

**BELLEFONTE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING OF June 7, 2021
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/HtQ-SJ_kYN4 and are also recorded. Recordings can be viewed on the Comcast local government education channel – Channel 7 or at www.cnet1.org

6:00 PM – EXECUTIVE SESSION – Real Estate, Personnel, Contracts

7:00 PM WORK SESSION

The work session agenda will include a preliminary overview of the draft policies listed below. Please identify any questions you have regarding these policies:

- Regional Human Relations Commission /Anti-discrimination Ordinance Draft Preliminary Review
- Memorandum of Understanding Draft – Between Regional HRC and the PA HRC
- Additional Parties Language Draft
- Example/Letter sent to College Twp. from Ferguson Twp. with background/explanation for this effort

7:30 PM COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE:

ROLL CALL:

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 17, 2021

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:

Request to use Talleyrand Park, BAHS Orchestra, Music in the Park, 7PM, July 11, 2021
Road Closure Request, Neighborhood Party September 4, 2021- W. Lamb Street
Request to allow Food Trucks, Anniversary party event September 5, 2021, Talleyrand Park
Request to use Talleyrand Park, Movies in the Park- June 12, 26 July 10, 24 and August 7
Thank you to Borough Council /Maintenance Crew – Updating Crosswalks with Piano Key Markings
Compiled Letters/emails of Support for Frank “Bud” Halderman, West Ward Council Seat Candidate
Email - Vulture Problem on Reynolds Avenue area of the Borough
2021-22 CATA Budget
Revised CATA Proposed Fall 2021 Service Changes – Virtual Public Hearing, 6PM June 8 th
Complaint - Recycling Bins in the West Lot
Complaints - Talleyrand Park
Council Action Requested: Oppose Senate Bill 597- Placing community water and sewer systems under additional regulations that are enforced by Pennsylvania Public Utility Code (PUC)
Ted Conklin Application – West Ward Council Seat Vacancy
William Carey Application – West Ward Council Seat Vacancy
Frank Halderman Application – West Ward Council Seat Vacancy

ORAL:

Public Comment for items on the Agenda

WEST WARD COUNCIL SEAT CANDIDATE INTRODUCTIONS (Each candidate will be allotted a maximum of three minutes to speak)

CONSIDER NOMINATION AND VOTING PROCESS TO FILL WEST WARD COUNCIL VACANCY

MAYOR – OATH OF OFFICE/SWEARING IN - WEST WARD COUNCIL SEAT APPOINTEE (as long as candidate has filed the Affidavit of Residency)

MAYOR—Tom Wilson

Oath of Office/Swearing In - Fire Chief Gary Lohr

COUNCIL PRESIDENT—Joanne Tosti-Vasey

ICLEI Sustainability Cohort Report

BUILDING AND PROPERTY— vacancy, Chair

FINANCE AND GOV'T PERFORMANCE—Deb Cleeton, Chair

Committee Meeting scheduled for June 8 th
American Rescue Plan - PA local government Funds Application Overview PDF (in packet) ➤ Bellefonte Borough to receive a total of \$653,240.56 with half coming in 2021 and the other half in 2022 - Limited uses for funds – We are applying to use the funds for water, sewer Infrastructure, public communications improvements (add sound system to council room

PARK AND RECREATION—Melissa Hombosky, Chair

HUMAN RESOURCES—Jon Eaton, Chair

Committee meeting held on June 2 nd
Vacancy/openings update

SAFETY—Randy Brachbill, Chair

SAFER Grant Marketing Firm Selection

WATER/SANITATION—Doug Johnson, Chair

June 1 st Authority Meeting minutes Draft
State Recycling (902) Grant Application period Open. Borough Staff planning to submit an application for grant funds to purchase compost recycling equipment
J.M. deLullo Proposal to Purchase Mulch at compost facility

STREETS—Mary Abbott, Chair

Committee meetings held
Consider amendment to Ordinance – vegetation between curb and sidewalk
Council Action Requested: Motion to advertise ordinance amendment, allow plantings until the end of 2021. Starting in 2022, the ordinance would be enforced as written
Pennoni Engineering agreement signed – Penn DoT permitting for changes at the Diamond

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION—Mike Prendergast, Chair

Office of Community Affairs
ZONING/PLANNING
➤ Planning Commission meets 2 nd Monday of the month – June 14 th at 5PM
HARB – Certificates of Appropriateness Recommendation:
➤ 429 North Spring Street – Replacement of Gutters
NUISANCE CODES Report – To be submitted at the June 21st meeting
➤ To be submitted at Council's second meeting of the month, June 21 st

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CC Airport Authority Meeting, May 27 th – Draft meeting minutes submitted
CCMPO Comments About Pathways PEL Study

BOROUGH MANAGER—Ralph Stewart

May Report to be submitted at the June 21 st meeting

OLD BUSINESS

Regional Human Relations Commission / Anti-discrimination Ordinance-DRAFT Overview present in the Work Session. Formal Consideration will be scheduled for August
2021 CDBG Project Approval – Streetscape Project on S. Spring St and W. Bishop St.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider canceling Regular Council Meeting of August 16, 2021
Consider Scheduling a Borough Council Retreat (goals-objectives setting) on or around August 16 th

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT: TIME _____ PM