

Borough of Bellefonte Council Business Meeting

AGENDA

7:30 PM Monday, November 20th, 2023 In-Person, Council Chambers

ATTEND IN PERSON – The Council Chambers is open to the public with normal or standard occupancy levels.

VIEW LIVE FEED/RECORDING OF WORK SESSIONS and BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEETINGS– Council Work Sessions and Council Business Meetings can be viewed live on YouTube at https://youtube.com/live/FreyNV_uY3A. Recordings can be viewed on CNET, Comcast's Government Education Channel 7, or at www.cnetl.org

ATTEND VIRTUALLY- Please get in touch with the Borough via email: <u>boro@bellefontepa.gov</u> or phone: 814-355-1501 before 4:00 PM on Monday, November 20th, 2023, to receive the Zoom Link to the meeting.

I. 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 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.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

III. ROLL CALL

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Mr. Bernier, Vice-President, North Ward	Ms. McKean, West Ward
Mr. Brachbill, South Ward	Ms. Purnell, North Ward
Ms. Cleeton, South Ward	Ms. Sedgwick, West Ward
Ms. Dann, Pro Tempore, South Ward	Ms. Tosti-Vasey, West Ward
Mr. Johnson, President, North Ward	Mayor Johnson, At Large

IV. ADDITIONS TO THE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

In accordance with Act 65 of 2021, If a matter is not on the Agenda, Council may not take official action on it with the following exceptions. Council can act on matters relating to potential or real emergencies. Council may add a matter of agency business to its agenda through a majority vote. The council must state why the action item is being added to the Agenda. Council may vote to add an action item(s) to the agenda.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

The officers of council have decided to try combining agenda and non-agenda public comment. This Public Comment period is for oral comments regarding any action items listed on this meeting agenda or any comments in general. No deliberations will be entered into by Council at this time. 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.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS (written)

Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority Municipality Report for October & November 2023. **FYI. No council action is requested.**

Notice – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Administrator at SEDA-COG leaving. **FYI. No council action** is requested.

Junior Council Person Application—Christian Larson. Bellefonte Borough joined this program associated with the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs years ago. The Junior Council Person position has been vacant. Information on the Junior Council Person program is included. **Motion/2nd to approve Christian Larson as Jr. Borough Council Member.**

Invitation - In celebration of student-community work, the Sustainable Communities Collaborative is holding its semi-annual Campus and Community Sustainability EXPO on Dec. 7, 2023, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm in the State College Municipal Building, 243 S. Allen Street in State College. **FYI. No council action is requested.**

Notice - Response to Earth Disturbance Complaint for 1308 Summit Drive from Centre County Conservation District. **FYI, no action requested.**

Invitation - Solar United Neighbors Solar and EV Charger Co-op launching in March 2024. FYI, no action requested.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered 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.

General	Council Meeting Minutes November 6, 2023
Finance	Budget V. Actual October 2023
Finance	Budget V. Actual Summary October 2023
Finance	Treasurer's Report October 2023
Finance	Voucher Summary October 2023

Call for a Motion/ 2nd to approve the Consent Agenda.

IX. REPORTS

Electe	Elected Official and Staff Reports				
Please limit all reports/rebuttals/deliberations to three minutes maximum.					
DEPARTMENT		OFFICIAL/	REPORT		
		STAFF			
Mayor		Mayor Johnson	Submitted		
>	Proclamation: Small Business Saturday				
Police		Chief Weaver	Submitted		
>	October 2023 Report				
>	Recognition of Dan Schlieden and CPI's Collision Course for their generous				
	donation to the Police Department				
>	Parking Enforcement and Animal Control October 2023 Report				
Parking		Ms. McCullough	Submitted		
>	Parking Report for October 2023	-			
Office	ffice of Community Affairs (OCA) Ms. Thompson		Submitted		
>	The next HARB meeting is Tuesday, November 28 at 8:30 a.m. in Council				
	Chambers. (This meeting may be canceled if there are no projects to review.)				
>	The Zoning Hearing Board will meet on Wednesday, November 29 at 5:00 pm				
	in Council Chambers to hear a dimensional variance request.				
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>	The Planning Commission will meet on Monday, December 11 at 5:00 pm in				
	Council Chambers to review technical comments on the Bellefonte				
	Elementary Building Land Development and Stormwater Management Plan.				

Nuisance Codes	Mr. Barr	Verbal
Borough Manager	Mr. Stewart	Submitted

Liaison Reports

Reports are to be submitted in writing for inclusion in the council meeting materials. Reports may include draft meeting minutes, notes, memos, etc. No verbal report is to be given unless there is a question regarding the report. If council action is requested, please clearly indicate it, including the wording, so that it can be stated on the council meeting agenda

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ADMINISTRATIVE	LIAISON	REPORT
Bandshell/Performance Center Project Committee	Mr. Holderman	
Bellefonte Area Industrial Development Authority (BAIDA)	Mr. Holderman	
Bellefonte Emergency Medical Services	Mr. Rhoat	Submitted
Bellefonte Intervalley Chamber of Commerce	Ms. Brooks	
Bellefonte Police Pension Board	Mr. Stewart	Submitted
Centre County Boroughs Association	Ms. Dann	
Centre County Government	Mr. Stewart	
CNET Board of Directors	Mr. Holderman	
Downtown Bellefonte Inc. (DBI)	Ms. Thompson	
Governor's Park	Mr. Holderman	
Nittany Valley Joint Recreation Authority	Mr. Holderman	
Penn State University Sustainability Projects	Mr. Holderman	
Shade Tree Commission	Mr. Holderman	
Union Cemetery Association	Mr. Holderman	
Zoning Hearing Board	Ms. Thompson	
AUTHORITIES / COUNCIL APPOINTED	LIAISON	REPORT
Bellefonte Borough Authority	Mr. D. Johnson	
Centre County Airport Authority	Mr. D. Johnson	Submitted
COMMISSIONS / COUNCIL APPOINTED	LIAISON	REPORT
Civil Service Commission	Mr. Brachbill	
Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission	Mr. D. Johnson	
Spring Creek Watershed Commission	Mr. Brachbill	
SPECIAL COMMITTEES / COUNCIL APPOINTED	LIAISON	REPORT
Bellefonte Fire Department Executive Committee	Mr. Brachbill	
Centre County Library Board	Ms. Cleeton	
Centre Region Council of Governments (COG) Public Safety Committee	Mr. Brachbill	
Talleyrand Park Committee	Ms. Dann	
Workplace Safety Committee	Ms. Doherty	Submitted
SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS / APPOINTED	LIAISON	REPORT
Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission (NVJPC)	Ms. Thompson	Submitted
Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization (CCMPO)	Mr. D. Johnson	
SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS BY CENTRE COUNTY BOROUGHS ASSOCIATION	LIAISON	REPORT
PA State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) Board of Directors	Mr. Brachbill	
PSAB Resolutions Committee	Ms. Dann	

X. CURRENT and OLD BUSINESS

Question regarding the Budget v. Actual September 2023 Report. See the answer provided. **Motion/2nd to remove the Budget v. Actual September 2023 from the table. Motion/2nd to approve the Budget v. Actual September 2023.

Police Pension Fund Minimum Municipal Obligation for 2024. Staff received revised budget numbers from the Actuary.

Motion/2nd to re-approve new MMO budget numbers for 2024 and re-approve Resolution No. 11202023-01.**

Parkview Heights Stormwater Management Project Pre-Construction Meeting Notes from November 2, 2023. **FYI, no action requested.**

Governors Park Baseball Field Committee recommends using approximately \$30,000 out of the Bulk Water Project Fund, along with the original ballfield grant funds, to do both the Batting Cage and restroom renovation projects.

Motion/2nd to approve the Governors Park Baseball Field Committee's recommendation to use approximately \$30,000 from the Bulk Water Fund, along the original ballfield grant funds, for the Batting Cage and restroom renovation projects.

Borough Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 23rd for Thanksgiving. **FYI, no council action is requested.**Holiday Curtesy Parking Program. At the Bellefonte Borough Council meeting held on January 17, 2023, Council approved courtesy parking for the 2023 Holiday Season. The first time the parking enforcement officer observes a car with no time on the meter, the officer will give issue a complimentary pass of two hours. On the officer's second pass-through on that same day, and with no time on the meter and the two hours have passed, a ticket will be issued. Courtesy parking begins on November 23, 2023 (Thanksgiving Day) and lasts through January 1, 2024 (New Year's Day). We encourage you to use this opportunity to do some holiday shopping in beautiful downtown Bellefonte...and have a HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON! **FYI, no action requested.**

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Centre Region Code Agreement Amendment No. 1- an extension of the current agreement terms. **Motion/2nd to approve the Centre Region Code Amendment No. 1.**

Duck Sampling in Talleyrand Park. Motion/2nd to approve Duck Sampling in Talleyrand Park.

Joanne Tosti-Vasey's request for reimbursement for attending the Pennsylvania Municipal League Conference in Gettysburg. Motion/2nd to approve reimbursement of \$855.94 to Joanne Tosti-Vasey for attendance at the PA Municipal League Conference.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please try to limit all comments/rebuttals to three minutes maximum.

I. ADJOURNMENT

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Personnel, Legal

The Council Code of Conduct and the 2023 List of Goals/action items will be included with each Agenda.