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**Bellefonte Borough Council Business Meeting**  
**7:30 PM, Tuesday, September 8, 2026**  
**In-Person, Council Chambers/Large Meeting Room**  
**301 N. Spring St, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor**

## **VIEW RECORDING OF WORK SESSIONS and BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS:**

Recordings can be viewed on CNET, Comcast's Government Education Channel 7, or at [www.cnet1.org](http://www.cnet1.org). **ATTEND IN PERSON:** The meeting room is open with normal occupancy limits.

## **AGENDA**

### **I. 7:30 PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

### **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE—Moment of Silence for Gay Dunne**

### **III. ROLL CALL**

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| VACANT, <i>West Ward</i>                       | Mr. Kelly, <i>West Ward</i>                 |  |
| Ms. Cleeton, Vice-President, <i>South Ward</i> | Ms. Tosti-Vasey, Pro Temp, <i>West Ward</i> |  |
| Ms. Dann, <i>South Ward</i>                    | Ms. Vess, <i>South Ward</i>                 |  |
| Mr. Eaton, <i>North Ward</i>                   | Ms. Wilson, <i>North Ward</i>               |  |
| Mr. Johnson, President, <i>North Ward</i>      | Mayor Johnson, <i>At Large</i>              |  |

### **IV. ADDITIONS TO THE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

*In accordance with Act 65 of 2021, if a matter is not on the Agenda, Council cannot take official action on it with some exceptions. The 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 should state the reason 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 (Oral)**

Borough Council intends to take public comment related to the motion that is on the floor after it has been duly made and seconded. The order of comments will be public comment and then council comment, including proposed amendments by council members. If amendments are proposed to the original motion, the public will then only comment on the amendment(s) before final votes are taken. You must be a Bellefonte resident, a non-profit representative, a business owner, or an official representative of another governmental agency. Speakers shall identify themselves by name and street, municipality, if outside of the Borough of Bellefonte. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

### **VI. WEST WARD VACANCY**

Each applicant for the **West Ward Council Vacancy** will be allotted **five (5) minutes** to address Borough Council and present their qualifications, interest in serving, and reasons for seeking appointment. Following all presentations, Council may ask questions before considering an appointment.

Suggested Motion: That Borough Council appoint **[Applicant Name]** to fill the West Ward Council vacancy following the applicant presentations and Council deliberation, for the remainder of the unexpired term ending **December 31, 2027**, contingent upon taking the required Oath of Office.

## VII. COMMUNICATIONS (written)

### Logan Fire Company – 9/11 Memorial Ceremony

Council is invited to attend the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 9/11 Memorial Ceremony hosted by Logan Fire Company on Friday, September 11, 2026, at 6:30 PM at the Logan Fire Station in Bellefonte. The ceremony will honor the lives lost, the heroes who served, and the strength of a united nation. First responders and the community are welcome to attend.

### BHCA 50th Anniversary Celebration

Council is invited to attend the Bellefonte Historical & Cultural Association (BHCA) 50th Anniversary Celebration which will be held on Sunday, September 13, 2026, from 5:00–7:00 PM at Talleyrand Park (Gazebo Side). The community is welcome to attend.

### PSAB Fall Leadership Conference – October 9–11, 2026

The Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) Fall Leadership Conference will be held October 9–11, 2026, at Bayfront Landing in Erie. The conference offers sessions on municipal governance, employment law, stormwater management, zoning and land use, public safety, and legislative updates. Council Members interested in attending should contact Alyssa Doherty at [adoherty@bellefontepa.gov](mailto:adoherty@bellefontepa.gov) to register before the September 14, 2026 deadline.

## 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.*

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|---------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Finance | Budget v. Actual July 2026                    |
| Finance | Budget v. Actual Summary June 2026            |
| Finance | Budget v. Actual Summary July 2026            |
| Finance | Campbell Durrant Legal Invoice August 2026    |
| General | DRAFT Council Meeting Minutes August 3, 2026  |
| General | DRAFT Council Meeting Minutes August 17, 2026 |
| Finance | Financial Report July 2026                    |
| Finance | Stover McGlaughlin Legal Invoice August 2026  |
| Finance | Treasurer Report July 2026                    |
| Finance | Voucher Summary July 2026                     |

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

## IX. REPORTS

*Please limit all reports/rebuttals/deliberations to three minutes maximum.*

| DEPARTMENT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | OFFICIAL/<br>STAFF | REPORT    |
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| Mayor<br>➤ Proclamation-Honoring the community service and legacy of Gay D. Dunne                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Mayor Johnson      | Verbal    |
| OCA Memo: Please see memo for additional details<br>HARB recommends approval of the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the following projects:<br>➤ <b>137 West High Street</b> – Replacement of three windows due to rotted frames, loose or failing panes, and inoperable locks, including the previously replaced rear windows and the proposed double-hung G2 window on the third floor.<br><br>The Planning Commission will meet on Monday, September 14 at 5:00pm<br>The next HARB meeting is scheduled for September 22nd at 8:30am. | Ms. Thompson       | Submitted |

## **X. CURRENT and OLD BUSINESS**

### **Talleyrand Park to Masullo Park Rail-to-Trail Feasibility Study – Acceptance**

Borough Manager David Pribulka will present the Talleyrand Park to Masullo Park Rail-to-Trail Feasibility Study, prepared by Stahl Sheaffer Engineering. The Parks and Recreation Committee reviewed three trail concepts and recommends Concept 1A (fully off-road, single Spring Creek crossing) as the preferred, phased approach.

*Suggested Motion: That Borough Council accepts the Talleyrand Park to Masullo Park Rail-to-Trail Feasibility Study as prepared by Stahl Sheaffer Engineering, dated June 25, 2026.*

## **XI. NEW BUSINESS**

### **2027 Centre County Liquid Fuels and Fee for Local Use Program – Application Deadline**

Centre County is accepting applications for the 2027 Liquid Fuels and Fee for Local Use Program. Completed applications must be received by the Centre County Planning & Community Development Office no later than 5:00 PM, Friday, October 16, 2026; late submissions will not be considered. Staff is seeking Council's input on project(s) to submit for this funding round.

*Suggested Motion: That Borough Council identify and direct staff to prepare a 2027 Liquid Fuels Program application for [project(s) to be determined] for submission to Centre County by the October 16, 2026 deadline.*

### **Approval of Pay Application No. 1 – Stage at Talleyrand Project**

Mid-State Construction, Inc. has submitted Application for Payment No. 1 (AIA Document G702/G703) for the Stage at Talleyrand project, covering the period ending August 31, 2026. The current payment due to the Contractor is \$93,565.16.

*Suggested Motion: That Borough Council approve Pay Application No. 1 from Mid-State Construction, Inc. for the Stage at Talleyrand project in the amount of \$93,565.16, as certified by Hoffmann Leakey Architects, LLC, and to authorize payment accordingly.*

### **Minimum Municipal Obligations for Pensions – 2027 Budget**

The Minimum Municipal Obligations (MMOs) for the Borough's pension programs must be acted upon prior to the end of September for the upcoming 2027 budget year. Council must also re-adopt the resolution related to the Police Pension Program annually.

Resolution No. 09082026-01

- **Police Pension:** \$75,635.00
- **N1 Pension:** \$0.00
- **N2 Pension:** \$187,945.00

*Suggested Motion: That Borough Council approve Resolution No. 09082026-01 and the 2026 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Borough's pension programs as follows: Police Pension in the amount of \$75,635.00, N1 Pension in the amount of \$0.00, and N2 Pension in the amount of \$187,945.00.*

### **Proposal for Engineering Services – ADA Curb Ramp Design and Replacement, High Street and Water Street**

Consideration of a proposal from Trans Associates Engineering Consultants, Inc. to provide engineering services for the design of ADA-compliant curb ramps at the northwest and southwest corners of the intersection of High Street and Water Street. The scope includes field survey and base mapping, design of up to four (4) curb ramps in accordance with PennDOT and ADA standards, preparation of PennDOT Technical Infeasibility Forms where applicable, work zone traffic control plans, and preparation of the Highway Occupancy Permit (HOP) package for submission through PennDOT's EPS portal. The proposal excludes traffic signal modifications, structural/geotechnical work, drainage design, and construction bid/consultation services. The fee for these services is a not-to-exceed amount of \$15,800.00.

*Suggested Motion: That Borough Council authorize the Borough Manager to execute the proposal from Trans Associates Engineering Consultants, Inc., dated September 4, 2026, for ADA curb ramp design and replacement services at the intersection of High Street and Water Street, in an amount not to exceed \$15,800.00.*

### **Referral of DRAFT Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Amendments**

Provided with the agenda are copies of two proposed ordinance amendments that have been reviewed by the Ordinance Ad Hoc Committee. They establish revised and expanded requirements for traffic impact studies and dedication of parkland (or fee-in-lieu thereof) for subdivision and land development plans.

*Suggested Motion: That Borough Council refer the draft ordinances to the Bellefonte Borough Planning Commission and the Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission for review and comment.*

**XII. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ISSUES NOT ON THE AGENDA**

This Public Comment period is for oral comments regarding items not listed on this meeting agenda. Speakers shall identify themselves by name and street, municipality, if outside of the Borough of Bellefonte. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes maximum.

**XIII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

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

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**The Council Public Comment Policy will be included with each Agenda.**