

**EAST PETERSBURG BOROUGH
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

June 26, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Held in person: 6051 Pine Street, East Petersburg, PA

ROLL CALL: Council Members: Debra Miller – President, John Schick - Vice President (Absent), Adam Gochnauer - ProTem, John Herr – Member, Randy Rannels - Member, William Sharp – Member (Absent), Sandra Valdez – Member
Mayor: Bill Trovato,
Borough Manager: Karen St. Clair, Staff Member: Jeff Moseman

VISITORS: Karyl Carmignani, Dereck Duffy, Rob Walker, Keith McMinn, James Rohrer, Josh Roberts, Evan Hunter

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Debra Miller, President of Borough Council, at 6:00 p.m. with a moment of silence, and Pledge of Allegiance.

I. VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. **Rob Walker** with *Warwick Community Ambulance* proposed keeping an advanced life support ambulance in EPB. It would be stationed at EP Fire Co. and answer calls in the borough. The services would be at no charge to the borough for 18 months. After that, 5.00 per capita through 2028, and then 6.00 in 2029. They are a non-profit, top tier EMS. The borough average is one call per day. When they are not busy in the borough, they will do transports and answer calls in other areas. Mr. Walker pointed out that under the Mutual Aid Act, they currently are covering many calls for Penn State Life Lion EMS because they are often busy on other calls.
2. **Keith McMinn** with *Penn State Life Lion EMS*. They are currently the EMS provider for the borough. They do not currently charge the borough for this service. They have (2) ambulances that cover the borough, (1) stationed near Wood Crest Village, and (1) in Manheim. If they are both on other calls, another ambulance covers our area under the mutual coverage agreement. They have been dealing with staffing issues, but are working on this. At this time, there has been no discussion about charging the borough a per capita charge, but this will be reevaluated at the end of the contract period; June 2026. Mr. McMinn said he has not received any service complaints from residents in this area. There is a new federal legislation they are ready to implement which will make sure people who need to get to the hospital will, and to use telehealth for other cases. Community Paramedicine is something they are working on adding more of to reduce hospital stays.
3. **Dr. Michael Reihart** with *Penn State Life Medicine* and Medical Director of the 911 Center of Lancaster County. In January, Penn State Life Lion made him the dedicated EMS physician working in the Emergency Department, and he is working on solving some of the coverage issues. He said they are very committed to serving our community.
4. **Josh Roberts** said East Petersburg has had higher response times to get a paramedic on scene compared to other municipalities around us, but Life Lion does have many units they can use as back up with the 8 mile rule.

II. AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND REVIEW ONLY

1. **Pine/Broad Street stop sign**
Council agreed it would be beneficial to remove "except right turn" from the stop sign at this intersection. White stop bars will be painted at this stop as well. The borough solicitor will work on updating the ordinance.
2. **Park Renovations – Porta potties**
Two porta potties will be placed at the park during renovations.

3. MS4 Presentation

Jeff Moseman gave the MS4 presentation

MS4 is a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System, a network of drains and pipes that discharges into U.S. waters. The federal government requires these systems have a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (NPDES), The borough is required to manage stormwater runoff, implement pollution preventative practices, and enforce regulations to protect waterways. The goal is to prevent pollutants from entering our streams and rivers. Stormwater information is shared through the website, quarterly newsletters, and educational fliers to help residents understand how their actions affect water quality. Other involvement includes webinars, and collaboration with Little Conestoga Watershed Alliance (LCWA). Common discharge issues we encounter: vehicle oil leaks, hydrant flushing (must be dechlorinated), pool water (must be dechlorinated and drained into yards, not streets), yard waste in streets causing nutrient pollution, and clogged drains. Please report illicit discharges to the borough office 717-569-9282 or on the borough website.

4. Transfer to PLGIT

There is currently a surplus of funds. A portion of this will be moved to PLGIT to earn interest. This will be approved by resolution.

5. Review account payables 06/26/2025

No additions to the regular bills.

6. Misc. Items

•Bill Trovato was sworn as Interim Mayor.

•Water main replacement will begin on Monday 06/30. They will be tying in at Hershey and Pine first. Pine Street will be without water from 9:00 a.m. until later in the day. Once water is restored, a boil water advisory will be in effect. Staff will distribute door hanger notifications. Contact borough office with questions and concerns.

7. Fire Company financials – for review only: Reviewed by Council.

III. NEW BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS – Council may discuss/deny/approve.

1. *It was moved and seconded (R. Rannels / J. Herr) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve May 2025, Committee Meeting Minutes.*
2. *It was moved and seconded (A. Gochnauer / S. Valdez) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Resolution 917, transfer 800,000.00 from general reserves and 150,000.00 from water reserves to PLGIT Investment Fund Accounts.*

IV. EXTRA ITEMS: Issues arising in the last 24 hours: None.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The next borough council meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. and the next committee meeting will be on Thursday, July 24, 2025.
- Movie, Music, and Fireworks will be held Friday, June 27, 2025.
- Back to School Event at Penn Medicine Park (former Clipper Stadium) will be held on August 10, 2025. Pre-register at www.reprivera.com before August 4th.

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNMENT: 7:22 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL MATTERS: 7:27 p.m. – 8:10 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING BACK IN: 8:10 p.m.

- o Executive session was held to discuss employee wages, bonuses, personnel policies, and EMC Agreement.

It was moved and seconded by (S. Valdez / A. Gochnauer) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve the wages and/or bonuses per the recommendation of the Borough Manager, to be paid on July 24, 2025.

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNMENT: 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Strayer, Recording Secretary