



Ebensburg Borough Council Meeting
Monday, March 27, 2023
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 6C: Approve report of Inframark for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations.

Item 6D: Approve report of Inframark for the Water Treatment Plant Operations.

Item 11C: Approve the minutes of the February 27, 2023 regular monthly meeting of Borough Council.

Item 11D: Approve the financial statement for February.

Item 11E: Approve payment of bills for March.

Recommended Action – Approve the consent agenda.

2. APPOINTMENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

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

4. MAYOR'S REPORT

Item 4A: Report on Police Department

5. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMENTS

6. WATER, WASTEWATER & STORMWATER COMMITTEE

Ball, Kuhar & Miller

Item 6A: Resolution #2023-02: A resolution authorizing and approving Borough officers to sign documents for the loan with Ameriserv for the 2023 Water Project of the Municipal Authority.

Recommended Action : Staff recommends a motion to authorize the Borough's officers to sign any and all necessary and related documents, and to take any and all required and appropriate related action, and further authorizing any actions by Borough officials which are necessary or proper to effectuate the AMERISERV Financial Bank loan.

Item 6B: Ordinance 666: An Ordinance for compliance with the Unit Debt Act

Recommended Action : Grant tentative approval to Ordinance 666 determining the Borough to incur lease rental debt under the Pennsylvania Local Government Unit Debt Act, by its guaranty of a loan in the amount of \$622,000.

* Item 6C: **Report from Inframark on Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations**

Inframark's written report was submitted regarding operations, projects and activities at the wastewater plant for Council review.

Recommended Action – Accept and approve report.

*Item 6D: **Report from Inframark on Water Treatment Plant Operations**

Inframark's written report was submitted regarding operations, projects and activities at the water plant for Council review.

Recommended Action – Accept and approve report.

7. RECREATION COMMITTEE

Jacoby, Miller & Owatt

Item 7A: The Borough approved the award of a construction contract for the Dog park contingent upon receipt of the monies from the Rotary Club. The necessary funds were received, and Straw

Construction submitted the necessary paperwork. The contract was formally awarded, and Straw Construction plans on starting on the site April 10, 2023.

Recommended Action: No action Required.

Item 7B: The Borough was notified by Senator Langerholc and Representative Burns of a grant awarded by The Commonwealth Financing Authority for Ebensburg Borough Pool Renovations in the amount of \$134,600. The grant is through the Local Share Account. Staff will continue to pursue avenues of additional funding and meet with Aquatic Facility Design to further define the project.

Recommended Action: No action Required.

8. STREET COMMITTEE	Ball, Houser & Owatt
9. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE	Houser, Jacoby & Kuhar
10. DIVERSITY COMMITTEE	Kuhar & Houser
11. GENERAL BUSINESS	

Item 11A: **Resolution #2023-03:** A resolution to be submitted to the county for aid.

Recommended Action- Approve Resolution #2023-03 to authorize an application for county aid from the County Liquid Fuels tax fund in the amount of \$10,000.

Item 11B: **Civil Service Rules and Regulations:** The Borough’s rules and regulations have not been updated since 2009 and needed amended to reflect current law. The Civil Service Commission has reviewed the changes and recommended them to Council for consideration. Staff will review key changes reflected in the new Rules and Regulations,

Recommended Action- Approve the updated Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

* Item 11C: Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
The minutes of the February 2023 regular meeting are presented for Council review and approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

- * Item 11D: Financial Statement
The financial statement for February 2023 is presented for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the February 2023 financial statement.
- * Item 11E: Bills
A list of bills totaling \$507,927.00 for March 2023 is submitted for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve payment of the bills as submitted.

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 Josh Surkovich has submitted a written report on the public works department’s activities during the month.
- Item 12C: Community Development**
Community Development Director Danae 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 – No activity

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 – Only if necessary, with specific reason stated beforehand.

16. ADJOURNMENT

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