



**BOROUGH OF HATBORO COUNCIL
PUBLIC MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024
7:00 PM**

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INVOCATION (Mayor Schultz)

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Chief Ruegg)

4. MEETING NOTES

- Public Comment
 - Addressing Council
 - Time Allotment

5. PUBLIC COMMENT – (Voting Items Only)

6. MAYOR’S REPORT -

(Mayor Schultz)

7. OFFICERS’ REPORTS

- President’s Report
- Treasurer’s Report

(President Bollendorf)

(Treasurer Smith)

8. SOLICITOR REPORT

9. ENGINEER’S REPORT

10. MANAGER’S REPORT

11. STAFF REPORTS

- Police
- Tax Collections
- Public Works
- Downtown Development Update
- Fire Marshal Report
- Fire Company Report
- Second Alarmers Report

(Chief Ruegg)

(Tax Collector Mount)

(Manager Hegele)

(Manager Hegele & Cindy Bollendorf)

(Fire Marshal Valesky)

(Fire Company President Brown)

(Chief Davidson)

- Union Library Report

ORDER OF BUSINESS & VOTING ITEMS

1. Acknowledge Receipt of Reports

Motion: Motion to acknowledge receipt of Public Works, Fire Marshal, Tax Collector, Treasurer's Reports, EAC Minutes, and UMHJSA minutes.

2. Approval of Warrant List, Payment of Bills, Manual Checks and Transfers

Motion: Motion to approve Warrant List, Payment of Bills, Manual Checks, and Transfers for the month of November 2024.

3. October 28, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes

Motion: Motion to approve the October 28, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes.

4. October 30, 2024 Budget Workshop Minutes

Motion: Motion to approve the October 30, 2024 Budget Workshop Minutes.

5. November 4, 2024, Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion: Motion to approve the November 4, 2024, Committee Meeting minutes

6. Enterprise Fire Company Expenditure List

Motion: Motion to approve the Enterprise Fire Company Expenditure List for the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$35,378.43.

7. Delaware Valley Insurance Rate Stabilization Credits

Motion: Motion to approve the use of 100% of available Rate Stabilization Credits towards offsetting the Borough's 2025 Insurance Premiums.

8. Portnoff Law Agreement

Motion: Motion to approve the agreement between the Borough of Hatboro and Portnoff Law for the collection of past due Real Estate Taxes.

9. Portnoff Law Ordinance

Motion: Motion to authorize the advertisement of the Ordinance appointing Portnoff Law as the past due real estate tax collector for the Borough of Hatboro.

10. Portnoff Law Resolution

Motion: Motion to approve Resolution 2024-40, notifying Montgomery County that Portnoff Law will be the official past due tax collection authority for the Borough of Hatboro.

11. 2025 Preliminary Budget Adoption

Motion: Motion to adopt the 2025 Preliminary Operating Budget for the Borough of Hatboro.

12. Solid Waste Ordinance Amendment

Motion: Motion to approve the advertisement of the amended Solid Waste Ordinance.

13. 2025 Pool Snack Stand Proposals

Motion: Motion to award the 2025 Snack Stand Bid to Bill Carden.

14. EV Charger Ordinance

Motion: Motion to authorize Solicitor Geiser and Manager Hegele to begin working on an Electric Vehicle Charger Ordinance.

15. Historical Commission Ordinance Amendment

Motion: Motion to authorize Solicitor Geiser to begin drafting an amendment to the Historical Commission Ordinance which will allow the Historian to serve as an alternate for the Commission.

16. 206 Wood Street Amended Subdivision Resolution

Motion: Motion to approve Resolution 2024-41, amending the original Subdivision Resolution for the property located at 206 Wood Street.

17. 26 Horsham Road Zoning Hearing Board Appeal

Motion: Motion to ratify approval of Solicitor Geiser to begin working on the 26 Horsham Road Zoning Hearing Board Appeal.

18. 18 Horsham Road Zoning Hearing Board Application

Motion: Motion to direct the Solicitor to oppose the Zoning Hearing Board Application submitted by 18 Horsham Road (Concordance Ferments).

OLD BUSINESS AND UPDATES

NEW BUSINESS

1. Blood Drive Special Event Request

Motion: Motion to approve the Special Event Request for the Pennypack Blood Drive taking place on January 14, 2025.

2. Civil Service Resignation

Motion: Motion to accept the resignation of Rich Guyer from the Civil Service Commission effective November 4, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(President Bollendorf)

ADJOURNMENT

The Borough of Hatboro Public Comment Policy

I. BACKGROUND STATEMENT

The Pennsylvania Sunshine Act (65 Pa. C.S. 701, et seq) provides that the Board or Council of a political subdivision shall provide a reasonable opportunity at each advertised regular meeting and advertised special meeting for residents of the political subdivision or for taxpayers of the political subdivision to comment on matters of concern, official action or deliberation which are or may be before the Board or Council prior to taking official action. (710.1).

To assure compliance with the Act, to inform members of the public who may wish to make comment, and to provide for predictable and orderly implementation of the public comment period, Hatboro Borough Council has adopted this Public Comment Policy.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

1. Every regular and special meeting of Hatboro Borough Council shall have, as an agenda item, a period of time (Public Comment Period) set aside for receiving comments from Hatboro Borough residents and taxpayers as identified in the Act.
2. No member of the public shall make comment for more than three (3) minutes. No member of the public shall be allowed to delegate his/her time to any other members.
3. A period of time may be set aside for receiving additional comments from those members of the public attending a meeting who are not Hatboro Borough residents or taxpayers toward or at the end of the meeting by motion passed by a majority of Council members present and voting. Any discretionary public comment at the end of the meeting shall be limited to three (3) minutes per individual on any relevant Borough of Hatboro topic.
4. All such public comment shall be limited to matters of public concern, official action or deliberations that are, or may come, before Borough Council. If a group of residents or taxpayers of the Borough wish to comment on an issue and/or topic, they are asked to select one individual to speak for the group.
5. The purpose of the Public Comment Period is to receive comment, not to engage in public debate or argument with either members of Borough Council, Borough Staff or other members of the public attending the meeting.
6. Comment that makes personal attack on anyone shall not be allowed.
7. The presiding officer of the meeting shall have full charge and control of the Public Comment Period and enforcement of the provisions of this Policy.