



EAST PETERSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
Held in person: 6051 Pine Street, East Petersburg, PA
May 5, 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 (Absent) 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, Jamie Rohrer, Wanda Howard, Briana Mull, Joyce Mokros, Frank Mokros, Gary Sample, Joan Umberger, Violet DeStefano

VISITOR & PUBLIC COMMENTS:

James Rohrer voiced concern re: feral cats in his neighborhood.

Gary Sample asked what the completion date is for Graystone and 72 intersection. Manager St. Clair said she has not received updates from PennDOT. She will reach out to them. Mr. Sample would like to see a 7-second delay at this intersection rather than the current 3-second delay. He pointed out that the intersection in Lancaster City at Lime and Chestnut Streets now has a 7-second delay.

REPORTS:

- o **Police:** Report submitted to Council. There were 274 calls in March, with 5 arrests, and 37 traffic citations.
- o **Mayor:** Manager St. Clair reported on behalf of the Mayor: Attended police dept award ceremony. This year's officer of the year award went to Jake Davis with 462 traffic citations, 66 Dui arrests and 100 total arrests including, 3 DUI and 1 drug related arrest in the borough.
- o **Penn State Life Lion EMS:** Report submitted to Council. They handled 30 calls in the Borough in April. Response times range from 9.44 – 9.04.
- o **Emergency Management Coordinator:** Report submitted to Council. This month designates International Firefighter Day on May 4; International Police week May 15-21; EMS week May 17-25. We are grateful for all these people and what they do for us. Volunteer Deputy EMC will be submitting resume. Working on emergency planning for the upcoming community events.
- o **Fire Dept.:** Report submitted to Council. There were 23 incidents in April: 7 of them in the borough.
- o **Borough Manager:** Report submitted to Council.
We received the 2nd Tyco payment from the PFAS class action suit in the amount of \$15,848.65.
Lucas Miller completed his 90-day probationary period. He will be at the next meeting to introduce himself.
Met with Senator Malone to discuss borough issues and requests.
Street sweeper and generator were picked up and paid for. These funds are now in the Equipment reserve fund.
House Bill 2266 passed on Monday. This newly passed Bill will increase the annual turnback allocation. The amount we receive will increase by approximately \$1,000.00 per year.
National Night Out will be held on August 4, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at East Petersburg Pool. Bike ride will begin at 5:30 p.m.
- o **Department Managers MS4/Public Works/Water:** Reports submitted to Council.
Public Works Dept. - PW staff members attended PSATS. Pavillion picnic tables were painted to cover kid's drawings. Pothole repair on Graystone Rd. Street sweeping in EP & other municipalities. Park bathrooms are now open for the season. Working on mulching.
Water Dept. – Powerton Inc. performed annual service testing on generators at all facilities. Staff attended annual Source Water Protection workshop. New water truck is now in service. Quarterly PFAS sampling was completed.
Special Projects/MS4: Bicycle racks will be installed in May. Storm Pipe relining planned for remaining north side of State Street. Upcoming Pine St. water line replacement – phase 2. Finishing paperwork for previous DCNR grant. Community Gardens located at 2899 Graystone Rd. remaining volunteer workday: May 16 from 9am - 12.

Water week tour of the Gardens will be June 11 from 5:30 – 7:30. More information can be found on the borough website.

- o Zoning/Property Violations: Report submitted to Council. There were four violations; two are now compliant.
- o Solicitor/Collections: Report submitted to Council.
- o HARC: No updates. April meeting was cancelled.

BILL PAYMENT: Reviewed by Council.
No additions.

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee Meeting Topics – 03/26 meeting minutes, RFPs for engineering services, LIMC-UCC Appointments Committee, Municibid items, Payables for 4/23/2026, 1Q26 financials, Misc. items, appoint new water engineer, 30-day cancellation letter to SDE, Approve sale of 2017 Dulevo and Generac generator, Deputy Coordinator, executive session for legal matter.

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 Valdez, Councilmember Gochnauer) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve April 7, 2026, Council Meeting Minutes***
- 2. It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Gochnauer, Councilmember Tirado) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Resolution 932, Appointing Karen St. Clair as representative to the LIMC-UCC Committee Appointments Committee***
- 3. It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Herr, Councilmember Tirado) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Lancaster County Bicycle Club Event on Sunday, August 16, 2026.***

EXTRA ITEMS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The next Borough Council meeting will be held on June 2, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Appeals Board, May 14 - 7 p.m. as needed.
- C. Planning Commission, May 21 - 7 p.m. as needed.
- D. Zoning Hearing, May 27 - 7 p.m. as needed.
- E. Committee, May 28 - 6 p.m.
- F. Election Day, May 19 – 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.
- G. Borough office will be closed on May 25, 2026, in observance of Memorial Day.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:27 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR LEGAL MATTERS: In: 7:33 p.m. Out: 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Strayer, Recording Secretary