

AGENDA FREEBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

April 15, 2025

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – March 18, 2025

APPROVAL OF THE OUTSTANDING BILLS TO BE PAID – April 2025

PUBLIC CONCERNS

Garage at 111 West Market Street-

- New commercial building permit required
- Borough needs to approve exemption for set back
- Borough must stipulate **no** on street parking for business customer, business must provide parking area for customers.

Storm Drain at 303 East New Market Street

- Neighbor at 305 East New Market has filled in storm drain installed to manage storm water, causing storm water to affect the neighboring properties instead of directing the water away from the area. Photos have been provided

REPORT FROM FREEBURG FIRE CO.

REPORT FROM PA ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTION INC. (PESI) – Contract started Dec 1, 2021

April 2025 Monthly Report – Review of recent DEP results submitted and issues.

CAP Response - Corrective Action Plan was submitted to DEP on December 1, 2022

Additional Options for CAP Resolution – Josh Owens reviewing additional options

Apportions Request – Josh Owens setting up meeting with US Representative Thompson regarding request

LSA Grant Request for Sewer Lining – Local Share Account Grant Request Submitted (\$500,000)

PA Small Water & Sewer Grant Application – planning to submit a new application for sewer lining.

Approve Grant Ownership and Funding match letters need to be approved

Lining of Sewer Lines - Schedule at least 2-3 blocks of lining for spring 2025, Est. \$20,000/block *Approved*

November 19, 2024. Mr. Rehab has been contacted to schedule the project. Project to begin mid-April 2025

REPORT FROM MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY –

Copper, Lead & Service Line Inspections – completed, reports filed, remediations in process

LSA Grant Request for Market Street Water Line Replacement – Grant submitted (\$ 1 million)

PA Small Water & Sewer Grant Application #3 – Submitting grant application for water line replacement on North South Street. Project estimated at \$425,000.00

FREEBURG BOROUGH MAINTENANCE STATUS REPORT

Baseball Fields – Met with coaches about field maintenance, received numerous positive comments about field.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE– *Catherine Dent, Chair; Angela Weaver, Tabbetha Vanhorn-Price*

Employee Reviews – Borough Secretary & Assistant Secretary job descriptions for review.

Internship program – to assist with grants; research and writing though SU creative writing dept.

ORDINANCES & PLANNING – *Tabbetha Vanhorn-Price, Chair; Erica Stephenson, John Wiegler*

CDBG Survey –All surveys have been submitted for review by Shannon Rudy at the County Courthouse.

Freeburg Borough Property Maintenance Patrol for April 2025.

CK-COG Report – February 2025

Stray Cats – Sandy & Bruce Blades and their committee have been working on trapping and spay/neutering program appointment scheduled through April for services, fee covered.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – *Erica Stephenson, Chair; Catherine Dent, Weston Hoffman*

Website – www.freeburgborough.com

Hyper Reach Communication System –

Internet Service for Community Center & Fire Company – Part of franchise agreement, status?

Borough Logo – Nic Stephenson is working on a borough logo.

Memorial Day Parade – May 26, 2025, 11 am, approved, special event permit has been submitted

Memorial Day Celebration – May 26, 2025, Tabbetha VanHorn Price coordinating

Freeburg Community Yard Sales – May 8-10, 2025, review by council, Feb 18, 2025

Primary Election Day – May 26th, 4 council positions up for re-election

Firemen’s Parade – Thursday, June 26, 2025, 7 pm. Approved, special event permit submitted

PUBLIC FACILITIES, SERVICES & SAFETY – *Weston Hoffman, Chair; Angela Weaver, Regina Moyer*

April 2025 Rental Income Report –

New Basketball Goal for Gym – Applying for a grant from the Battram Community Fund and other local grants. *Estimated cost \$20,000 to 25,000.00*

DCNR Grant Applications –meeting held with DCNR and Landscape Architect, measuring community agreement of project. Working on grant applications for planning and design, then construction (50% match required). Grant application has been submitted

Baseball Field Drainage Issues – Discuss possible repair options

Bridge Replacement Project –

R K Webster Working Project Design- \$39,900.00, Approved.

Working on Penn DOT Multimodal Grant request.

Approved a Precast Concrete Box Culvert Bridge option – Est. cost \$164,700.00

Storm Drains– Working on additional quotes for repairs on New Market St and East Streets

Portable Pedestrian Crosswalk Signs – Arrows and pole reflective signs, have been ordered

CORRESPONDENCE - None

NEW BUSINESS

Handicap Ramp for Borough Office - \$2,500.00 on sale on Facebook Market Place, outside of Freeburg.

COUNCIL, MAYOR, SOLICITOR, EMPLOYEE CONCERNS

NEXT BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS – Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at 7 pm

APPROVAL OF ADJOURNMENT