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**BELLEFONTE BOROUGH
WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING OF
SEPTEMBER 20, 2021
In-Person, Council Chambers
AGENDA**

ATTEND IN PERSON – The Council Chambers is open to the public with normal or standard occupancy levels. **FACE COVERING/MASKS ARE REQUIRED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**
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 20th to receive the Link to the meeting

Work Session –

6:30pm-7:00pm - Emil L. Cunningham, PhD, 2021 Task Force on Policing and Communities of Color Report

7:00pm-7:30pm - Matt Bonchack, Don Gaetano, Hartman Group Insurance

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: September 7, 2021- **Council Approval Requested.**

ADDITIONS TO THE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

In accordance with Act 65 of 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. **Council may take action to add an action item to the agenda**

PUBLIC COMMENT (oral):

This Public Comment period is reserved for oral comments regarding any action items listed on this meeting agenda or added by majority vote at this meeting. Please sign in, come to the podium at the appropriate time, state your name and address and which item you are speaking about. Please try to limit comments to three minutes maximum.

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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***

Finance	Voucher Summary August 2021
Finance	Budget v. Actual Summary August 2021
Finance	Budget v. Actual August 2021
Finance	Current v. Prior August 2021
Finance	Treasurer's Report August 2021
Parking Enforcement	August 2021 Report
General – Police	Please note that the Police Report for August will be provided at the October 4 th council meeting
Office of Community Affairs-HARB Certificate of Appropriateness per recommendation	145 W. High Street (Suzanne's Cuts)- installing a mini split unit to be mounted on the High Street side.
Office of Community Affairs-HARB Certificate of Appropriateness per recommendation	460 E. Linn Street- Windows and doors project to be replaced by Renewal by Anderson.
Office of Community Affairs-HARB Certificate of Appropriateness per recommendation	349 East Curtin Street- non-permanent shed at the rear of the property with access from Ardell Lane. Will have the same color scheme as the main house. Shed will be wood siding and shingle roof.
Office of Community Affairs-HARB Certificate of Appropriateness per recommendation	217 N. Allegheny Street (Verizon Building)- Light grillage on two windows that are in the front section of the building.
Office of Community Affairs-HARB	421 E. Curtin Street- Bed & Breakfast sign to be hung on a bar of the existing lamp post in front yard of residence by public sidewalk.

Certificate of Appropriateness per recommendation	
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COMMUNICATIONS (written):

Downtown Bellefonte Inc. (DBI) Parking/Diamond survey summary -- Council may refer this to the Streets Committee.
Howard Fire Company request for Fire Police presence at Punkin Chunkin Fall Festival Event Saturday, October 16, 2021, 8 am-5:30 pm. Council action requested.
Annual Halloween Parade Request Saturday, October 30, 2021. The parade will start at the Elementary School down N. Allegheny to West High Street, and end at Talleyrand Park. Council action requested.
Bellefonte Area School District Class of 2022 would like to have an event "The Raider Reindeer 4K Run/Walk" within the Borough on Saturday December 11, 2021. -Council action requested.

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Zoning/Planning
➤ September Planning Meeting was canceled. Next Meeting scheduled for October 11, 2021
Historical and Architectural Review Board (HARB): Applications will be considered under the Consent Agenda. Administrative Approvals: None

NUISANCE CODES Report -
➤ August 2021 Report submitted

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

PA Municipal League update – Request a Consumer Fireworks Hearing. Council may take action to have letters written to state legislators regarding this issue.
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COUNCIL PRESIDENT—Joanne Tosti-Vasey

Spring Creek Watershed Commission met on September 15 th . A reply to the Authority's letter regarding the "One Water Plan" is being worked on and may be received by the next council meeting. No council action is recommended at this time.
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BUILDING AND PROPERTY—Frank Halderman, Chair

No committee meeting was held

FINANCE AND GOV'T PERFORMANCE—Deb Cleeton, Chair

Committee meeting held on September 14 th , notes submitted. The October 4 th work session will include a budget presentation. No council action is requested at this time.
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PARK AND RECREATION—Melissa Hombosky, Chair

Committee meeting held on August 9 th .
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HUMAN RESOURCES—Jon Eaton, Chair

Committee meeting held on September 8 th with the public works union agreement negotiations as the main topic. The committee and staff will be meeting with the Union on September 27 th . No council action is needed at this time.

SAFETY—Randy Brachbill, Chair

Centre Region Council of Governments Hybrid Meeting 9-14-2021 **FYI, no action is requested.**

Workplace Safety Meeting 9-9-2021 notes and Meeting Minutes. **FYI, no action is requested.**

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

Draft Authority minutes, September 8th meeting. **FYI, no action is requested.**

STREETS—Mary Abbott, Chair

Parking Survey Summary received. **No council action is requested at this time**

Public comment/input meetings regarding changes to the Diamond area – Meetings will be scheduled for 6:30PM, Thursday, November 4th and 10:30AM, Saturday, November 6th, both in Council Chambers. Informational boards can be viewed in Council Chambers during regular business hours and written comments will be received throughout the month of November.

Council may take action to formally set these dates, advertise and request coverage by CNET.

Ordinance regulating vegetation between sidewalk and street – still under review. Committee will discuss further at the Sept. 30th meeting. **No council action is requested at this time.**

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION—Mike Prendergast, Chair

Bright Cities Grant program. Submission deadline October 1, 2021. **Council action is requested to approve this application.**

ICLEI meeting held on September 14th

Solar United Press Conference/follow up meeting held on September 15th

Committee will be meeting on September 22nd to review the Reimagined Appalachia request

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BOROUGH MANAGER—Ralph Stewart

August 2021 Report submitted

OLD BUSINESS

Crosswalk relocation near YMCA, West High Street – to be completed the week of Sept. 20th – **FYI, no action is requested at this time.**

Cybersecurity measures mandated by Insurance Carrier – Multi-factor Authentication is effective the week of September 20th. Please contact Alyssa with any questions.

NEW BUSINESS

PA Boroughs Association 2022 Budget Bulletin Released. Please contact borough staff if you did not receive the link. The bulletin contains helpful information related to borough government budgeting. **No council action is requested at this time.**

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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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