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Council Business Meeting

AGENDA

7:30 PM Monday, April 15th, 2024
In-Person, Large Room,
301 N. Spring St, 1st Floor

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Recordings can be viewed on CNET, Comcast’s Government Education Channel 7, or at www.cnet1.org **ATTEND IN PERSON.** The meeting room is open with normal occupancy limits.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Council President Bernier

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

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

IV. ADDITIONS TO THE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Under 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

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, and state your name along with your address and which item you are speaking about. Please try to limit comments to three minutes maximum.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS (written)

Campus and Community Sustainability Expo April 25, 2024. **FYI, no action is requested.**

VII. 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.

<i>Finance</i>	Budget V. Actual March 2024
<i>Finance</i>	Budget V. Actual Summary March 2024
<i>General</i>	Council Meeting Minutes April 1, 2024
<i>Finance</i>	Campbell Durrant Invoice March 2024
<i>Finance</i>	Stover McGlaughlin Invoice March 2024
<i>Finance</i>	Treasurers Report March 2024
<i>Finance</i>	Voucher Summary March 2024

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

VIII. REPORTS

Elected Official and Staff Reports		
<i>Please limit all reports/rebuttals/deliberations to three minutes maximum.</i>		
DEPARTMENT	OFFICIAL/ STAFF	REPORT
Mayor ➤ Introduction of Acting Chief William Witmer ➤ Proclamation-Watershed Cleanup Day April 20, 2024 ➤ Proclamation-National Small Business Week April 28-May 4, 2024	Mayor Johnson	Submitted
Police ➤ March 2024 Report	Acting Chief Witmer	Submitted
Parking ➤ March 2024 Parking Report	Ms. McCullough	Submitted
Office of Community Affairs (OCA) <i>Meetings are held in the large meeting room of the Armory Building unless otherwise stated.</i> ➤ HARB: Tuesday, April 23 at 8:30 a.m. ➤ Planning Commission: Monday, May 13, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. ➤ Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission: Thursday, May 16 at 6:00 p.m. at Marion Township. <i>See memo for report and updates</i>	Ms. Thompson	Submitted
Nuisance Codes	Mr. Barr	
Borough Manager	Mr. Stewart	Submitted

Liaison Reports		
<i>Reports will 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</i>		
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	
Centre County 2024 Solar & EV Charger Co-Op	Ms. Brooks	Submitted
Centre County Boroughs Association	Ms. Dann	

Centre County Government	Mr. Stewart	
CNET Board of Directors	Mr. Holderman	Memo
Downtown Bellefonte Inc. (DBI)	Ms. Thompson	
Governor's Park	Mr. Holderman	Memo
Nittany Valley Joint Recreation Authority	Mr. Holderman	
Penn State University Sustainability Projects	Mr. Holderman	Memo
Shade Tree Commission	Mr. Holderman	Memo
Union Cemetery Association	Mr. Holderman	
Zoning Hearing Board	Ms. Thompson	
AUTHORITIES / COUNCIL APPOINTED	LIAISON	REPORT
Bellefonte Borough Authority – draft meeting minutes	Mr. D. Johnson	Submitted
Centre County Airport Authority – the regular March meeting was cancelled.	Mr. D. Johnson	
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	Submitted
Centre Region Council of Governments (COG) Public Safety Committee	Mr. Brachbill	
Talleyrand Park Committee	Ms. Dann	
Workplace Safety Committee	Mr. Brachbill	Submitted
SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS / APPOINTED	LIAISON	REPORT
Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission (NVJPC)	Ms. Thompson	
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	

IX. CURRENT and OLD BUSINESS

An Executive Session on personnel matters was held on April 10th. FYI, no council action is needed.

- Council formal acceptance of resignations from Officer Matthew Pollock, Officer Jason Brower, and Chief Shawn Weaver. **Motion/2nd to accept the resignations.**
- Council formal designation of Detective William Witmer as Acting Bellefonte Borough Police Chief. **Motion/2nd to approve Detective William Witmer as Acting Police Chief.**
- Council action to select police officer candidates from Bellefonte's Eligibility List. Acting Chief Witmer is recommending the selection of Andrew Hurd and Lisa Larken. **Motion/2nd to select Andrew Hurd and Lisa Larken from the Eligibility List and to make a formal offer to hire.**
- Council approval of Borough Manager to begin the hiring process for a permanent Chief of Police. **Motion/2nd to have Borough Manager start the hiring process for a permanent Chief of Police.**

Borough office move to the Armory Building. Consider hiring movers to move borough office contents to the Armory building offices. This would be in place of using in-house borough labor forces as time allows. **Motion/2nd to approve hiring movers for the work as described.**

X. NEW BUSINESS

John Claar Excavating Certificate for Payment No. 4 of \$34,297.82 for the Parkview Heights Stormwater Management Project. **Motion/ 2nd to remit payment to John Claar Excavating for the Parkview Heights Stormwater Management Project Application No. 4 of \$34,297.82.**

Memo from Assistant Borough Manager on various projects and updates within the Borough. **FYI, no Council action needed.**

Memo from Finance Director inviting Council to attend the Real Estate Tax Collectors Meeting scheduled for April 23, 2024 at 6:00 pm. FYI, no Council action needed.
Spring Leaf Pickup will be Monday, April 22 nd -Friday, April 26 th , 2024. FYI, no Council action needed.
Teener League Field Agreement Amendment. Motion/2nd to approve the amended Teener League Field Agreement from a year to year agreement to a 11-year agreement.
Teener League Field Dugouts, Press Box and Concession Stands paint color change. Motion/2nd to approve the color change from hunter green to red that matches the Governor's Park Baseball Field.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

The Council Code of Conduct and the 2024 List of Goals/action items will be included with each Agenda.