

BELLEFONTE BOROUGH
WORK SESSION & COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 19, 2020
AGENDA

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COUNCIL MEETING CHANGES DUE TO CORONAVIRUS

The Borough of Bellefonte has declared a local state of emergency due to COVID-19 and is closed to the public. Additionally, the Governor has issued a Stay-at-Home order. Bellefonte Borough Council meetings are essential events; therefore, they have not been cancelled. However, Bellefonte Borough officials and staff will conduct meetings telephonically or otherwise electronically. The Borough will not make available any physical location from which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment. Below you will find information on how to offer public comment on agenda items and how to watch the meeting.

The Council Meeting Agenda will be posted on the Borough's website at www.bellefonte.net no later than 4:30PM EST Friday prior to the Tuesday evening meeting.

E-MAIL PUBLIC COMMENT—You may submit your public comments via email to boro@bellefontepa.gov with the subject "Public Comment". You must include your name, address and the agenda item. Emails received by 3:30 PM EST will be compiled and entered into the public record during the public comment period.

LETTER FORM PUBLIC COMMENT—You may also drop off, in letter form, public comments by putting the letter in our mail slot in our entrance door at 236 West Lamb Street by 3:30PM EST the day of the meeting. You must include your name, address and the agenda item.

REQUEST TO SPEAK-PUBLIC COMMENT—To make a comment during a public hearing, a request to speak must be emailed or put in letter form to the above addresses also by 3:30 p.m. the day of the meeting. Include name, address, phone number and the agenda item. The meeting link and phone number will be sent out.

LIVE FEED/RECORDING OF BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS—Borough Council meetings can be viewed live at <https://youtu.be/m6b4ld7W9NQ> and are also recorded. Recordings can be viewed on the Comcast local government education channel – Channel 7 or at www.cnet1.org

6:30 PM Work Session

➤ **Budget Discussions**

PM COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE:

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Johnson		Ms. Cleeton	
Mr. Prendergast		Mr. Eaton	
Ms. Thompson		Ms. Hombosky	
Ms. Tosti-Vasey		Mayor Wilson	

Ms. Walker			
Mr. Brachbill			

ALL VOTES TAKEN WILL BE RECORDED AS UNANIMOUS WHEN THERE IS NO AUDIBLE OPPOSITION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 5, 2020

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 council request specific items to be removed for separate action.

REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS

WRITTEN:

Conflict Resolution Day

ORAL:

Mike Carpenter, DCED Local Government Policy Specialist – Introduction

MAYOR—Tom Wilson

Talleyrand Park Band Shell Project Update

COUNCIL PRESIDENT—Joanne Tosti-Vasey

Preservation PA Award
Wolf Administration Outdoor gathering guideline changes

BUILDING AND PROPERTY—Anne Walker, Chair

Raceway wall work near Gamble Mill was completed

FINANCE AND GOV'T PERFORMANCE—Gina Thompson, Chair

September 2020 Current vs. Prior
September 2020 Budget vs. Actual Summary
September 2020 Budget vs. Actual
September 2020 Voucher Summary
September 2020 Treasurer's Report
Committee Meeting Report
Recommendation: Add Line Item to Real Estate Tax Bill – total mills for police services

Consider scheduling a special work session to Review Strategic Management Report, Monday, October 26 th at 6:30PM
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PARK AND RECREATION—Melissa Hombosky, Chair

Began working to get the Governor's Park Restroom under roof before winter.

Set up Committee meeting to discuss 2021 DCNR Grant (Suspension Bridge/Playground Equip)
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HUMAN RESOURCES—Jon Eaton, Chair

WWTP Superintendent Position is advertised. Employment Application can be obtained either on the Borough's website or by calling the office during business hours. Applications due 11-6.

Consider Motion approving Committee and staff to set up interviews with two law firms being considered for police policy review. A copy of the current SOP Table of Contents is needed.

Committee meeting needed to continue discussions on Planning/zoning/HARB position and succession planning

Council Manager Review in progress – Due November 15 th
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Virtual Meeting held with Health Insurance Cooperative (Benecon) representative – Program overview
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SAFETY—Randy Brachbill, Chair

Undine Fire Company would like to loan out an aerial apparatus to Lewistown using the same agreement as was done with the Logan's Engine 111 – Need a motion to proceed

WATER/SANITATION—Doug Johnson, Chair

STREETS—Deb Cleeton, Chair

Consider a motion to advertise a newly revised and updated Parking Ordinance (in packet)
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Wayfair Signage Spring Township Location – Spring Township okay with seeking Penn DoT permits/approval
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Street Trees (trees in public RoWs) – Planting postponed to Spring, Contact the Borough if interested in obtaining a tree for RoW adjacent to your property

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION—Mike Prendergast, Chair

Committee Report on Shared Energy Management Program/Solar Panels

Committee Meeting Update

Overview of Sustainability Project – Sluiceway, S.R. 150/South Water Street Wall
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Office of Community Affairs

ZONING/PLANNING

Planning Commission member Chris Morelli Resignation
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HARB – Certificates of Appropriateness:
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➤ 224 West High Street – Signage

➤ 227 North Allegheny Street – Changes to lighting, roofing material and Installation of HVAC Unit
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Administrative Approval:

➤ 378 East Curtin St. – Continuation of Roof Replacement Project
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Other: High Street Shops, 131 West High St. – Owner contacted regarding paint color change
NUISANCE CODES
Meeting held with Nuisance Code Administrator – Monthly report to be received starting in November

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

OLD BUSINESS

Solicitor's opinion on partial ban of Fireworks
Copy of Draft Anti-discrimination Ordinance and Memorandum of Understanding
County Liquid Fuels Grant Application – Submitted – funds for Streetscape project along Spring St.
Trick-or-Treat moved to October 29 th – Council to decide if any changes due to COVID
Meeting with Penn DoT, others – Zion Road stormwater issue – Tentatively 2PM on October 27th

NEW BUSINESS

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Desk Audit Completed

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT: TIME_____ PM

Executive Session: Legal