

Ebensburg Borough Council Meeting Monday, May 23, 2022 6:30 p.m.

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Borough Council

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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: Make it a matter of record that the employees listed have been hired accordingly.

Item 11A: Approve the minutes of the April 25, 2022 regular monthly meeting of Borough Council.

Item 11B: Approve the financial statement for April.

Item 11C: Approve payment of bills of May.

 $\underline{Recommended\ Action}-Approve\ the\ consent\ agenda.$

2. APPOINTMENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

4. MAYOR'S REPORT

Item 4A: Report on Police Department

5. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMENTS

6. WATER, WASTEWATER & STORMWATER COMMITTEE

Ball, Kuhar & Miller

Item 6A: Report from Inframark on Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations

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

Recommended Action - No action required.

Item 6B: 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.

Item 6C: Municipal Authority Projects

The Municipal Authority is planning to embark on several significant projects as part of an ongoing strategy to upgrade and improve the Borough's sewer, water, and stormwater infrastructure, taking full advantage of potential grant funds that could become available. Staff recommends that Council's Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Committee meets with representatives of the Municipal Authority to review and discuss these potential projects.

<u>Recommended Action</u> – Seek consensus of Council to schedule the proposed meeting.

7. RECREATION COMMITTEE

Jacoby, Miller & Owatt

Item 7A: A meeting between the Rotary and Recreation Committee will be scheduled once the necessary parties gather the required information to discuss the administration of the dog park construction.

Recommended Action - No action required.

8. STREET COMMITTEE

Ball, Houser & Owatt

Item 8A: 2022 Steet Paving Project

Council has been provided with a list of streets to be resurfaced and a cost estimate of approximately \$295,150. Staff is preparing the bid documents for the project which will be advertised for bids on June 2nd and 9th. Bids will be opened on June 21, 2022 with a scheduled award date at the June 27th Council Meeting.

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

9. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Houser, Jacoby & Kuhar

Item 9A: Summer Hires

The following applicants were hired for summer employment. All summer positions have now been filled except for a part-time summer office assistant for Community Development.

Summer Public Works

Ryan Hunt	Municipal Road	1 st yr.
Tobey Becquet	New Germany Road	1 st yr.
Gabriel Forst	Meade Street	1 st yr.

Lifeguards

Maya Sirsikar	Emerald Drive	1 st yr.
Naveen Sirsikar	Emerald Drive	1 st yr.
Gwendalyn Fodor	Charlies Road	1 st yr.
Kayden Magulick	134 Sylvan Glen	1 st yr.

Recommended Action #1 – Make it a matter of record that the persons listed above will be hired to the respective positions in public works and lifeguards at \$10.50 per hour.

Item 9B: Public Works Director Retirement:

The Public Work's Director has announced his upcoming retirement. The upcoming vacancy in the Director's position has been advertised. Applications are due on June 13th. Applications will be reviewed, and interviews scheduled the following week.

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

Item 9C: Salary Resolution

A Resolution is adopted each year to establish the wages to be paid to borough employees. As voted on at Council's April meeting, the wages for part-time summer laborer, summer crew leader and lifeguards were increased by \$2.00 an hour. This resolution reflects those changes.

<u>Recommended Action</u> – Adopt Resolution #2022-08 establishing wages for 2022.

10. DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

Kuhar & Houser

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

* Item 11A: Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

The minutes of the April 25, 2022 regular meeting are presented for Council review and approval.

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

* Item 11B: Financial Statement

The financial statement for April 2022 is presented for approval.

Recommended Action - Approve the April 2022 financial statement.

* Item 11C: Bills

A list of bills totaling \$498,264.57 for May is submitted for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve payment of the bills as submitted.

Item 11D: Principal Financial Stock

The Borough has ownership of 456 shares of Principal Financial Stock that was given to us through the demutualization of the Principal Insurance Company. Staff recommends that Council sells the stock.

Recommended Action – Approve the sale of the Principal Financial Stock.

Item 11E: Authorization for Manager to Sign

The Borough needs a representative of the Borough to sign documents for the sale of the stock. This resolution would allow the mayor to sign the documents on behalf of the Borough.

<u>Recommended Action</u> – Approve Resolution #2022-09 authorizing the mayor to sign documents for the sale of the Principal Financial Stock.

12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Item 12A: Police Department

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

Item 12B: Public Works Department

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

Item 12C: Community Development

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

Item 12D: Recreation Department

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

* Item 12E: Codes Enforcement

A monthly codes enforcement report was forwarded to Council.

* Item 12F: Ebensburg Municipal Authority

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

- * Item 12G: Ebensburg Planning Commission No activity
- * Item 12H: Ebensburg Zoning Board

13. 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.

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. ADJOURNMENT

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