

Business Meeting Agenda

Borough of West Reading Council Tuesday, September 19, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

1.	Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call <div> <div> Ryan Lineaweaver, President Christopher Lincoln, Pro-Tem Patrick Kaag, Member Zachary Shaver, Member Daniel Becker, Solicitor </div> <div> Philip Wert, Vice President Jennifer Bressler, Member Denise Drobnick, Member Samantha Kaag, Mayor Dean Murray, Borough Manager </div> </div>
2.	Executive Session: <i>Borough Council held an executive session on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the potential acquisition of real property and dismissal of Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission (PHRC) filings being closed due to insufficient evidence.</i>
3.	Agenda Amendments
4.	Public Comment: <i>*Per Resolution 2016-1: Time limited to 5 minutes per person. Only residents and taxpayers of the Borough of West Reading will be permitted to address Borough Council. Please state your name and physical address for the record. Written comments can be submitted to info@westreadingborough.org prior to noon on the date of the meeting. Please include: the meeting date "(i.e., 8/17/21) Public Comment" in the subject line of your email and include your name and address.</i>
5.	Reading Hospital Road Run
6.	Approval of Minutes <ol style="list-style-type: none"> August 15, 2023 – Regular Meeting August 29, 2023 – Budget Meeting September 9, 2023 – Budget Meeting <p>1) Action Item: <i>Consideration to approve the minutes.</i></p>
7.	Ordinances / Resolutions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ordinance 1173 Animals Code Red / Code Blue 1) Action Item: <i>Consideration to adopt an amendment to Chapter 152 Animals to include provisions that would prohibit an animal from being kept outdoors during extreme hot or cold weather conditions.</i> Ordinance 1174 Pension Advisory Committee 1) Action Item: <i>Consideration to adopt an amendment to establish an enabling ordinance of a Pension Advisory Committee, and to accept letters of resignation and appointment of members.</i> Ordinance – Special Purpose Parking Zones & One-Way Streets Amendment 1) Action Item: <i>Consideration to authorize the advertisement of an amendment to relocate a handicapped parking space within the 100 block of Tulpehocken Avenue and supplement the list of one-way streets to include Juniata Street from Walnut Street to Olive Street, and Holland Square from Lakeview Drive to Lakeview Drive.</i> Resolution 2023-20 Extension of Local Disaster Emergency 1) Action Item: <i>Consideration to adopt an extension to the Proclamation of Local Disaster Emergency through the Wednesday, October 18, 2023 Council meeting.</i>
8.	Consultants' Reports <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Solicitor's Report Engineer's Report <p>1) Action Item: <i>Consideration to accept or reject all bids received for the collection and transportation of solid waste and recyclable materials on September 12, 2023, and to proceed accordingly.</i></p>
9.	Council President's Report 1) Action Item: <i>Consideration of appointing a member to the July 4th Ad Hoc Committee.</i>
10.	Borough Manager's Report <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Action Item: <i>Consideration of amending the Cooperative Police Service Agreement with the City of Reading to be the primary agency dispatched to calls for the Pickleball and Basketball Court area.</i> Action Item: <i>Consideration to adopt a Borough of West Reading Safety Program as the official safety manual.</i> Action Item: <i>Consideration to designate Stephanie Burkholder as the Accident and Illness Prevention Program Coordinator.</i>

		4) Action Item: Consideration to allow a Borough Resident to use a metal detector on Borough owned property.
10.		Mayor's Report
11.		Department Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Police Department b. Public Works Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Action Item: Consideration to locate a Public Works Memorial within the parkland. 2) Action Item: Consideration to improve the storm sewer catch basins near the firehouse in preparation of the R.M. Palmer memorial garden. c. Fire Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Action Item: Consideration to extend the bid acceptance timeframe sixty-days for the 2000 Seagrave Engine. d. Code Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Action Item: Consideration of researching a replacement vehicle for the one that is currently out of service. e. West Reading Community Revitalization Foundation Report
12.		Committee / Commission Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Equity Diversity & Inclusion Taskforce b. Recreation Commission – September 5, 2023 c. Planning Commission – September 6, 2023 d. Economic Development Committee – August 14, 2023 & September 11, 2023 e. Environmental Advisory Council – August 28, 2023 f. Traffic & Infrastructure Committee – September 13, 2023 g. Shade Tree Commission – September 5, 2023 – Cancelled h. Safety Committee – August 14, 2023 & September 11, 2023
13.		Treasurer's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 2024 Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System (PMRS) Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) Pension Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Action Item: Consideration to approve the PMRS MMO budget for 2024. b. Financial Statement – 8 months ending 8/31/2023 c. Payment Approval Report – 8/16/23 to 9/15/23 & 9/16/23 to 9/19/23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Action Item: Consideration to approve the financial statement ending 8/31/23 and payment approval reports of 8/16/23 through 9/19/23.
14.		Public Comment
15.		Adjournment