

Agenda - Pen Argyl Borough Council Meeting of Tuesday, December 10, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Executive Session:

An Executive Session was held on November 26, 2024 at 8:00 P.M. to discuss litigation matters.

Public Hearing:

A Public Hearing to consider the adoption of Resolution 2024-06 which adopts the Slate Belt Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan consisting of maps, charts and textual material covering the requirements set forth in the Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Code. (D10).

Visitors:

Adrienne Fors, WM update and letter request. (D11).

Discussion and Final Adoption of Year 2025 Budget (D12):

General Fund - \$2,574,640.00

Sewer Fund - \$1,468,100.00

State Fund - \$264,093.00

Reserve Fund - \$2,714,672.00

Garbage Wealth Fund - \$540,000.00

Reserve Wealth Fund - \$800,000.00

Tax Structure:

Real Estate Tax Millage - 13 Mills (No tax increase)

Per Capita (None)

Local Services Tax (LST) - \$52.00

Real Estate Transfer Tax - 1% - Shared Equally with School District

Earned Income Tax - 1% - Shared Equally with School District

Sewer Rental Fee - \$123.00 Minimum Quarterly Charge per Unit/10,000 Gallons (Increase of \$9.00 Per Quarter), \$13.50 per Thousand Gallon over 10,000 Gallons, Schools to \$15.39 per person, and Non-metered wells \$184.62 per quarter.

Garbage Fee - Garbage Fee Waived for year 2025

The Borough Assessment Valuation for 2025 is \$67,031,000, 2024 was \$66,900,200; 2023 was \$66,817,200; 2022 was \$66,969,800; and 2021 was \$67,093,100.

One (1) Mill equals \$67,031.00; less 5% uncollectible, collectible amount is \$63,678.45.

Prior years Millage: Years 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021 and 2020 were 13 Mills; and 2019 was 12 Mills.

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Resolution #2024- 07(D13) - for fixing 2025 Millage Rate.

Ordinance #734 (D14) to increase the quarterly Sewer Rental Fees.

Ordinance # 735 (D15) for suspending 2025 charges for residential dwelling units' collection of municipal waste.

Resolution #2024-08 (D16)- for Earned Income Tax, Local Services Tax (LST) and Property Transfer Tax for the Year of 2025:

Resolution # 2023-09 (D17) - to appoint Berkheimer Associates as Collector of the Local Services Tax (LST) and Keystone Collection Group as Collector of the Earned Income Tax for Year of 2025 (D16):

Public Works Report:

Monthly Report (D18). Camera system at a park (D19). Bathhouse updates (D1). Extension to ARPA Grant (D2). Parking meter issue (D3). N. Westbrook sidewalk & tree removal (D10 & D20). Gas and Oil Bid.

Zoning Report:

Monthly Report (D21). Bangor's disruptive conduct ordinance (D22).

Police Report:

Agendas for 11/21/2024 & 12/3/2024, minutes 11/6/2024 & 11/21/2024. (D4 & D23).

Fire Chief's Report:

Fire Chief Report. USDA/VLAP rates (D11). Fire Truck purchase.

Minutes:

Council Meeting of 11/6/2024 (D24) and Special Council Meeting of 11/26/2024 (D25). Park Board 11/13/2024 Agenda, Minutes 10/9/2024 (D5).

Correspondence:

Mayor's Report:

PIP Program. Borough Projects. Community Events/Awards & Certificates. Employee Engagement. Slate Belt Regional Police /Public Safety. COG Meeting 11/20/2024 (D6). Cookies, Carols, & Claus.

Planning Commission:

LVPC Correspondence (D26).

Solicitor's Report:

Ordinance Number 733, amending Section 79-6 of the Borough Code. (D12).

Sanitation, Solid Waste & Recycling:

Monthly Report (D27). 306 E. Babbitt Avenue (D7).

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Finance, Tax Exoneration, Insurance & Personnel:

Treasury Report (D28). Teamsters' Contract (D29). Blue Triton donation.

Property & Utilities:

Community Outreach:

Feral Cat Report (D30). FURR 2025. Hometown Press contract for 2025 (D31). Cookies, Carols, and Claus Event.

Borough Manager's Report:

Monthly Report (D32). Trucks on Local Roads Class (D8). SBCEDC (D9). January Borough Offices will be closed on 12/25/2024 and 1/1/2025. Office will close at Noon on 12/24/2024. Manager off - 12/16/2023-1/2/2025.

Payment of Bills:

Bill Summary (D33). General Fund - \$38,507.40; Sewer Fund - \$42,304.23. and Reserve Money Market Fund - \$331,907.77.

Executive Session:

Litigation. Security Arrangements. Personnel. Real Estate.

New Business:

Lobb Avenue. Vandalism at Park. Seasonal Hire. Real Estate.

Adjournment:

January Council Meeting - Tuesday, January 7, 2024 - 7:00 P. M.

Workshop – TBD