AGENDA
FREEBURG MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY MEETING
August 13, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC CONCERNS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING – July 16, 2026

APPROVAL OF THE CURRENT OUTSTANDING BILLS TO BE PAID – August 2026

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Owen Professional Solutions, LLC (OPS) – July 2026 report

Meter Reading Issues – report, OPS LLC working on issues

Inaccessible Meters – Letters mailed.

Nitrate Level – Current raw water nitrate level- 4.58 mg/L, finished level must be below 8.0. mg/L

Solar Field & Well Issues – Thomas Gingrich

- First public information meeting was held Monday, June 29, 2026 at 7 pm
    - Approximately 50 community members were in attendance.
- Second Information meeting was held Thursday, July 30, at 6pm.
    - Vice President from Brookfield Renewal will be in attendance to share about the project and answer questions and address concerns.

Water Leaks –All know leaks have been repaired

Construction Loan – current balance is $62,500.00, loan total $150,000.00,

- Loan end date October 5, 2026
- Repayments begun January 2025 -$2,500/month
- Approved Resolution to Re-finance construction loan. (4/21/2026)
- Wanda Kantz contacted Patricia Pensyl at Central Penn Bank regarding modifying the term for the loan. Central Penn Bank and Matt Cravitz working on language for loan modification.

American Tower Discussions – Current lease agreement ends August 23, 2039,

2025 Local Share Account Grant Application – 0% match required - 2025 LSA grant has been submitted for $980,668.00.

2026 Local Share Account Grant Application – Project to be determined.

2026 Appropriations Grant Submissions – Project cost $1,792,000.00 - **20% Match $358,400**

- Proposed Project, water line replacement on Front Street up to new connections, Church Street from Whitetop Road to the bridge at Willow Street, and New Market Street from Whitetop Road to the bridge at Willow Street.
- This project was submitted to Glen "GT" Thompson's, Senator John Fetterman's and Senator Dave McCormick's offices for appropriations requests.
- Glen "GT" Thompson and John Fetterman's office have both forwarded our grant request on to the Appropriations committee for review.

SRBC Consumptive Use Mitigation Grant Program - 20% match for this grant

Possible grant projects:

- Leak detection equipment
- New liner for reservoir
- Stormwater diversion & infiltration project around well heads.

Developing a Phased Water Line Replacement Project – Planning Phases starting in 2027, with discussion on possible PennVest loan/grant options for funding.

Reservoir Roof Repairs –

- Weatherproof Roofing, Inc. $2,980.00 was approve, plus an additional $520.00 for additional repairs to silicone or replace rubber washers on other screws
- Letter sent to contractor, requested Spring 2026 for repairs.
- Tried to contact contractor by phone and email with no response.
- William Hoffman contacted contractor and he stated that the project should start in May 2026.
- No Work has been completed at this time.

Cameras at Water Treatment Plant – Discussion tabled until new internet provider is connected.

Internet Service at Water Treatment Plant – Internet service connected July 14, 2026, still waiting on the phone number to be ported over to PenTeleData and for equipment to arrive.

2027 Budget – Thomas Gingrich and Wanda Kantz have started working on the 2027 budget.

Condition of Buildings at 300 East Academy Road (BJE Rental Property) – Shed and barn are in poor conditions, BJE should be contacted about issues and need to keep the road to the water treatment plant passable. Attorney Cravitz sent letter to BJE Realty.

Route 35, East Market Street Paving Patch – Repair to be completed this week.

Stone for Water Treatment plant – Discussion.

CORRESPONDENCE -None

NEW BUSINESS

Possible Grant Option: EDCDI Grant (Economic Development & Community Development Initiatives) – Wanda Kantz and Joshua Satteson are looking in to this as a possible grant option for a complete phased replacement project design for the water system. This grant could be used to completed the project design and possible permit applications for projects.

Water Line Replacement at the East Front Street Bridge Project – Thomas Gingrich

Step Ladder – A 14'-16' Step ladder is needed at the water treatment plant. Do we purchase a used or new ladder, a new ladder would cost an estimated $550.00-600.00. Discussion

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

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).

AUTHORITY MEMBER, SOLICITOR, EMPLOYEE CONCERNS

NEXT FREEBURG MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY MEETING – August 13, 2026 7 pm

APPROVAL OF ADJOURNMENT

2026-2027 FMA Officers

Thomas Gingrich, President
Bruce Blades, Vice-President
John Reichenbach, Treasurer
Wanda Kantz, Secretary

The 2026 meter reading dates will be as follows, *Approved 10/16/2025*

1st Quarter – March 16 to 19, 2026 **(Completed)**
2nd Quarter – June 15 to 18, 2026 **(Completed)**
3rd Quarter – September 14 to 17, 2026
4th Quarter - December 14 to 17, 2026