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**BELLEFONTE BOROUGH
WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING OF
SEPTEMBER 7, 2021
In-Person, Council Chambers
AGENDA**

ATTEND IN PERSON – The Council Chambers is open to the public with normal or standard occupancy levels. Wearing a mask is optional at this time. Masks are available at the sign in desk.

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ATTEND VIRTUALLY- Please contact the Borough via email: boro@bellefontepa.gov or phone: 814-355-1501 before 4PM on Tuesday, September 7th to receive the Link to the meeting

Work Session – Please note that a work session has not been scheduled

7:30 PM COUNCIL MEETING – CALL TO ORDER:

Welcome everyone to the Bellefonte Borough council meeting. We will do our best to start council meetings on time and to end them on time. Due to the room acoustics, please speak up when talking so that people can hear what you are saying. All comments and reports should be kept to three minutes maximum. Thank you.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Eaton, <i>North Ward</i>	Ms. Cleeton, <i>South Ward</i>	
Ms. Hombosky, <i>North Ward</i>	Mr. Brachbill, <i>Vice President, South Ward</i>	
Mr. Johnson, <i>Pro Tem, North Ward</i>	Ms. Abbott, <i>South Ward</i>	
Mr. Prendergast, <i>West Ward</i>	Mayor Wilson, <i>At Large</i>	
Mr. Halderman, <i>West Ward</i>		
Ms. Tosti-Vasey, <i>President, West Ward</i>		

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

August 16, 2021 – **Council approval Requested**

ACT 65 of 2021

In accordance with Act 65 of 2021 (effective August 30, 2021), If a matter is not on the Agenda, Council can not take official action on it with some exceptions. Council can act on matters relating to potential or real emergencies. Council may add a matter of agency business to its agenda through majority vote. The following Action Item has been added to this Agenda and will be placed on all future meeting agendas.

ADDITIONS TO THE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Council may take action to add a matter of agency business to the agenda

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. Council Action Requested

Office of Community Affairs- HARB Certificate of Appropriateness per recommendation	160 Dunlop St (Gamble Mill)- Dining deck at south end of Gamble Mill to provided outdoor seating at Creekside at the Gamble Mill.
Office of Community Affairs-HARB Certificate of Appropriateness per recommendation	320 W. High St (Train Station)- Replacing existing roof with EcoStar Rubber, repainting all exterior wood, replacing and repairing all broken shakes.

COMMUNICATIONS (written):

WaterMarke Church request to hang a banner on Veterans bridge before the September 19 th event the Banner would be hung September 12 th – 19 th . –Council Action needed.
Reimagine Appalachia/Appalachian Climate Infrastructure Plan. Council can support this as a governing body or individually. Council may take action on a draft Resolution.
League of Women Voters of Centre County (LWVCC) Banners in Bellefonte Borough. Council may consider this request, refer it to one of the standing committees, or refer it to a borough board or commission
Centre County Airport Authority Follow-Up. Council may refer this request to the Finance Committee of Council
Centre County Booking Center. Council may refer this potential expense to the Finance Committee of Council
Annual EMS Joint Meeting- Follow up. Council may refer this request to the Finance Committee of Council.
Request to install a crosswalk between the Courthouse and Annex on E. High Street Council may refer this to the Streets Committee.
Press Release- Centre County COVID Testing- New Location (Old Sears Automotive Building in the mall parking lot) FYI, No Council action requested.

PUBLIC COMMENT (oral):

This Public Comment period is normally reserved for oral comments regarding any action items listed on this meeting agenda. Please state your name and address and which item you are speaking about. Please try to limit comments to three minutes maximum.

No one has asked to be placed on the agenda to speak about an agenda item.

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Zoning/Planning

- The next Planning Commission meeting will be held virtually on Monday, September 13, 2021.

Historical and Architectural Review Board (HARB): Applications will be considered under the Consent Agenda. Administrative Approvals: None

NUISANCE CODES Report -

- Report will be available at the September 20th, 2021 Council Meeting

REPORTS:

Please try to limit all reports to three minutes maximum. If further deliberation is desired on any item, additional time will be placed on an upcoming work session or council agenda.

MAYOR—Tom Wilson

COUNCIL PRESIDENT—Joanne Tosti-Vasey

White House Federal Assistance Program for Renters

BUILDING AND PROPERTY— Frank Halderman, Chair

FINANCE AND GOV'T PERFORMANCE—Deb Cleeton, Chair

2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Bellefonte Borough Pension Plans and Resolution No. 09072021-01. This approval is part of the Borough Council's obligation to approve a next year budget/financial commitment for both (police and non-uniform) pension programs before the end of September this year. **Council action is requested.**

PARK AND RECREATION—Melissa Hombosky, Chair

Committee Notes from September 1, 2021 Meeting

HUMAN RESOURCES—Jon Eaton, Chair

Committee meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 8th

SAFETY—Randy Brachbill, Chair

WATER, REFUSE COLLECTION & COMPOST FACILITY—Doug Johnson, Chair

One Water Plan Resolution 09072021-02. **Council may consider action on the Resolution or table action until the Spring Creek Watershed Commission meets and considers a reply to the Authority's letter (letter included in the August 16 council packet). The Spring Creek Watershed Commission is not scheduled to meet until October.**

August 2021 Daily Water Withdrawal Report

STREETS—Mary Abbott, Chair

Pedestrian Crossing System information received from Councilmember Halderman. According to the engineers, Penn DoT will not allow this type of technology. **FYI, no council action is needed.**

Railroad Street Bridge Work Status Report. **FYI, no council action is needed.**

Diamond design public comment/input meeting dates to be determined after Contractor installs new ADA ramp for relocated crossway near YMCA. **FYI, no council action needed at this time.**

Crawford Lane vehicle speeding complaint. Digital speed display sign has been located on Crawford Lane. Additional speed limit signs to be installed. **FYI, no council action needed at this time.**

One day parking permits for Red spaces now available. FYI, no council action needed.
Review ongoing for regulating plantings in the right-of-way FYI, no council action needed at this time.

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION—Mike Prendergast, Chair

ICLEA meeting held on Tuesday, August 31 st . Sustainability Audit is nearing completion. FYI, No council action is requested.
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SUN Solar United Partnership and Membership Information. This is included for council and citizen consideration.

Bright Program – possible \$10-20K grant for Joint project with State College Borough. The E & E Committee will explore this. FYI, No council action requested at this time.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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BOROUGH MANAGER—Ralph Stewart

August report to be submitted at the September 20 th meeting

OLD BUSINESS

Facilitator is working to set up the stakeholder meeting related to the Short-term Rental Ordinance draft. A meeting date will be established soon.

NEW BUSINESS

Policing and Communities of Color Task Force Report. Chief Weaver was part of the Task Force. A presentation on the Task Force report will be made at the September 20 th work session. A copy of the report will be included with the meeting materials for that meeting. FYI, no council action is requested at this time.
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Masks, indoors. Centre County has been designated as a High Transmission County by the CDC. The CDC recommends wearing masks indoors. Council may take action to require mask wearing in council chambers, and the borough building with exceptions – not in close contact with others, in own office, until further notice.

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ADJOURNMENT:

The council meeting will be adjourned at or as close as possible to 9:00 PM

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