



**Ebensburg Borough Council Meeting**  
**Monday, May 19, 2025**  
**6:30 p.m.**

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**Mayor**  
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 marked with an asterisk or 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 6A: Approve report of Inframark for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations.

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

Item 11C: Approve the minutes of the April 28, 2025 regular meeting of Borough Council.

Item 11D: Approve the financial statement for April and the quarterly transfers.

Item 11E: Approve payment of bills for May.

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, Miller & Murphy

**\*Item 6A: 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 6B: 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.

**Item 6C: Waterline Replacement Project**

This project is proceeding well and is on schedule. Guyer Brothers has installed essentially 100% of the main line, including Lovell Avenue, and 99% of the service installations. The contractor continues to test lines and prepare for the connection to the vault on Ann Street. Restoration has begun and it is anticipated this project will be complete by the end of next month.

Recommended Action – No action required.

**Item 6D: Stormwater Project**

A. Liberoni Construction was issued substantial completion for the Stormwater Project with the exception of the work needed on Highland Avenue. The Authority is negotiating to get this completed as well.

Recommended Action – No action required.

## 7. RECREATION COMMITTEE

Jacoby, Kuhar & Miller

**Item 7A: Application For a Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program Grant (GTRP)**

After further consideration, the Recreation Board recommends that the Borough does not submit an application for the subject grant which was proposed for transformation of two basketball courts at Memorial Fields into pickleball courts. The Board wishes to receive input from the community regarding the current use of the roller rink at Lake Rowena to consider use of that area for pickleball courts.

Recommended Action – Rescind last month's approval to proceed with the aforementioned grant.

**Item 7B: Tennis Center Fire Alarm System**

The fire alarm system at the Tennis Center has been malfunctioning and frequently sounds throughout the day/night for no apparent reason. Staff has tried to have the problem fixed but has been told that due to the age of the system currently in place, parts are not available. Bids were sought from two businesses who are familiar with this type of system, and two bids were received:

Gittings Security: \$14,440.00

Bettwy Systems: \$22,974.62

Recommended Action – Approve the low bid to Gittings Security in the amount of \$14,440.00.

**8. STREETS COMMITTEE**

**Ball, Houser & Murphy**

**Item 8A: Parking Enforcement**

During the January meeting, Council voted to move away from metered parking toward free two-hour parking. Since then, Staff has been working with Borough Police to develop a detailed plan as to how such a change could be implemented. Cambria County Commissioners would like to see the location of their spots unchanged. Their spaces will then be used as permit parking and 4-hour parking for court business only. Staff continues to work on this item.

Recommended Action – No action is required at this time.

**Item 8B: Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB)**

A contract was awarded to M and B Services, LLC last month. It is anticipated that the project will begin this summer and be completed within 30 days of the start date.

Recommended Action – No action is required at this time.

**9. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

**Houser, Jacoby & Kuhar**

**10. HUMAN RELATIONS & DIVERSITY COMMITTEE**

**Houser & Kuhar**

**11. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Item 11A: Update regarding SRO for Holy Name School**

The School Resource Officer began on April 29, 2025. Operating through the month of May will provide valuable feedback as both parties intend to re-enter into an SRO agreement for the 2025-26 school year.

Recommended Action – No action required at this time.

**Item 11B: Skills Machines**

The Planning Commission met on May 1<sup>st</sup> and reviewed potential changes to the zoning ordinance regarding skills machines, or “gaming parlors” as well as zoning for vape and/or tobacco shops, CBD shops and possible future marijuana dispensaries. The Planning Commission also discussed the idea of resurrecting the “Amusement Tax”, which would apply to skills machines as well as other games/gaming devices. Staff will continue to research the matter to determine how other municipalities are handling this issue and will make recommendations at a future meeting.

Recommended Action – No action required at this time.

**\*Item 11C: Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)**

The minutes of the April 28, 2025 regular meeting are presented for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

**\*Item 11D: Financial Statement**

The financial statement for April 2025 for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the April 2025 financial statement.

**\*Item 11E: Bills**

A list of bills totaling \$470,661.63 for May 2025 is submitted for approval.

## 12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

**Item 12A: Police Department**

Chief Loughran 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 Dana Koss has submitted a written report on the community development department’s activities during the month.

**Item 12D: Recreation Department**

Recreation Director Rebecca Williamson has submitted a written report on the recreation department’s activities during the month.

**\*Item 12E: Building Permit Enforcement**

A monthly building permit report was forwarded to Council.

**\*Item 12F: Ebensburg Municipal Authority**

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

**\*Item 12G: Ebensburg Planning Commission- The Planning Commission met on May 1, 2025.**

**\*Item 12H: Ebensburg Zoning Hearing 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 reason to be specified**

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

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