

AGENDA FREEBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

July 15, 2025

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – June 17, 2025

APPROVAL OF THE OUTSTANDING BILLS TO BE PAID - July 2025

PUBLIC CONCERNS (Time Limit 5 minutes Per Issue)

Building Permit for 305 East Market Street – Basement entrance extension.

REPORT FROM FREEBURG FIRE CO.

Operational Agreement with Fremont Fire Company – Working well

Fire Police Membership Growing - acquiring new members, potential to help cover 4 additional areas

Fire Police Truck – Fire Police purchased a new truck, accepting donation towards purchase.

Dry Hydrant on East Front Street in Washington Township – Discussion topic

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

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

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

WWTP Upgrades Permit – Has been submitted with \$500.00 application fee

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

Appropriations Requests – Appropriations requests submitted to Representative Glenn “GT” Thompson and Senator John Fetterman’s offices have been forwarded to the next round of consideration.

PA Small Water & Sewer Grant Application – Submitted grant request for \$499,941.00

Sewer Connection Violations – Working on resolving those issues

REPORT FROM MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY –

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

Meter Reader Position – FMA member approved utilizing Wayne Enders and training Rob Heddens for meter reading services.

BOROUGH MAINTENANCE REPORT – Rob Heddens

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

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

Committee Work – Recommendation that Committee Chairs Collaborate Regarding Agenda & Committee Issues with borough employees.

Employee Review – All Employees are working on self-assessments for their reviews.

Internship program – to assist with grants; research and writing though SU English & Creative writing dept.

Staff Training –

- Wanda Kantz would like to start notary training, cost est. \$700.00,
- Sierra Ziegler and Wanda Kantz would like to take the Basic of QuickBooks \$30.00/each.
- Sierra Ziegler would like to take the Writing Effective Grant Proposal training, \$100.00

2026 Budget – Working on 2026 budget to begin July 24th.

Office Hours Revision - Under discussion in Committee.

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

Freeburg Borough Property Maintenance Patrol for July 2025.

CK-COG Report -

Stray Cats Committee – The Stray Cat Committee has been working on trapping and spay/neutering appointments of the stray cats, Bruce and Sandy have been paying for additional vet care for the cats out of their pocket, donations for additional expenses can be given to Bruce and Sandy Blades.

E-code Ordinance system -Ordinance organization program, recommended by PSAB, est. cost \$16,000 to \$20,000.

Borough Ordinances on Website – Review for current ordinances with Solicitor’s help and post on website.

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

Internet Service for Community Center – Looking into other internet options, Penn Teladata

Website Updates – Working on updating website with emergency contact information for borough.

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

June 2025 Rental Income Report –

New Basketball Goal for Gym – *Estimated cost \$15,000*

Received \$5,000 from Battrum Family Foundation Grant for this project.

Applied for a grant for a \$5,000 Walmart grant. August 2025 possible approval notice.

DCNR Grant Applications –Grant application has been submitted for the Freeburg Commons Planning.

East Front Street Bridge Replacement Project –

- R K Webster Working Project Design- \$39,900.00, Approved.
- Approved a Precast Concrete Box Culvert Bridge option – Est. cost \$164,700.00
- Working on Penn DOT Multimodal Grant request.

Other Borough Bridges

East & West Front Street Bridge – 3-ton weight limit signs have been ordered.

TIP request letter – All other bridges have been requested to be added to Penn DOT TIP program for funding assistance.

Storm Drains– Borough Staff is working on some repairs for these issues

- Storm Water drainage along Front & South Street – Contacting Selinsgrove Penn DOT
- Storm Drain along creek at Willow Street is in need of repair, water draining through stone retaining wall.

Baseball Field Drainage Issues – Discuss possible repair options

CORRESPONDENCE - None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve 5 County Solid Waste Plan – request by Snyder County Planning Commission, documents email for review to council members

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA & AMENDMENT TO AGENDA FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Consideration, if needed, of a motion for additional agenda item(s) that need to meet one of the following criteria: emergency business, matters arising within the past 24 hours, minor business raised during the meeting, or agenda changes approved by majority vote (with expressed reasons for the amendment item being stated for the minutes and the same to be posted the next business day).

COUNCIL, MAYOR, SOLICITOR, EMPLOYEE CONCERNS

NEXT BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS – Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 7 pm

APPROVAL OF ADJOURNMENT