

March 27, 2025

**EAST PETERSBURG BOROUGH
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

March 27, 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, Adam Gochnauer - ProTem, John Herr - Member, Randy Rannels - Member, William Sharp - Member, Sandra Valdez – Member
Mayor - James Malone (Absent), Borough Manager - Karen St. Clair, Borough Solicitor - Amy Leonard, Borough Staff Member - Jeff Moseman

VISITORS: Karyl Carmignani, John Nolt, Don Kissinger, James Swarr, Dereck Duffy, Josh Roberts, Susan Piefer, Becky Jones, Justin Weese, Zachery Weese, Jim Feaga, Amy Swanger

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: None

II. AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND REVIEW ONLY

1. Review draft Resolution 913 for Capital Reserves

This was a recommendation of the auditors. It is standard procedure to have a policy in place that details what gets paid from this account, what funds can go into this account, and investing of these funds. The policies are currently being followed under the borough code, but they will now be in writing.

2. Pickleball privacy & sound mitigation fence

During the last discussion council asked for more information regarding the products available. Council reviewed the products available for screening and sound mitigation with prices ranging from 1,168.00 to 6,567.00. Council and residents discussed all the options for sound mitigation. The majority agreed on the fabric screen fence that gave 100% blockage to help reduce the noise. The fence will provide for a 24 decibel reduction. It will not take the sound away, but it will decrease it. It was discussed shortening the hours would be helpful to reduce the noise also. The borough solicitor will work on a resolution to shorten the hours from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. This resolution and sound mitigation fencing will be put on the 04/01/2025 agenda for a vote.

3. Cost to remove old Tennis Courts

The courts on Graystone Road have large cracks and are unsafe to use. It was proposed to remove fence and scrap the metal, remove concrete/asphalt, add soil and plant pollinator plants. Estimated cost for this project is 6,890.00. This will be put on the 04/01/2025 agenda for a vote.

4. Ambulance Services Report

At the last meeting it was asked to look into who is answering the calls for EMS in the Borough. The report received shows there were 441 calls from 03/1/2024 through 02/28/2025. Penn State Life Lion answered 292 calls which is 66%, Manheim EMS -101 calls, Lancaster EMS -18 calls, Warwick EMS – 26 calls, Rossville EMS – 4 calls. Manager St. Clair will get information on the number of calls that were covered for Penn State Life Lion.

5. 2025 Lancaster County DTF contribution

Invoice was received for LCDTF in the amount of 4,573.00. The amount has not increased this year. Mayor Malone's recommendation is to pay this.

6. **Review Account Payables 03/27/2025**

No additions to the regular bills.

7. **Misc. Items**

Manager St. Clair received an update from PennDOT on the Main & Graystone Intersection Traffic Signal Project. It is anticipated that the bulk of the utility work will be completed in 2025. The contractor will begin in early 2026.

8. **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 (A. Gochnauer / R. Rannels) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve February 2025, Committee Meeting Minutes.*

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

V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- The next borough council meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. and the next committee meeting will be on Thursday, April 24, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:21 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL MATTERS: In: 7:30 p.m. Out: 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Strayer, Recording Secretary