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**Council Business Meeting**

**AGENDA**

**7:30 PM Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**In-Person, Large Room,**  
**301 N. Spring St, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER – Council President Bernier**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

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

**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)**

Centre County Recycling & Refuse Authority Curbside Recycling Report and Newsletter for May 2024. **FYI no council action is needed.**

Bellefonte EMS 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Joint Meeting invitation for 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The meeting will be held at Bellefonte EMS, 369 Phoenix Avenue, Bellefonte, PA. Please RSVP to Scott Rhoat at [ssrhoat@bems.net](mailto:ssrhoat@bems.net) by July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024. **FYI no council action is needed.**

## 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.

General	Council Meeting Minutes May 20, 2024
Finance	Stover McGlaughlin Invoice May 2024

**Call for a Motion/ 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the Consent Agenda.**

## VIII. REPORTS

<b>Elected Official and Staff Reports</b>		
<i>Please limit all reports/rebuttals/deliberations to three minutes maximum.</i>		
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>OFFICIAL/ STAFF</b>	<b>REPORT</b>
Mayor	Mayor Johnson	Verbal
Police ➤ May 2024 Report	Acting Chief Witmer	Submitted
Parking ➤ May 2024 Parking Report	Ms. McCullough	Submitted
Office of Community Affairs (OCA): <i>See memo for report and updates</i>	Ms. Thompson	Submitted
<b>Motion/2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the following HARB projects:</b>		
➤ <b>425 N. Spring Street (Tatterson)</b> – Deck replacement		
➤ <b>127 W. Bishop (Waffle Shop)</b> – mural to be placed on side wall facing alley. <i>Mural will depict individuals and events from Bellefonte history.</i>		
<i>The next HARB meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.</i>		
Code Enforcement ➤ May 2024 Report	Mr. Barr	Submitted
Borough Manager	Mr. Stewart	Submitted

### **Liaison Reports**

*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*

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE</b>	<b>LIAISON</b>	<b>REPORT</b>
Bandshell/Performance Center Project Committee	Mr. Holderman	
Bellefonte Area Industrial Development Authority (BAIDA)	Mr. Holderman	
Bellefonte Emergency Medical Services	Mr. Rhoat	
Bellefonte Intervalley Chamber of Commerce	Ms. Brooks	
Bellefonte Police Pension Board	Mr. Stewart	
Centre County 2024 Solar & EV Charger Co-Op	Ms. Brooks	
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	
<b>AUTHORITIES / COUNCIL APPOINTED</b>	<b>LIAISON</b>	<b>REPORT</b>
Bellefonte Borough Authority – draft meeting minutes not received	Mr. D. Johnson	
Centre County Airport Authority – draft meeting minutes not received	Mr. D. Johnson	
<b>COMMISSIONS / COUNCIL APPOINTED</b>	<b>LIAISON</b>	<b>REPORT</b>
Civil Service Commission	Mr. Brachbill	
Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission	Mr. D. Johnson	
Spring Creek Watershed Commission	Mr. Brachbill	
<b>SPECIAL COMMITTEES / COUNCIL APPOINTED</b>	<b>LIAISON</b>	<b>REPORT</b>
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
<b>SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS / APPOINTED</b>	<b>LIAISON</b>	<b>REPORT</b>
Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission (NVJPC)	Ms. Thompson	
Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization (CCMPO)	Mr. D. Johnson	
<b>SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS BY CENTRE COUNTY BOROUGHS ASSOCIATION</b>	<b>LIAISON</b>	<b>REPORT</b>
PA State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) Board of Directors	Mr. Brachbill	
PSAB Resolutions Committee	Ms. Dann	

**IX. CURRENT and OLD BUSINESS**

Update on Stage at Talleyrand from Committee. <b>FYI no council action is needed.</b>
Bellefonte Waterfront DEP Report. <b>FYI no council action is needed.</b>
2024 CDBG Project Selection. <b>Motion/2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the Suspension Bridge for the 2024 CDBG Project. Motion/2<sup>nd</sup> to approve Centre County, on behalf of Bellefonte Borough, to submit an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for FFY 2024 Community Development Block Grant Entitlement funding the Suspension Bridge Project.</b>
Public Transit Services in Bellefonte Borough. As a result of both Spring and Benner Township exiting CATA services on June 30, 2025, and Bellefonte Borough doing the same, borough council is interested in having a task force explore options for public transit services after leaving the CATA services. Council will consider creating this task force by appointing two council members. Once appointed, the two council members can invite participation from Spring and Benner Townships, citizens, non-profits, etc. as they see fit. The task force will develop its own meeting schedule and provide periodic reports to Council. Staff will assist with meeting room reservations, meeting advertisements, etc. <b>Motion/2<sup>nd</sup> to create the Public Transit Services Task Force and to appoint to the Task Force, Council Members Deborah Cleeton and Joanne Tosti-Vasey.</b>

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

Memo from Assistant Borough Manager on various projects and updates within the Borough. <b>FYI, no Council action needed.</b>
Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) Annual Conference. Several Bellefonte personnel attended the conference. Consider sharing information regarding legislation, policies, and programs learned at the conference.
Council Meeting Minutes. There has been considerable council meeting time taken to clarify the wording of the previous meeting minutes before their approval. Meeting minutes are to capture what was done, not what was said. Consider adopting the Action Minutes style. A sample of this style of meeting minutes is included. <b>Motion/2<sup>nd</sup> to adopt the Action Minutes style.</b>

**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.