



Ebensburg Borough Council Meeting
Monday, September 28, 2026
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 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 6C: Approve report of Inframark for the Collection and Distribution Operations.

Item 11E: Approve the minutes of the August 24, 2026 regular meeting of Borough Council

Item 11F: Approve the financial statements for August.

Item 11G: Approve payment of bills for September

Recommended Action – Approve the consent agenda.

2. APPOINTMENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Brian Neilson for Dauntless Fire Department

Eric Danchanko for High Street Body Shop Business.

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

4. MAYORS REPORT

Outgoing Junior Councilor recognition / presentation.

6. WATER, WASTEWATER & STORMWATER COMMITTEE

Ball, Murphy & Stevens

***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: Report from Inframark on Collections & Distribution's systems.**

Inframark's written report was submitted regarding the collection's and distribution's systems for the Water and Wastewater.

Recommended Action – Accept and approve report.

7. RECREATION COMMITTEE

Jacoby & Kuhar

Item 7 A: Coastal Engineering report on Lake Rowena Dredging progress.

A copy of the most recent activity report and pictures is presented in the supporting documents.

Recommended Action: No action required.

8. STREETS COMMITTEE

Ball & Murphy

Item 8A: Parking Enforcement Regulations Ordinance Amendment.

Previously, Council voted to adjust parking rates and fines and to move forward with implementation of the ParkMobile app. Those changes require an update of several sections of the parking ordinance. A copy of the amended ordinance is included in Council's packet.

Recommended Action –

A motion to grant preliminary approval to the revised parking ordinance and to advertise for public inspection.

Item 8B: Borough Building Front and Side door replacement quotes.

Borough Management has been seeking quotes to replace the two deficient glass door and window units with one 36 X 84 front door and one 42 X 84 side door. The installation will include an electric striker installed for future locking and security.

Contractor Quotes:

Bowser Construction \$15,840

Al's Glass \$18,600

Allegheny Glass \$23,990

Recommended Action: - Motion to award the contract to the lowest qualified company, Bowser Construction.

9. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Jacoby & Kuhar & Stevens

Item 9A: Acker Acquisitions Assessment Settlement.

Acker Acquisitions is the current property owner of the former Grade School at 313 West High Street. Acker appealed the tax assessment for the property, resulting in a settlement ruling issued by the Cambria County Court of Common Pleas.

Recommended Action: A motion to approve the Common Pleas Court Settlement.

Item 9B: Part Time Facilities Maintenance Position.

Council has previously granted approval of advertising the position which would have supervision from the Public Works and Recreation Director.

Recommended Action: Make it a matter of record that Robert Ramsey was hired to fill a part time position at the rate of \$17 per hour with no other benefits.

Item 9C: Planning Commission Resignation from Jessica Lieb.

Ms. Jessica Lieb has submitted a letter of resignation from the Borough Planning Commission.

Recommended Action: - Motion to accept the resignation with regrets and to advertise for interested volunteers to fill the position.

Item 9D: Request for Appointment of Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator for Ebensburg Borough.

Mr. Nicholas Burkhart submitted a letter of interest to Council and the Mayor for a volunteer appointment as "Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator" for Ebensburg Borough.

Recommended Action: A motion to appoint Mr. Burkhart to the position.

Item 9E: Airport RFP for Operations in 2027

Borough Council recently advertised a proposal for a contract to operate the Ebensburg Airport. A line item in the draft budget displays some funding for improvements at the Airport and a recent permit for the demolition of hanger "B" was obtained by the Borough at the request of our insurance carrier. The option to proceed with either the demolition of all or part of the hanger B, or the repair and replacement of the hanger must be discussed with a new operator in any proposal for consideration by the Borough. October 19th is the scheduled date for proposal to be returned to the Manager's office.

Recommended Action: None at this time.

10. HUMAN RELATIONS & DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

Jacoby, Kuhar & Stevens

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

Item 11A: Resolution #2026-03 Designating Ebensburg Area Ambulance Association as the Primary Emergency Medical Services provider for Ebensburg Borough.

Recommended Action:- Vote to approve the resolution.

Item 11B: Borough Insurance Policies / UPMC Health Care

Our recent policy renewal with our provider "The Health Insurance Place" will not be available for any rate comparison until October. The Borough was quoted a price for the same coverage from Municipal Benefit Services (MBS) for services beginning in January of 2027 thru December of 2027 with a cost savings of between 2.5% to 14.3% vs our current plan, depending upon which plan the employee chooses in the coverage documents. This is before we get the anticipated price quote from our current provider and that is expected to increase for 2027. The proposal from MBS was discussed with the AFSME union in recent negotiations. The proposal was also sent to the Police union for comment.

Recommended Action: - A motion to contract with MBS for UPMC health care services and coverage for all plans including vision, dental and disability that will be the same or better coverage options for the year 2027.

Item 11C: Electric Generator for Municipal Building Sealed Bids.

Sealed bids were recently advertised for the installation of an emergency backup generator. The bid also included work for updating our one electrical panel that would be needed for the emergency generator installation to comply with the current electrical building code.

Recommended Action: A motion to approve the lowest responsible bidder for the installation.

Item 11D: Court Decision and Skills Games Enforcement.

The PA. Supreme Court issued a determination that skill games were gambling devices, giving the PA. General Assembly until October 13, 2026 to issue new regulations. To date no new regulations have been agreed upon. Unless new regulations or an extension of the deadline occurs in the next 15 days, current law requires the removal of all skills gaming machines from all establishments in the state on or before October 13, 2026.

As a proactive step, the Borough will give notice to those businesses where we have knowledge of the presence of skills devices. This will give them and their vendors time to remove them before the 10/13 deadline if no action is taken by the legislature. Otherwise, we will make plans to remove and store the machines, coordinating such action between the Police and Public Works Departments.

Recommended Action: Monitor potential developments at the State level and consult with the Borough Solicitor on legal authority to enforce the removal of the devices.

*** Item 11E: Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the August 24, 2026 meeting are presented for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

*** Item 11F: Financial Statement**

The financial statement for August 2026 is presented for approval.

Recommended Action – Approve the August 2026 financial statement.

*** Item 11G: Bills**

A list of bills totaling \$626,514.18 for September 2026 is submitted for approval.

Recommended Action: Motion to approve payment of September bills.

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 Jerry Poruban 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 is included in Council's packet.

*** 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: Planning Commission-No Meeting**

Item 12H: Ebensburg Zoning Hearing Board – No Meeting.

Item 12I: Code Enforcement Property Violations Issued – Warnings issued. Verbal report.

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 – If needed.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Copies of all staff reports and documents subject to disclosure that relate to any item of business referred to on the agenda are available for public inspection the Thursday before each regularly scheduled meeting at the Borough office, located at 300 West High Street, Ebensburg, Pa. Any documents subject to disclosure that are provided to members of the Borough Council regarding any item on this agenda are available for public inspection at the Borough office or at www.ebensburgpa.com.