



EAST PETERSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
Held in person: 6051 Pine Street, East Petersburg, PA
March 3, 2026 - 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

ROLL CALL

Council Members: Debra Miller - Council President, John Herr - Vice President, Adam Gochnauer - ProTem, Brendan Garrett - Member, Evan Hunter - Member, David Tirado - Member, Sandra Valdez - Member
Mayor: Dereck Duffy
Staff: Borough Manager - Karen St. Clair (Absent), Jeff Moseman – MS4/ Project Supervisor

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

VISITORS: Joyce & Frank Mokros, Jamie Rohrer, Brian Harnly, J. Stauffer, Lauren Cohen, Ryan Best, Sol Grismaldi, Mark Cohen, Ted Moyer, Jon L.

VISITORS/COMMENTS: None.

BILL PAYMENT: Reviewed by Council.

REPORTS:

- **Police:** Report submitted to Council. There were 210 calls in February with 7 arrests and 25 traffic citations.
- **Mayor:** Nothing to report at this time.
- **Penn State Life Lion EMS:** Report submitted to Council. They handled 23 calls in the borough in February.
- **Emergency Management Coordinator:** Report submitted to Council. Monitored snow emergency, working on event plans for 2026, met with manager, submitted EMC newsletter items.
- **Fire Dept.:** Report submitted to Council. There were 22 incidents in February; 5 of them were in the borough.
- **Borough Manager:** Report submitted to Council. Lancaster City Water is seeking an increase of 29.8% for customers outside of the city's boundaries. This increase has been suspended by state regulators as they gather information for this increase. Capital Blue Cross will issue the borough 19,000.00 in premium credit from the claim fund, due to the claims being low.
- **Department Managers MS4/Public Works/Water:** Reports submitted to Council. Two snow events in February. Violations were given for not shoveling, as needed. Speed limit and no truck signs continue to be installed. Serviced mowers and equipment. Park shed complete. Construction permit for City Interconnect pump replacement has been issued by DEP - work will begin when equipment and materials are received. Meeting with DEP at Koser Road Spring went well. Will be working with DEP over the next 2 years on regulation of stream bypass flow. Training new public works hire for MS4 locating. Storm pipe and basin inspections. Reviewed CCTV inspection footage from Guyer Brothers for storm pipe relining project and for North curb line of State St. This will provide guidance for future relining project considerations. Damaged section of large playground set was replaced. Preparing for LSA Grant for maintenance shop.
- **Zoning/Property Violations:** Report submitted to Council. Worked on ADA compliance review, site visits, permits.
- **Building Code Official/Water and Sewer Engineer:** Report submitted to Council. Building permits issued.
- **Solicitor/Collections:** Report was submitted to Council. Worked on Ord. 331 and fire hydrant easements.
- **HARC:** Woman's locker room renovation should be completed by the end of this week. Registration is open for Summer Day Camp which runs from June 8 through August 13.

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee Meeting Topics – 2026 events, SCBA presentation, Pine St. ADA ramps, Ord. 331 – to reduce Planning Commission member from 7 to 5, Public Speaking, Res. 933 – Appoint Commonwealth Code as BCO & UCC Compliance Officer, Res. 934 – Accident & Illness Prevention Program manual, FY2025 Financial audit, Payables for 2-26-26, Meeting Minutes for 1-22-26, Executive session for legal matter: EPFC agreement.

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 Herr, Councilmember Tirado) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve February 3, 2026, Council Meeting Minutes.**

2. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Garrett, Councilmember Hunter) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Advertisement of Ordinance 331, to reduce Planning Commission members from seven to five.*
3. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Valdez, Councilmember Tirado) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve the 2026 Community Events.*
4. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Valdez, Councilmember Tirado) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Resolution 935, Event banners on Main Street.*
5. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Herr, Councilmember Valdez) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Maker's Market event on July 18, 2026, pending receipt of payment and certificate of insurance naming East Petersburg as additional insured.*
6. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Valdez, Councilmember Garrett) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Pine Street ADA Ramps as per the recommendation of Bingham Engineering & Consulting.*
7. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Valdez, Councilmember Herr) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve the Financial Audit for 2025.*
8. *Council President asked if there is a motion to take action on East Petersburg Fire Company SCBA air pack grant out of pocket funds in the amount of \$49,201.00 and there was no motion made. President Miller asked a second time and there was no motion made. President asked a third time and there was no Motion made. President Miller announced the "Action has failed"*
President Miller read a prepared statement. East Petersburg Boroughs total commitment to the fire company totaling \$300,000.00 plus full payment of the fireman's workers comp insurance has already been allocated for the year. This includes all fire tax revenue received, along with general fund money given as per the current agreement with the fire company.

EXTRA ITEMS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The next Borough Council meeting will be held on April 7, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Appeals Board, March 12 - 7 p.m. as needed
- C. Planning Commission, March 19 - 7 p.m. as needed
- D. Zoning Hearing, March 25 - 7 p.m. as needed
- E. Committee, March 26 - 6 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR LEGAL MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Strayer, Recording Secretary