



EAST PETERSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
Held in person: 6051 Pine Street, East Petersburg, PA
June 2, 2026 - 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Debra Miller - Council President, John Herr - Vice President (Absent), Adam Gochnauer - ProTem,
Brendan Garrett - Member, Evan Hunter - Member, David Tirado - Member, Sandra Valdez - Member
Mayor: Dereck Duffy Staff: Borough Manager - Karen St. Clair

The regular meeting of the East Petersburg Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President, Debra Miller followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS: Karyl Carmignani, Roger Howard, James Rohrer, Gary Sample, Joan Umberger

VISITOR & PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Gary Sample asked when the proposals on the administrative building will be voted on. Manager St. Clair said this topic will be on the agenda for discussion on June 25. Mr. Sample asked if the tennis courts will be torn down. Manager St. Clair said this was put into the budget just in case council decides to do this.

James Rohrer voiced concern for feral cats in his neighborhood. He pointed out that the online code names Manheim Township Police as the animal control officer. Council agreed this needs to be updated. Manager St. Clair will contact the borough solicitor to start working on an amendment.

BILL PAYMENT: Reviewed by Council.
No additions.

REPORTS:

- o **Police:** Report submitted to Council. There were 246 calls for service in April, with 4 arrests, and 32 traffic citations, 5 crashes investigated, and 5 traffic details.
- o **Mayor:** Attended Lancaster County Mayor's Association meeting. Hot topic is electric bikes. He will be attending the State Mayor's Association meeting and hopes to get more information on e-bike regulations then.
- o **Penn State Life Lion EMS:** Report submitted to Council. They handled 27 calls in the Borough in May. Response times range from 9:44 – 13:10.
- o **Emergency Management Coordinator:** Report submitted to Council. Emergency planning for upcoming events.
- o **Fire Dept.:** Report submitted to Council. There were 27 incidents in May: 5 of them in the borough.
- o **Borough Manager:** Report submitted to Council.
Received bulk of property tax for 2026. Budget process for 2027 is underway.
Good's Disposal Service has agreed to the 2nd and final year renewal for 2027.
Trash service contract will need to go out to bid in 2027 for 2028.
DCNR inspection of the park went great, and after the final report is written by the inspector, the remaining grant funds of \$125,000.00 will be released to the borough.
As a reminder regarding Property Maintenance complaints, calling them into the office or sending an email is not sufficient. The person making the complaint must complete the appropriate form and submit to the office. As always, this information is kept confidential.
- o **Department Managers MS4/Public Works/Water:** Reports submitted to Council.
MS4/ Special Projects – There was one MS4 illicit discharge violation in May.
Bicycle racks were installed throughout the park. Lancaster Bicycle Club will hold a grant funding photo presentation on Friday, June 12, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. at the EP Community Park.
Pine St. Water Line Phase 2 bids were received and is on the agenda tonight to award.
East Petersburg BMP Garden Demonstration will be held on Tuesday, June 11, at 2899 Graystone Road.
Public Works – CC doors painted. Maintenance shop organization. Park bathroom new sensors and valves installed. Trimmed trees at Graystone and Hollow.
New brooms installed on street sweeper. New sweeper is more efficient and needing brooms replaced less often.

Graystone Road traffic light milled and ready to pave. "No parking" painted at community mailboxes. Cut up the downed branches in the park from storm. Hummer Turf sprayed Amphitheater field.

Water Dept. - Staff attended kick-off meeting with Rettew. Quarterly water quality sampling. Staff attended online meeting PFAS in PA. Replacement of two fire hydrants & valves on Orange & Cherry St. scheduled for June 8, notices were handed out and information posted on website.

Annual Consumer Confidence Report has been approved and submitted to DEP. Mailers have been mailed.

○ **Zoning/Property Violations:** Report submitted to Council. Review of dedication plans.

○ **Water Engineering:** Report submitted to Council. NPDES permit renewal, DE Filter rebuild, Testing waivers

○ **Solicitor/Collections:** Report submitted to Council. Pine St. fire hydrant easements.

○ **HARC:** Yard Sale that was scheduled for Memorial Day weekend had to be cancelled due to all the rain.

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee Meeting Topics – MS4 Annual Presentation, Events Committee, 1945 Broad Street, Liquid Fuels – PLGIT, Replacement of fire hydrants on Orange & Cherry Street, Reimbursement Agreement for 1695 State St. project, payable review for 5/28/26, Misc. items, 4/23/26 meeting minutes

NEW BUSINESS – Action Items: Council may discuss/deny/approve.

President Miller asked if there were any questions about the action items. There were no questions.

- 1. It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Garrett, Councilmember Gochnauer) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve May 5, 2026, Council Meeting Minutes**
- 2. It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Valdez, Councilmember Gochnauer) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Firework Permits from Events Committee for 06/26/26 and 09/19/26.**
- 3. It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Gochnauer, Councilmember Tirado) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Resolution 938, Liquid Fuels – PLGIT.**
- 4. It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Valdez, Councilmember Gochnauer) with unanimous approval by the board, to award Pine Street Water Main Project/ADA Ramps to J. Phillips Excavating & Hauling, LLC in the amount of \$555,031.01, pending final review by the Borough Solicitor and Engineer.**

EXTRA ITEMS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The next Borough Council meeting will be held on July 7, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Appeals Board, June 11 at 7 p.m. as needed.
- C. Planning Commission, June 18 at 7 p.m. as needed.
- D. Zoning Hearing, June 24 at 7 p.m. as needed.
- E. Committee, June 25 at 6 p.m.
- F. Yard Sale in the Park, June 6 from 8:00 a.m. to noon.
- G. Music, Movie, and Fireworks in the Park, June 26 – events begin at 5:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR LEGAL MATTERS: None requested.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Strayer, Recording Secretary