Borough of Greencastle April 2024 Council Meeting Manager's Report

Administration & Finance

Task	Report	Timeline
Non-Borough Contracted Utility Work	 Shentel/Glofiber is continuing their infrastructure construction throughout the Borough with current and upcoming areas of work including: E. Franklin St, S. Carlisle St, S. Washington St, S. Allison St, S. Ridge Ave, Maple Ave, Oak Lane, Addison Ave Carowinds Dr, W. Walter Ave, Sunburst Dr, Celestial Terr, Starlight Dr, Moonlight Dr Williamson Ave, Jeffrey Dr, Baumgardner Dr, Edward Dr, W. Baltimore St, N. Carlisle St Columbia Gas is working to replace infrastructure in the following areas: N. Linden Avenue, Tyrone Street and N. Allison Street Construction timelines and notifications will continue to be provided on the Borough website and Facebook page 	Feb 2022 – non-exclusive franchise agreement established with Shentel Jun 2023 to mid-2024 – Shentel construction throughout Borough Sep 2023 to mid-2024 – Columbia Gas construction of new gas mains
Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement Renewal	 Current franchise agreement with Comcast will expire in August of 2024 New agreement drafted and provided by Comcast in mid-January 10-year non-exclusive franchise agreement Requires Comcast to pay a quarterly fee equal to 5% of annual gross revenue from services provided within the Borough Salzmann Hughes has reviewed the agreement and final modifications are being completed for Council's review 	Jan 17 – draft franchise agreement provided by Comcast & legal review began May – Council review & approval to execute the final agreement
Franklin County Reassessment (No Change)	 Franklin County real estate valuations were last comprehensively reassessed in 1961 Cumberland, Adams, and Perry Counties completed their most recent reassessments in 2011 Chambersburg Borough Council authorized a letter to be sent to the Franklin County Commissioners requesting a County-wide reassessment and support from other Franklin County municipalities 	1961 – Franklin County's most recent reassessment of real estate values Jan 8 – Chambersburg Borough Council authorization to request reassessment

Franklin County Reassessment (No Change)	 Shippensburg and Waynesboro Boroughs have endorsed and added support to Chambersburg Borough's reassessment request Chambersburg Borough Council President Allen Coffman attended the February Greencastle Borough Council meeting, discussed the need for County-wide reassessment and provided information Representatives from several Boroughs in Franklin County attended a meeting to discuss reassessment and review ways to address the need for updated property valuations with the County Commissioners Staff will keep Council updated on this topic with any new developments 	Jan 16 & 17 – Shippensburg & Waynesboro officially support reassessment Feb 15 – meeting with Franklin County Borough representatives
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Community & Economic Development

Task	Report	Timeline
Beautification Committee	Monthly meetings began in March and will continue until the end of the year	Apr 9 th at 3pm – public meeting
	 The committee is drafting a donation request letter for business owners and the public to participate in upgrading benches and trash cans in Center Square 	Apr – begin fundraising for benches & trash cans
	 Committee will be responsible for all plantings in Center Square including island and corners as Marie Eshleman is stepping back from some of her long standing volunteer efforts 	
E. Baltimore St property	 An LSA grant was submitted to fund the development of the Borough's lot into a plaza area focused on multipurpose community involvement as designed by FSA Incorporates a covered stage area, focal wall for art and historic signage, landscaping, and hardscapes An agreement is to be established with Brightspeed allowing for a mural or architectural façade wall on the phone company building along the west side of the plaza Staff to reach out to neighboring property owner to discuss brick wall repairs and potential improvements to the back portion of the neighboring building Borough Council approved the following next steps: 	Jun 2023 – purchased property Nov 2023 – submitted LSA grant application Mar 4 th – Council approved requesting quote for brick wall repairs Mid-2024 – wall repairs * The Community & Economic Development
	 Cost estimates to be requested for the structural and architectural design and specifications for repairs to the existing fire wall and the construction of a new brick veneer wall 	committee will meet as needed

Service Project Coordination with Grace Academy

- Staff was contacted by a teacher and a member of the executive committee of Grace Academy in Maryland
- Working to coordinate schedules and determine a project appropriate for several sixth grade students in a Student Service Learning class

Mar 25th – initial contact from Grace Academy representatives

May – service project to occur

Current Development Under Review

Name of Development	Zoning District	Proposed Use/Improvement	Status
Dollar General on N. Antrim Way	НС	 Final subdivision plan approved by Council for parcel 08-2A00007 000000 Final land development plans for the construction of a Dollar General store 	 May 2023 – Council approved preliminary land development plan Planning Commission has tabled last three final plan submittals Several outstanding comments related to stormwater and screening requirements Variance request submitted to the ZHB related to the required landscape buffer Requested a 120-day extension for review until 7/9/2024
GASD & Chambersburg Hospital Subdivision	CC-II & INS	 Subdivision of the Chambersburg Hospital parcel fronting on Eastern Avenue Consolidation of 10.097 acres to school district tract 	 Plans submitted to Borough & Antrim Township Planning Commissions ARRO initial review completed, comment letter provided to developer to address and resubmit Plans tabled at the February 12th Planning Commission meeting Requested a 180-day extension for review until 11/8/2024
162 S. Carlisle St	R2	 Land development plans submitted to the construction of 3 attached residential units Sep 2022 – ZHB approved variance for front yard setbacks (205-24) 	 Jan 2024 – current LD resubmittal Application for variance has been submitted to the ZHB related to setbacks & lot coverage Plans tabled at the February 12th Planning Commission meeting Requested a 90-extension for review until 8/10/2024

Buchanan Flats (No Change)	R-2	 10 multi-family structures 2 buildings with 48 units in Borough Total 288 units Developer's Agreement: Traffic Signal Monitoring Stormwater Operations and Maintenance Moss Spring Avenue traffic calming improvements Bonding requirements 	 Council approved final land development plans on June 26, 2023 with several required conditions Initial conditions required to be completed by July 6th were met Other required conditions: Antrim Township and PennDOT approval Establish agreeable timeline for Moss Spring Avenue connection
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Personnel

Task	Report	Timeline
	 Staff proctored the written police officer civil service testing on March 26th 5 applicants signed up and completed the testing 	Sep 2023 – Council approved CSC activation
Civil Service Testing for Full-Time Police Officer	 Testing to be graded by McCann Associates Upon receiving the written test results, any applicants that passed with a 70% or greater will proceed to physical agility testing, oral interview, and a medical and psychological evaluation An eligibility list for the Civil Service Commission's review will be created based on the results of all evaluations Eligibility list will be provided to Council for the hiring of a full-time police officer 	Sep 2023 – CSC met & approved testing Nov 2023 – testing advertised but cancelled due to no applications Mar 26 – civil service written test occurred
Civil Service Commission Sergeant Position	 Sergeant position criteria was reviewed by the Commission at their February 22nd meeting Articles reserved in the 2001 CSC Rules and Regulations Sergeant pay scale established in the current collective bargaining agreement Salzmann Hughes drafting modifications to the CSC Rules and Regulations pending Commission approval 	Feb – Council approved CSC activation to establish criteria for Sergeant & CSC met Apr – CSC to meet and review Rules & Regs modifications
Hiring Updates	 Full-time Water Treatment Plant position opening Job posted, interviews underway, applications will be accepted until the position has been filled Chief of Police applicant discussions occurring Currently hiring for full-time and part-time police officers 	May 2024 – Chief hiring recommendation

Public Facilities

Task	Report	Timeline
N. Carlisle Street Project	 Sidewalk repair work is needed to finalize the project In late 2023, remaining work was advertised for public bidding and submitted to local contractors for quotes Costs higher than anticipated, not accepted by Council Staff to meet with contractors to review repair options Scope of work to be reevaluated to be under the \$25,000 threshold for prevailing wage Committee to review options for rebilling of the acceptable work completed, staff to provide: Breakdown of properties to begin rebilling Total cost per each property Impact of potential 10% discount in addition to 3-year payment plan 	2024 – remaining sidewalk repairs, project completion, rebilling determination
N. Washington Street Roadway Improvements Project	 Scope: install sidewalks, curbs, ADA ramps, paving, trees Funding: DCED Multimodal Transportation Grant awarded = \$259,079.00 2021 CDBG = \$110,000.00 for ADA ramps Liquid fuels funds = \$200,000 budgeted as required matching funds Columbia Gas – completing top coat paving Ganoe Paving has been awarded the contract as the lowest bidder with an initial contract price of \$517,449.60 including all contingency and alternate items Contract has been reviewed by legal and finalized Letters are being drafted for resident awareness Construction planned for early spring of 2024 Full time RPR \$80,000 budgeted for inspection Full time RPR \$80,000 budgeted for inspection Construction Full time RPR \$80,000 budgeted for inspection Construction Full time RPR \$80,000 budgeted for inspection Full time RPR \$80,000 budgeted for inspection Construction Construction	Jan 2024 – project awarded to Ganoe Paving Mar 2024 – Notice to Proceed Spring 2024 – construction begins Summer 2024 – project completion Fall 2024 – administrative grant closeouts
Alley Paving	 Scope: 3" mill and 3" overlay of 19mm asphalt, 795 linear feet E. Warren Ln from N. Washington St to N. Allison St N. Church Ln from E. Warren Ln to E. Madison St Budget: Construction = \$40,000 - 01.439.610 Schedule: May to September depending on contractor availability 	Mar 22 – advertised in Public Opinion Apr 9 – pre-bid meeting Apr 23 – bids due & publically opened

Public Safety

Task	Report	Timeline
Current Items Under Review	 Letters to be mailed to PennDOT Request to add signage, striping, and delineators based on safety concerns at the S. Ridge Avenue and E. Baltimore Street crosswalk Request for a traffic study to be conducted on Baltimore Street to support truck traffic restrictions for local deliveries only Post-fire protocols & safety regulations Request information from Clem Mellott regarding inspection options Review PSAB draft ordinances and other municipalities Industrial Pallet Company (IPC) concerns Review the Borough's past involvement with the pallet company including a possible draft agreement Request IPC install screening shrubs along N. Carlisle St 	The Public Safety committee will meet as needed and all meeting dates will be posted online

	Safety concerns have been identified related to pedestrian visibility surrounding Center Square	Feb – reviewed by PS committee
Center Square Compact Car Regulations	 Council approved the drafting of an ordinance to make several parking spaces near crosswalks around Center Square limited to compact car parking only Legal and staff to draft an ordinance for Council review, advertisement, and enactment 	Mar – Council review & authorization to draft ordinance May – draft ordinance for Council review

Greencastle Area, Franklin County, Water Authority Updates

Task	Report	Timeline
Lead and Copper Regulations	 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) updated regulations on lead and copper materials used in water distribution systems Investigation of all service line materials is required Inventory of service line material must be submitted to the EPA by October 2024 	Mar – owner notification Mar to Oct – full system inspection of service line materials Oct – submission of inventory data to EPA

Public Works Department Operational Updates

- Over 45 PA One calls completed related to upcoming construction work and development projects
- Seasonal Borough-wide street sweeping
- Inlet box cleaning and inspection
- Assisted with tree trimming at Waste Water Treatment Plant
- Replaced concrete parking block in Borough Hall parking lot
- Assisted contractors and managed coordination for repairs to town siren
- Reviewed alley paving specifications, bid advertisement, and contractor correspondence

Sewer Department Operational Updates

- Contractor work
 - Anytime & Capital Electric finalized VFD project
 - T. Byers completed the W. Franklin Street replacement project
 - Dependable Roofing installed a roof over the VFD panel to regulate panel box temperatures
- Staff work
 - Requested quotes for manhole rehabilitation work
 - Oversight and coordination of W. Franklin Street project
 - Tree trimming around fences at the Waste Water Treatment Plant