

AGENDA
ST. LAWRENCE BOROUGH COUNCIL
 OCTOBER 12, 2023 – 7:30 P.M.

**This meeting will be conducted and recorded via remote audio and video conference services (Zoom). Live-stream of the Zoom feed on the Borough’s YouTube Channel at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC47chxePrF2JS6NKMO3uS8w>**

* Call to order

* Pledge of Allegiance

* Roll call

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Robert J. May, President | <input type="checkbox"/> David Eggert, Vice President | <input type="checkbox"/> D. Michael Bennethum, Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Fritz, Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Geibel, Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Warren Lubenow, Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gregory Zawilla, Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Corrie Zana, Mayor | <input type="checkbox"/> Joan London, Esq. Solicitor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allison Leinbach, Manager/Treasurer | <input type="checkbox"/> Pamela Stevens, PE. Borough Engineer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Derrek Rhoads, Roadmaster | <input type="checkbox"/> Susan Eggert, Borough Secretary | |

* Council Minutes

Motion: to approve September 14, 2023, Borough Council Meeting Minutes

* Approval and Payment of Bills:

Motion: to approve the following *Expenditures as of October 11, 2023*

PAYABLES REPORT AS OF OCTOBER 11, 2023

General Fund	- \$	108,753.33
Sewer Fund	- \$	77,527.24
Liquid Fuels	- \$	3,139.88
Fire Tax Fund	- \$	-

* Approval of Treasurer’s Report

Motion: To accept and file for audit the Consolidated Treasurer’s Report and PW Garage Grant Treasurer’s Report- September 2023

FUND BALANCES AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

General Fund	-	\$ 577,694.25
Reserve Accounts	-	\$ 125,059.36
Fire Tax Fund	-	\$ 11,728.15
Sewer Fund	-	\$ 151,655.23
Liquid Fuels	-	\$ 257,682.44
PW Garage Grant	-	\$ 404,305.48

* Public Comment – If any

* Consultant’s Reports

Borough Engineer’s Report

Borough Solicitor’s Report

- **EMS Tax Ordinance Update**
- **Motion:** to authorize the Solicitor to schedule all advertisements necessary to adopt the EMS Tax Ordinance in December.
- **Motion:** to authorize the Solicitor to advertise for a Conditional Use hearing at the November Council meeting, if we receive the application and check by the 20th.

* Borough Mayor’s Report

* Department/Staff Reports

Borough Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer's Report

- **Fielding numerous phone calls concerning several properties in the Borough**
- **Working on consolidating the Zoning Ordinance and the two Ordinance amendments to present to Planning**
- **Working on updating the Floodplain Ordinance to meet current required standards.**
- **Addressing Code Enforcement issues as they arise**

Public Safety- Emergency Management

Report by EMC David Eggert

- **Motion: to Approve the Ongoing Declaration of Disaster Emergency Caused by The Rain Event on July 9, 2023**

Public Works – Sewers, Streets, Stormwater, etc.

Finance -1.6% real estate taxes uncollected -\$8,328.60

- As of the August 2023 abstract taxable property assessed at \$76,881,800, resulting in 1 mil of tax generating \$ 76,881.80
- The Borough has not received the results of Assessment Appeals before the County, should have a number by the end of the month

Manager

- Preliminary work on the budgets

* Committee/Commission Reports

Library

Municipal Lands

Recreation - No Report

Planning Commission -

Zoning Hearing Board - **No Report**

*General Comments

*Public Meetings - Announcements

All public meetings at St. Lawrence Borough Hall

- Borough office closed November 7th, 10th, 23rd & 24th
- Budget November 6th @ 9:30 AM
- Council Meeting – November 9th @7:30 PM, St. Lawrence Borough Hall

*Old Business

*New Business

A. Motion to make the following 2023 contributions:

- 1. Library - \$5/person x 1892 = \$9,460 (Budgeted)**
- 2. Berks County Conservation District - \$500**
- 3. Berks County Solid Waste Authority - \$500**
- 4. Crime Alert Berks - \$500**

*Executive Session - if needed

*Adjournment: **Motion** – Adjourn meeting