



BOROUGH OF HATBORO

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TO: HATBORO RESIDENTS
FROM: Diane Hegele, Borough Manager
DATE: May 14th, 2026
RE: May 18th Council Meeting

Enclosed are the draft minutes from the April 27th meeting. These are not final until approved by Borough Council.

Council is also going to consider a nomination and appointment of a new council person to replace Mr. Don Hoover who resigned on April 27th. This person will be sworn in and seated before the start of the business portion of the meeting.

Council will also hear a presentation from an Eagle Scout on a proposed Eagle Scout project in the Borough.

The following is being discussed at the May 18th Council meeting.

1. Public Safety:

- a. Enterprise Fire Company Expenditure List - enclosed.
- b. West Monument Avenue Speed bumps/traffic calming update - The Chief of Police will be providing an update as to when the speed bumps will be installed as well as any other updates on enforcement and traffic calming initiatives. The Borough Manager will also provide an update on the status of the West Moreland Avenue bridge project.
- c. Fire Inspection Ordinance Update - The Fire Marshal is asking council to consider changes to this ordinance to include Definition of buildings, frequency of inspections, penalties for those that do not comply and responsibilities of the property owner. A copy of the proposed change is enclosed.

2. Finance & Grants:

- a. Union Library Expenditure List - enclosed
- b. Capital Budget Workshop - Council has scheduled a capital budget workshop on June 29th at 6 PM.

3. Community Outreach & Events:

- a. Upcoming Events - List attached.

- b. Hometown Hero Banners - The borough will be discussing a plan for administering this program. The banners were hung for year #2 by Public Works last week. Council will need to discuss and provide direction to staff on next steps for future banners for others looking to purchase and participate and length of time for the banners to be displayed.
- c. Special Event Request - Linked Souls Paranormal. They have been doing small events at Pennypack, donating the proceeds back to Pennypack. They are requesting to hold events in the summer months on May 3rd (already passed), June 7th and July 12th.
- d. Special Event Request - Honor & Courage Walk. The Borough has received a request from this organization who assists veterans and first responders to hold an event in Miller Meadow that includes a walk-through town on September 12th.
- e. Special Event Request - Senior Tai-Chi. The Borough has received a request for this every Wednesday (for Seniors) in July and August.

4. Public Works:

- a. 2026 Road Paving - Council will be authorizing the engineer and staff to solicit bids for the 2026 Road Paving Program for the Borough of Hatboro. The following streets are recommended for paving. Once the bids are received and reviewed, the final streets to be paved will be sent to council for approval as well as the bids to be awarded based on costs and funds available to pave. This will occur at the June meeting of Council. The following roads have been discussed (April meeting) and are part of the bid documents:
 - i. Wood Street (from E. Montgomery to Dead End)
 - ii. Abbott's Lane (from W. Montgomery to W. Moreland)
 - iii. Broad Street (W. Moreland to W. Monument)
 - iv. Horsham Road (Eastbound from Continental to Moreboro)
 - v. Horsham Road (Westbound from York to Academy)
- b. Road Restoration Ordinance - The Borough has been working on this for some time and attached is the final draft document for council review. The purpose of this ordinance is to enable staff to work with contractors and utilities who do work in the Borough to ensure that Borough roads are restored after utility or other work.

5. Environmental Affairs & Parks:

- a. Update - Councilman Myers will share an update on EAC meeting, Tree Tenders and Bird Town meetings.
- b. Acceptance of EAC Annual Report - copy of report is attached. Council has to approve the annual report of activities by the EAC in 2025.

6. Administration:

- a. Meeting Announcements - upcoming meetings will be announced. All meetings can be found on the Borough website at www.myhatboro.org
- b. Shade Tree Commission Appointment - Council will be appointing Ms. Marianne Shaefer to the Shade Tree Commission effective June 1, 2026.
- c. Data Center Ordinance Discussion - During the zoning re-write process members of the Planning Commission brought up for discussion of Data Centers and where or how they fit into the Borough zoning. As this is new, it is not included in current zoning. Borough Council is going to discuss this topic at their meeting as well as discuss if the Borough should proceed now with a standalone zoning ordinance that regulates Data Centers in the

Borough or wait and include in the zoning re-write process. Attached to this memo is a publication that was authored by Chester and Montgomery Counties titled "Data Center Ordinance Guide" There is also a few presentations from Montgomery County about Data Centers and what they could look like in Hatboro Borough on the borough website, www.myhatboro.org under the tab for the zoning re-write.

- d. Verizon Franchise Agreement Hearing Notice - It is time again for the Borough to negotiate the terms of Verizon Cable Franchise Renewal. The Borough is part of a group from the Montgomery County Consortium that includes 13 municipalities who are all in negotiations. The negotiations are being handled by the Cohen Law Group. They have handled past negotiations for the Borough. Council will be authorizing staff to proceed with advertising a public hearing for June.

As always, if there are any questions about the council agenda or packet information, please reach out to Borough Hall at 215-443-9100 or Manager Hegele at dhegele@myhatboro.org.