & Wellness Facility, located inside the YPCC, is ideal for those looking to improve their physical fitness. The facility offers first-rate cardio and weight equipment, along with personal trainers/fitness instructors. Classes are open for drop-ins at a rate of \$5.00/class or \$30.00/month. Check the website or Facebook page for a current class schedule. The YPCC is also affiliated with SilverSneakers, Silver & Fit, Prime and Affinity. (Check with your insurance provider to see if you qualify for the benefit.)

Monthly Fitness Membership Fees:	
Adult	\$30
Seniors (55+ years)	\$25
Student/Military	\$25
Family (1 Adult & 1 Student)	\$50
Daily Fitness Drop in	\$5
Open Gym over 18 yrs	\$2

SPECIALS ON ALL MEMBERSHIPS

Purchase 3 months and get 1 month FREE

Purchase 6 months and get 2 months FREE

Purchase 9 months and get 3 months FREE

Anyone 18 or older can gain 24-Hour Access
with purchase of a Key Fob for \$10.

The YPCC – The primary mission of the Young Peoples Community Center (YPCC) has always been to provide activities and a safe, inviting place for the areas youth to play and hangout with their friends. While still keeping this at the core of the mission, the YPCC has evolved into a Health & Wellness Center as mentioned above. Adding various exercise classes into the daily activities at the YPCC. There is open gym daily (hours vary) at no cost for kids under 18 to play in the gym.

Cross-Country Ski & Bike Rental Programs – Both cross-country skis/equipment and bike rentals are now offered through the YPCC at an hourly rate of \$8/adult or \$6/youth; or full day rate of \$32/adult or \$24/youth. A waiver of liability must be signed before renting. Instructional clinics will be available for cross-country skiing. Stay tuned to Facebook or the website for more information.

Pavilion Rentals – The Borough rents out three pavilions at Lake Rowena and two at the Ebensburg Borough Swimming Pool. The cost to rent a pavilion is \$50.00. A \$25 cleaning deposit is now required. Call the YPCC to check availability and to make a reservation.

Outdoor Skate/Hockey Rink – Located at Lake Rowena, the rink is open year round for street or in-line hockey. There are hockey goals provided and lights for evening play too. Best part is, it's FREE and open to the public.

Swimming Pools – Since its renovation in 2011, the Borough Swimming Pool has been enjoyed by many. The area is fortunate to have a public pool that is up-to-date, heated, kid friendly and handicap accessible. The Borough Pool is available for after hour private party rentals. In addition to the outdoor Borough Pool, the YPCC is also managing swimming lessons and open swims at the Central Cambria High School Pool.

Ebensburg Borough Pool Information

Hours of Operation: Monday - Thursday 12 pm - 7 pm

Opening Day - Saturday, May 28, 2022

Friday - Sunday 12 pm - 6 pm

2022 Pool Rates	Adult	Seniors 55+	Children (4-18)
Walk-in	\$7	\$5	\$5
Multi-Visit (Min. 5 Passes)	\$30	\$20	\$20
Season Pass	\$135	\$110	\$110
Add-on/person to season pass	\$40		

YPCC SWIM CLUB - A swim club has been formed for kids to train/develop and compete against other local outdoor swim clubs throughout the Summer. Contact Rory Coleman roryccoleman@gmail.com for more information.

Free Admission for Children Under 3 and Free Admission with Military ID

YPCC Receives Grant to Offer Cross-Country Ski & Equipment Rentals

In November of last year, the Community Foundation of the Alleghenies (CFA) awarded the Young People's Community Center a \$5,500 grant to purchase cross-country skis and equipment, to be made available to rent for use on the trail. The grant was co-written by Ebensburg Borough's Recreation Director, Dirk Johnson and Cambria County Conservation & Recreation Authority's, Caytlin Lusk. Last winter, the trail saw an increase in cross-country skiing activity and received a number of inquiries on ski availability. Since staff had worked previously with the CFA to secure a similar grant for a bike rental program, they decided to apply once again for funds to establish a ski rental program.



The YPCC is planning to host instructional clinics, once the equipment is received, for anyone interested in learning more about this popular winter sport. Follow the YPCC Facebook page to stay connected to the Center and to hear more about these programs and offerings.

WINTER REMINDERS FROM THE EBENSBURG BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT



1. If the sidewalk is part of your driveway, you cannot park on the sidewalk part of your driveway. A fine of \$15.00 for blocking the sidewalk may be incurred.
2. When shoveling snow from your sidewalk or driveway, you cannot throw the snow onto the street. A fine of up to \$600.00 may be incurred.
3. You must clear your sidewalk within 12 hours after cessation of snow, sleet, or ice. A fine of up to \$600.00 may be incurred.
4. You are not allowed to plow snow from your property onto borough streets. A fine of up to \$600.00 may be incurred.
5. Shovel the sidewalks full width to the bare pavement and clear curb cuts at corners and crosswalks.
6. When Winter Parking is in effect and you move your car to the opposite side of the street, try to avoid lining it up directly across from another car, in case emergency vehicles need to get through.
7. Winter Parking regulations will once again be in effect when staff deems it necessary. This will be posted on the borough website, the *Ebensburg Borough & Community* Facebook page, and by calling the office and selecting option #5 to hear a recording of the status of winter parking. You may also ask borough staff during office hours of 8 am to 4 pm, Monday - Friday.

Additionally, are there neighbors on your street who are elderly, have a disability or may have a hard time shoveling for any reason? Work with your neighbors to give a hand and ensure your entire block is safe and accessible to all.

If you are looking to hire someone to help with shoveling, contact the borough office for a list of names at 814-472-8780.

Ebensburg Municipal Authority Awarded Community Reaffirmation Fluoridation Award

This past Fall, the Ebensburg Municipal Authority was awarded the Community Reaffirmation Fluoridation Award by the American Dental Association (ADA), Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors (ASTDD), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The purpose of the award is to recognize public water systems that defeated initiatives to discontinue community water fluoridation during the past year.

ROTARY DOG PARK PROJECT MOVING FORWARD

The Ebensburg Rotary Club's Dog Park Project was recently awarded a grant in the amount of \$112,000 from the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Financing Authority's Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program. This is a little less than half of what they applied for, however, this is a significant portion of the project cost.

The Dog Park will be located near Lake Rowena and will be maintained by Ebensburg Borough. Features will include a section for large dogs and a section for small dogs, water stations, waste stations, obstacles, benches and perimeter fencing.

As a community-focused organization, the Ebensburg Rotary Club has been leading the design and fundraising efforts. It has received tremendous recognition and support from residents, local business owners and local leaders.

To date, Rotary has participated in many different fundraising and grant opportunities and events, and while those have yielded some fantastic results, they still your help to reach their goal. The Club is still looking for assistance and support to raise approximately \$50,000 to meet their estimated construction cost goal of \$228,000. If you or your business would be interested in in sponsoring this meaningful community project, there are several sponsorship levels to consider:

- **Bronze Level Sponsor (\$500 - \$1k)** - includes recognition on Rotary & Cambria County websites, social media and *Thank You* gift.
- **Silver Level Sponsor (\$1k - \$5k)** - includes all items listed above as well as your company name/logo on a Plaque at the Park.
- **Gold Level Sponsor (\$5k - \$10k)** -includes all items listed above as well as an invite to Ribbon Cutting and recognition at the event.

Sponsorship commitments are needed by February 28, 2022.

Email info@ebensburgrotary.com with interest or contact Jim White at 814-244-6667. Thank you for your consideration!



Bench Sponsorship - the Rotary Club is also still in need of several benches. Bench sponsorship is now available through the Cambria County Memorial Bench Program.

The Cambria County Conservation and Recreation Authority can build either metal (\$1,200) or wood benches (\$280) with a 2" x 4" memorial plaque.

If your company/family is interested in this opportunity, please let us know. This sponsorship will include recognition on our websites and social media, as well as a *Thank You* gift from the Ebensburg Rotary Club.

SPRING 2022 WATER PROJECT

Spring 2022 will again be busy in the Borough. This past fall the Municipal Authority was awarded a combination grant/loan to replace the water main on High Street. The project will replace old pipe from Ace Hardware to near Hoover's Garage. Beyond that, going east to Tanner Street, homes will be connected to a newer pipe along the side of the road. The old main will then be abandoned under the highway. Over the years, the old pipes that were installed in the early 1900's have had many leaks and lead components were used during that time period. Our water leakage is much higher than is acceptable and this project will help lower the leak rate and eliminate lead in that section of the system. Construction is expected to take several months and should be completed by late fall. Residents should expect delays when travelling through the work area and should pick alternate routes during construction.



EBENSBURG BOROUGH HIRES SUMMER WORKERS

Each year, Ebensburg Borough hires seasonal help for the summer months for assistance with grass-cutting, facility maintenance, office assistance, lifeguarding and pool operations.

Job postings go out in early March and applications are typically due back by the end of the March. A job posting notification will be sent out to the local newspaper, posted on the borough website and to the *Ebensburg Borough & Community* Facebook page.

We would encourage local students to apply for these positions when they become available.





PRO DISPOSAL 2022 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

713 Mountain Avenue, Portage, PA 814-487-7033

2022 GARBAGE COLLECTION HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Thursday - regular service day for residents South of High Street

Friday - regular service day for residents North of High Street

- New Year's Day - Saturday, January 1, 2022 - No change to normal pick-up day.
- Memorial Day - Monday, May 30, 2022 - All collections will be picked up one day late.
- Independence Day - Monday, July 4, 2022 - All collections will be picked up one day late.
- Labor Day - Monday, September 5, 2022 - All collections will be picked up one day late.
- Thanksgiving - Thursday, November 24, 2022 - All collections will be picked up one day late.
- Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25, 2022 - No change to normal pick-up day.

2022 Spring Clean-Up Schedule - Thursday, May 12 & Friday, May 13

Collection of Recyclables - the following materials will be collected in your blue recycle bins:

- Glass Containers
- Aluminum Cans
- Newspaper
- Plastics (#1 - #7)
- Steel and Bi-metallic Cans
- Corrugated Boxes (moving boxes, packing boxes, etc.)
- Cardboard (cereal and food boxes, gift boxes, etc.)

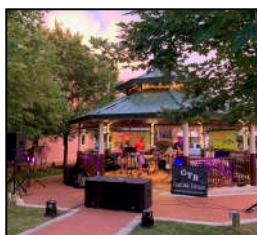
Ebensburg Main Street Partnership Continues to Enhance Community Profile

Each year, the Main Street Partnership works hard toward making Ebensburg an enjoyable, desirable and fun place to live, work and visit!

Here are just some of the accomplishments of the Partnership this past year:

- Received National Accreditation for 7th straight year from Main Street America.
- Dispersed matching grants to several businesses for façade improvement projects.
- Secured a SEAM (Supporting Elm and Main Street) grant from PA DCED for 2020-2021.
- Assisted members with business promotions, advertising, ribbon-cuttings, announcements and events.
- Hosted community events like the Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony, Wheels & Wings, Concerts in the Park, Farmer's Markets, Movie in the Park, Downtown Shutdown, Homecoming, Night at the Curve, PotatoFest, Fall Foliage Ride on the Ghost Town Trail, Dickens of a Christmas and more!
- Hosted Volunteer Appreciation Night and Main Street Member Networking Night.
- Hosted a series of contests including Seasonal Ebensburg Facebook contests, Halloween Decorating Contest, Small Business Saturday Contest, Courthouse Decorating Contest, Business Decorating Contest and Christmas Parade Float Contest.
- Supported additional events hosted in Ebensburg like the Ghost Town Trail Challenge, Festival of Books in the Alleghenies, 28th Army Infantry Band Concert, Halloween Town Walk and the Turkey Trot.

Is your business a member of the Ebensburg Main Street Partnership? If not, we ask that you consider joining for just \$50.00 a year! If interested, contact Dana Koss at 814-472-8414 or dkoss@ebensburgpa.com.



Ebensburg Tennis Center

The winter tennis season is in full swing at the Ebensburg Tennis Center. If you are looking to tune up your game or just get started, the center offers individual and group lessons by USPTA certified professional, Jamie Taylor, USPTR certified professional, Mike Kush, or tennis assistant, Samantha Fulcherino.

The tennis center offers court rental for play on the indoor and outdoor courts. The center is open for member and non-member play. Tennis memberships at the Ebensburg Tennis center will provide you with 24-hour access to the facility and an online court reservation book. Listed below are membership costs; memberships are based on an annual fee.

Need a partner to play with? Join one of our "flex" leagues. Play in a singles or doubles league. Leagues are available for players of all ages and ability levels. Play unlimited tennis with our "All You Can Play Pass". Members pay a one-time rate for unlimited play during specific hours, 7 days a week.



TENNIS LESSON RATES

Private Lessons		Clinics/Group Lessons	
1 hour private lesson	\$60	1 hour clinic	\$14
1/2 hour private lesson	\$35	1 1/2 clinic	\$20
*1 hour private lesson	\$65	*1 hour clinic	\$15
*1/2 hour private lesson	\$37	*1 1/2 hour clinic	\$22

**Prices are for students who are non-members of the tennis center.*

TENNIS MEMBERSHIP RATES

Single - \$160

Family - \$210 (includes immediate family members)

Junior - \$65 (17 and under)

***Out of Town Membership** - \$70 Single

***Out of Town Membership** - \$125 Family

**Out of town memberships are for anyone living outside a 40-mile radius from the center. All membership run one calendar year, unless otherwise specified.*

Fall/Winter All You Can Play Pass

Cost:

Single - \$360

Family - \$550

* Pass runs from Sept 8th thru May 16th, indoor only.

* You must be a member to have an AYCP Pass.

* You may reserve a max of two hours at one time.

* You may reserve courts one week in advance.

Fall/Winter Court Rates for Indoor Play

Mon - Fri	9 am - 4 pm	\$25
	4 pm - 9 pm	\$27
	9 pm - 9 am	\$12

Sat - Sun	9 am - 2 pm	\$24
	2 pm - 7 pm	\$22
	7 pm - 9 am	\$12

* All tennis rates are based on an hourly rate.

* You may play as a non-member three times per year.

* Non-members will pay an additional court fee of \$4.



Reminder to All Tennis Center Members:

Our center policy is that you are only allowed to reserve tennis courts 7 days in advance.



TAX COLLECTOR CORNER

2021 has come and gone and I can no longer accept tax payments for that year. If you owe real estate taxes from 2021, you can contact the Tax Claims Office at the Cambria County Courthouse at 814-472-1445 to set-up payments.

The Ebensburg Borough Tax Office phone number is 814-846-4764. The Tax Collector's Office Hours, beginning March 1st are Tuesdays & Thursdays from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm.

Please note; the per capita tax that has been collected by the school district in the past is no longer being collected. The school board opted to do away with it in 2021.

Shovelers and Grass Cutters

The borough office often receives calls from residents searching for someone to hire to shovel sidewalks or cut grass. The office staff maintains a list of persons interested in performing such work. Anyone interested in picking up some work shoveling or mowing can call the borough office and have their name and number added to the list. And, anyone interested in hiring someone to shovel or mow can call the borough office.



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- to access it, scan with your smartphone camera and tap on the link that pops up.

Ebensburg Community Events

Art in Bloom Spring Art Show*

Saturday & Sunday, April 23 & April 24
Cambria County Courthouse

Ebensburg Borough Spring Clean-Up

Thursday & Friday, May 12 & 13

Ebensburg Borough Pool Opening Day

Saturday, May 28

Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony*

Monday, May 30, 10 am - Veteran's Memorial Park

YPCC Golf Outing

Friday, June 10, Ebensburg Country Club

18th Annual Wheels & Wings*

Thursday, June 23, 5 pm - 10 pm
Downtown Ebensburg

Movie in the Park*

Friday, July 8 - Veteran's Memorial Park

Farmer's Market*

Every Saturday, 9 am - 12 pm - Penn Eben Park
July 9 - September 17

Concerts in the Park*

July 15, 22, August 5, 12, 19 & 26
Penn Eben Park - 6 pm to 9 pm

Downtown Shutdown*

Friday, July 29, 6 pm - 11 pm
Center of Downtown Ebensburg

Ebensburg Homecoming*

Saturday, July 30, ALL DAY
Ebensburg Area & Lake Rowena

American Legion County Fair

Always Labor Day Week
September 4- 10
American Legion County Fairgrounds

31st Annual PotatoFest*

Saturday, September 24, 9 am - 5 pm
Downtown Ebensburg

Fall Foliage Bike Ride*

Sunday, October 9, Ghost Town Trail

Halloween Parade & Trick-or-Treat*

Sunday, October 30

Ebensburg Turkey Trot

Hosted by Ebensburg Area Running Club
Thursday, November 24

Small Business Saturday*

Saturday, November 26

17th Annual Dickens of a Christmas*

Friday, December 2 - Sunday, December 4
Downtown Ebensburg