

AGENDA FREEBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

August 19, 2025

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – July 15, 2025

APPROVAL OF THE OUTSTANDING BILLS TO BE PAID – August 2025

PUBLIC CONCERNS (Time Limit 5 minutes Per Issue)

REPORT FROM FREEBURG FIRE CO.

Fire Police Truck – Fire Police purchased a new truck, borough donation \$3,000, proposed

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

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

August 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

Approve Sewer Line Inspection Fee for Transfer of Property - \$100.00 fee proposed to cover PESI services

REPORT FROM MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY –

LSA Grant Request for Market Street Water Line Replacement – Grant submitted (\$ 1 million), Re-submitting for 2025

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

BOROUGH MAINTENANCE REPORT –

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 reviews have been completed.

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,
- Wanda Kantz – Webinar: The Role of Municipal Treasurer, August 21st, \$45.00 fee

2026 Budget – Working on 2026 budget draft.

Office Hours Revision - Under discussion in Committee.

Recording Borough Council Meetings

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

Freeburg Borough Property Maintenance Patrol for August 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.

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.

Property Improvement Award – in addition to focusing on properties that are in disrepair, perhaps we could have a monthly or quarterly spotlight on properties that are looking good.

Staff Introductions on Website – Would staff (and members of the council and the authority) be interested in being featured on the website so that the community can get to know us.

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

August 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. Received \$500.00 grant.

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
- Penn DOT Multimodal Grant request submitted.

Other Borough Bridges

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

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

Local Share Account Grant (LSA) – Wanda Kantz would like to apply for a Local Share Account grant for additional bridges in the borough

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

- Storm Water drainage along Front & South Street – Contacting Selinsgrove Penn DOT

Baseball Field Drainage Issues – repairs to be made during upcoming dry weather.

Fall at Borough Office on July 31, 2025 – A customer fell entering the main doors to the borough office on July 31, 2025. EMS was called and the patient was transported to the hospital. Insurance carrier has been notified. Discussion of possible improvements to the area. Second fall in least than two years.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

NEW BUSINESS

60-day Notice of Insurance renewal -

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, September 16, 2025 at 7 pm

APPROVAL OF ADJOURNMENT