



Ebensburg Municipal Authority Meeting
Monday, February 27, 2023
4:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public are invited to comment at this time on any item appearing on the agenda.

2. 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 Authority request specific items to be removed for separate action.

Item 10A: Consideration of motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2023 regular monthly meeting.

Item 10B: Consideration of motion to approve the Financial Statement for January 2023.

Item 10C: Consideration of motion to approve payment of bills for February 2023.

Recommended Action – Approve the consent agenda.

3. APPOINTMENTS TO ADDRESS AUTHORITY

4. CONSIDERATION OF ANY MOTION(S) TO AMEND AGENDA

5. INFRAMARK

Item 5A: Report from Inframark on Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations
Mike Montgomery will provide his report on projects and activities at the wastewater plant.

Recommended Action – No action required.

Item 5B: Report from Inframark on Water Treatment Plant Operations
Luke Byrne will provide his report on projects and activities at the water plant.

Recommended Action – No action required.

6. OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE REPORT

Josh Surkovich will report on the public works department's activities during the month.

Recommended Action – No action required

7. SOLICITOR

Item 7A: Consideration of Motion to Approve the Legal Service Agreement for LGUDA for the EMA Solicitor-Attorney CJ Webb.

Item 7B: Consideration of Motion to Approve the Legal Service Agreement for LGUDA for the EMA Solicitor-Attorney Blair Pawlowski.

Recommended Action – Approve the Legal Service Agreements for CJ Webb and Blair Pawlowski.

8. ENGINEER

The Engineer will review those items contained in the report.

Item 8A: High Street Waterline Project, Contractor Payment Request #7.

Recommended Action – Approve the payment request of W. A. Petrakis for \$14,206.24

Item 8B: PENNVEST Requisition #8 is submitted for approval in the amount of \$20,184.47.

Recommended Action – Approve reimbursement request to PENNVEST in the amount of \$28,585.82.

Item 8C: Manor Drive and Lovell Park Sanitary Line Replacement The project includes the installation of approximately 3,500 L.F. of gravity sewer main and appurtenances along a backlot area adjacent to Manor Drive and Lovell Park, including reconnection of existing customer connections. The purpose of the project is to address structural deficiencies within the existing sanitary sewer mains which are resulting in excessive inflow and infiltration.

Bids were opened for the project on February 20th. Continental Construction was the apparent low bidder at a price of \$1,127,233.00

Recommended Action – Approve the project to proceed to the lowest bidder, Continental Construction in the amount of \$1,127,233.

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

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

The minutes of the previous meeting(s) are presented for review and approval.

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

* Item 10B: Financial Statement

The financial statement for January 2023 is submitted for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the financial statement.

* Item 10C: Bills

A list of bills totaling \$ 157,410.60 for February is submitted for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve payment of the bills as submitted.

Item 10D: **2022 Audit**

Members have been provided with a copy of the 2022 audit completed by Wessel & Company.

Recommended Action- No action required.

Item 10E: Nathan's Divide

Recommended Action – Consider a motion to approve construction of a pavilion and small shed by Nathan's Divide Watershed Education Center, Inc., contingent upon the following: (1) Compliance with all terms and provisions of the Lease and License Agreement with a term beginning March 15, 2021; (2) Compliance with all necessary permitting requirements and receipt of a copy of each permit by the Ebensburg Municipal Authority at the time of issuance of each permit; (3) Receipt by the Ebensburg Municipal Authority of all site plans and construction drawings submitted and certified by a professional engineer registered in the state of Pennsylvania prior to the start of any construction; and (4) Receipt by the Ebensburg Municipal Authority of a certificate of occupancy prior to any use of any structure(s).

Item 10F: Sidewalk and Curbing Project 2023:

This project was previously bid by the Borough in 2022, but since all bids came in well above the original cost estimate, the project was put on hold until this spring. New bids for the subject project were opened at noon on February 23rd. All qualified bids were accompanied with the required bid

bond. The total cost of the project is 136,827.88 with approximately \$4,500 coming from sidewalk funds with the remainder from the water or stormwater funds. Due to the fact that the majority of this is from stormwater, the Municipal Authority should agree to this for council to proceed.

Hawbaker Construction	\$342,821.00
CH&D Enterprises	\$136,827.88

Recommended Action – Staff recommends the Authority to agree to this project to proceed.

Item 10F: Commitment Letter from Ameriserv:

The Authority is taking out a loan to finance the engineering fees for various projects to optimize their chances of grant funding. Ameriserv has submitted a commitment letter in the amount of \$622,000 at a 4.25% rate for 54 months.

Recommended Action – Approve the commitment letter for \$622,000 at 4.25% from Ameriserv.

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

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION- Receiving advice from legal counsel

14. ADJOURNMENT

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