



# EPHRATA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Voting Session Agenda  
Monday, October 9, 2023

**Call to Order**

**Moment of Silence**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Attendance / Roll Call**

**Approval of Council Agenda**

**Proclamations:**

- Breast Cancer Awareness Month

**Approval of Minutes:**

- Borough Council Work Session Meeting Minutes – September 5, 2023
- Borough Council Regular Meeting Minutes – September 11, 2023

**Municipal Moment:**

- Suzanne Fisher, Ephrata Cloister Associates

**Opportunity for Citizens to Be Heard**

**Action Items:**

- Approval of Reports (Includes the following approvals)**
  - Committee Reports:
    - Budget and Finance Committee
    - Development Activities Committee
    - Highway Committee
    - Community Services Committee
    - Personnel Committee
  - August 2023 Borough of Ephrata Management Report
  - September 2023 Borough of Ephrata Management Report
  - September 2023 Borough of Ephrata Operations Report
  - September 2023 General Ledger Report
  - Ephrata Pioneer Fire Company September 2023 Report
  - Ephrata Community Ambulance Association September 2023 Report
  - Emergency Management September 2023 Activity Report
  - Shade Tree Commission September 2023 Meeting Minutes

**New Business Items:**

- Approval of Consent Agenda, Including:**
  1. That Borough Council authorize the President of Borough Council and the Borough Secretary to execute a Subdivision and Land Development Agreement for the Gables at Richard Avenue with the developer, Richard L. Sensenig Co. (Development Activities)
  2. That Borough Council authorize the President of Borough Council and the Borough Secretary to execute a Stormwater Operation and Maintenance Agreement for the Gables at Richard Avenue with the developer, Richard L. Sensenig Co. (Development Activities)

## **New Business Items (Continued):**

### **☐ *Approval of Committee Recommendations***

#### **Budget and Finance Committee**

1. That Borough Council authorize 2023 American Rescue Plan Expenditures under the Revenue Loss Provision of \$7,605 for audio system upgrades.
2. That Borough Council adopt Resolution No. 2023-19 Revised Schedule of Fees and Charges Collected.

#### **Development Activities Committee**

1. That Borough Council approve the Ephrata Area School District's request to waive permit fees except for \$2,504.50.
2. That Borough Council adopt Resolution No. 2023-20 authorizing the President of Borough Council and Borough Secretary to execute an agreement with the Lancaster County Land Bank subject to the School District's concurrence.
3. That Borough Council approve an unbudgeted expenditure of \$5,000 from the Economic Development Fund for the Lancaster County Land Bank.
4. The Committee reviewed the proposed zoning ordinance amendments reviewed at the Public Hearing on September 11, 2023. The Committee will recommend that Borough Council enact Ordinance No. 1578 to amend the Zoning Ordinance.

#### **Highway Committee**

1. That Borough Council adopt Resolution No. 2023-21 allowing experimental parking regulations within a designated area of the 100 block of West Fulton Street.
2. That Borough Council conditionally approve the VFW Post 3376 South State Street closure request for October 25, 2023, from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM to conduct the Jack Frost Parade subject to EMC Randy Gockley's approval and Borough receipt of a certificate of insurance naming the Borough as additional insured.
3. That Borough Council conditionally approve Comcast's Edgewater Park Drawing No. 093192023-EW dated August 3, 2023, subject to a fully executed agreement, Borough receipt of a \$66,318 performance guarantee, Borough receipt of a certificate of insurance naming the Borough as additional insured and authorize the President of Borough Council and Borough Secretary to execute the agreement.
4. That Borough Council conditionally approve PPL's Drawing No. 12974458-01 dated September 4, 2023, subject to a fully executed agreement, Borough receipt of a \$1,610.83 performance guarantee, Borough receipt of a certificate of insurance naming the Borough as additional insured and authorize the President of Borough Council and Borough Secretary to execute the agreement.
5. That Borough Council authorize by future ordinance the use of a loading zone at a designated area along the east side of the 200 block of Terrace Avenue.
6. That Borough Council award Bid #23-8 for 2023 Street Crack & Joint Sealing to CriLon Corporation from Somerset, PA for a total provide and install price not to exceed \$50,000.
7. That Borough Council conditionally approve the Mainspring of Ephrata Railroad Avenue closure request for November 11, 2023, from 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM to facilitate Veteran's Day activities and accommodate a food stand subject to EMC Randy Gockley's approval and Borough receipt of a certificate of insurance naming the Borough as additional insured.

**New Business Items (Continued):**

***Approval of Committee Recommendations (Continued)***

**Community Services Committee**

1. That Borough Council grant the Cocalico Valley VFW Auxiliary's request to use 12 spaces of the Borough Hall parking lot on October 25, 2023, to host a Trunk or Treat Event.
2. That Borough Council approves the Borough Secretary to issue a letter of support for Mainspring of Ephrata to apply for a Local Share Account Grant.
3. That Borough Council grant the Ephrata Unleashed Dog Park Committee's request to hold a fundraising event in the parking lot of the Dog Park on October 21, 2023, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

***Approval of Checks and ACH Register***

- Checks 52072 through 52282 and the ACH Register dated September 28, 2023

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**Discussion / Announcements**

**Adjournment**