Borough of Greencastle September 2024 Council Meeting Manager's Report

Administration & Finance

		Timeline
2025 Budget	 Public budget meetings with the Admin & Finance committee have been scheduled and advertised as follows: Thursday, September 5th, 12th and 19th at 5pm 	Aug – justification sheets Sep & Oct – meetings Nov – preliminarily adopt
	 Department heads have reviewed capital projects and are receiving quotes to be incorporated in the 2025 budget Justification sheets distributed to department heads and to be completed by early September 	Dec – adopt budget, ordinances & resolutions
	 Any change to the tax or sewer rate is done via ordinance, SPIF rate change and maintaining the current millage rate occurs through resolution 	
Resolution 2024-04 Reallocation of ARPA Funds	 The Borough's allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 \$417,871.04 total ARPA funds received \$250,638.99 remaining to be spent (YTD) Council approved the following expenditures utilizing and reallocating the remaining ARPA funds: Rescue Hose Co Contributions - \$55,000 Park Project Funding - \$50,000 Public Works Unit 1 Replacement - \$85,000 Police Vehicle Replacements - \$90,000 Sewer Infrastructure Cleaning & Televising - \$100,000 Engineering: Walter Bridge & Mifflin Ln - \$15,000 Progress on approved expenditures: YTD RHC Contributions - \$53,991.07 (includes Q2/24) Park Project – engineering work finalized for phase 1a of the brick wall repairs will be presented to Council to authorize the advertisement of invitation to bid PW vehicle ordered from Keystone Ford Police vehicles and upfitting costs expensed 	May – Council approved ARPA funds allocation Jun to EOY – staff executing approved projects and expenditures

Support of Other Municipalities & Organizations	 The Borough staff is working with the Besore Library board to assist with the submittal of a Keystone Grant to request funding for public safety improvements Council to review required Resolution of Support Washington Township staff reached out to request the Borough's support of their submittal of a grant application for improvements to the Township's transfer station and recycling center Letter of Support drafted for Council's review 	Sep – Council consideration to support these local grant submittals
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Community & Economic Development

Task	Report	Timeline
Beautification	 Committee members continue to water and care for all plantings in Center Square, the pots at the N. Carlisle Street bump outs, and Borough office 	May to Sep – water continuously plantings
	 Winter plantings and decorations in Center Square under review by the committee for the 2024 holiday season 	Aug – approval to order benches & trash cans
Committee	 Benches and trash cans purchased as approved by Council Trash cans have been delivered and to be installed in 	Aug 29 – trash cans received
	Center Square, benches to be received in 4-5 weeks - Letter requesting donations/donors to be circulated	Sep – benches to be delivered
	An LSA grant was submitted to fund the development of the Borough's lot into a plaza area focused on	Jun 2023 – purchased property
	multipurpose community involvement as designed by FSA - Design incorporates a covered stage area, focal wall for	Nov 2023 – submitted LSA grant application
	art and historic signage, landscaping, and hardscapes - LSA grant determination anticipated for September	May 6 – Council approved initial engineering &
	 Phase 1a – Repairing the Brick Wall 	construction budget
E. Baltimore St	 Improvements to existing brick wall, focusing on repairing damage and construction of a new brick wall 	Jun to EOY – focus on brick wall repairs
Property	- Budget	
	Engineering – FSA approved as NTE \$27,000	
	Construction – \$50,000 in ARPA, \$15,000 GF	
	- Tentative Schedule:	
	Aug – design & specifications complete	
	Sep – bid project, outreach to local contractors	
	Oct – bids due, Council award, NTP issued	
	Oct to EOY – construction	

Proposed Ordinance: Chapter 205 Zoning Amendment	 The Planning Commission has recommended that Council consider the rezoning of tax parcel number 08-2B22077000000 from R-2 to R-1 Rezoning the parcel will be completed as an expansion of an already existing R-1 District, eliminating a possible concern of spot zoning The proposed zoning change to this parcel would have no impact on the conditionally approved Buchanan Flats LD plan, at least for a period of 5 years from the June 26, 2023 date of Council's conditional approval ARRO to create an updated Zoning Map, if Council votes to proceed with zoning amendment Other modifications to be made to Chapter 205 Zoning and incorporated in this ordinance change: § 205-21 – add size restrictions for detached garages § 205-10.D – modify screening requirements for parcels in the Highway Commercial § 205-19.A – add dimensional criteria for detached commercial and industrial uses in the Community Commercial District Upon Council's approval of the draft ordinance, staff will provide a copy to Franklin County Planning and the Planning Commission at least 30 days prior to the hearing Staff will follow all advertising and posting requirements as outlined in the Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) for zoning amendments 	Aug 12 – PC recommendation to rezoning parcel Aug 28 – draft ordinance provided by solicitor for Council review Sep – Council consideration of ordinance change Oct – County & PC review Nov – Council authorize advertisement, post impacted properties Dec – public hearing & enactment
Proposed Ordinance: Portable Storage Containers (No Change)	 Establishes regulations for the use, size, and location of portable storage containers and permitting requirements Residential regulations for R1, R2, and RM: 1 per property, 5 ft setbacks, 30 days max. on property Commercial regulations for CC, CC-II, HC, INS, and MX: Maximum of 3 per property based on total lot area, 5 ft setbacks, can be permanent if permitted annually Council's requested changes and concerns: More clear definitions with examples, but not limiting Impact on property value, consideration in assessment Legal review underway, draft anticipated to be evaluated at Council's October meeting 	Feb – initial review by Planning Commission May – Planning Commission recommendation to Borough Council Jun – Council approved legal review Oct – Council review & approval for advertisement

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 Variance request denied by the ZHB relative to the required landscape buffer August 5th – Council approved final land development plans based on the following conditions: Developer's agreement Stormwater O&M agreement Payment of delinquent fees Third party approvals include a PennDOT HOP
GASD & Chambersburg Hospital Subdivision (No Change)	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 & Township Planning Commissions Initial review completed, developer addressing comments for resubmittal 180-day extension for review approved until 11/8/2024
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 met as required to be completed by July 6, 2023 Other required conditions: Antrim Township and PennDOT approval Establish an agreeable timeline for opening the Moss Spring Avenue connection

Personnel

Task	Report	Timeline
Civil Service Testing for Full-Time Police Officer	 Third civil service testing session completed in mid-August 3 applicants passed the written exam with a minimum score of 70% as required by the CSC rules & regulations Staff is scheduling the oral examination with the 3 passing applicants and will tally all scores as per CSC regulations An eligibility list for the Civil Service Commission's review 	Mar 26, Jun 28, Aug 15 – Civil Service written testing Sep – Civil Service Commission to certify eligibility list
	 will be created based on the results of all evaluations CSC-certified eligibility list will be provided to Council for the hiring of a full-time police officer 	Oct – eligibility list to Borough Council for hiring action
Resolution 2024-03 Civil Service Commission Sergeant Position	 Council approved Sergeant position criteria modifications to the Civil Service Commission Rules and Regulations Staff, Mayor, and Council working to create Sergeant's examination Greencastle-specific questions drafted and provided to testing agency for inclusion on Sergeant's test 	May – Council approved Rules & Regs modifications Sep – Sergeant testing
Hiring Updates	 Chief of Police Staff & Mayor conducted preliminary phone interviews Full Council began to interview top candidates in August with interviews to finalized in early-September 	Applications for Chief of Police will be accepted until the position has been filled

Public Facilities

Task	Report	Timeline
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 initial contract price of \$517,449.60 including all contingency and alternate items CO #1 – approved – authorizing void areas found under the sidewalk near B Street property to be filled in CO #2 – under consideration – to address curb and driveway modifications at 101 N. Washington Street 	Jan 2024 – project awarded to Ganoe Paving Mar 2024 – Notice to Proceed Jul 12 – substantial completion date Aug – final completion Fall 2024 – administrative grant closeouts

N. Washington Street Roadway Improvements Project (Continued)	 Borough's scope of work finalized and under budget: Contract price plus change orders = \$531,670.60 Total amount to be paid including final application = \$437,532.24 Columbia Gas paving planned for September 2nd and 3rd Staff to submit for reimbursement funds through grant funding agencies 	
2019 CDBG ADA Ramps	 Scope: install 42 ADA ramps at various locations Funding = \$289,500.00 Budgeted engineering = \$88,205.00 for design, bid, permitting, FT RPR Proposed Timeline: bids due August, award project in September, construction from September to the end of the year depending on weather Funding extension granted until July 2025 Update: Bid received and publically opened August 23rd Council to consider Ganoe Paving's initial contract price of \$288,770.00 as the lowest responsible bidder Salzmann Hughes reviewed contract & bid documents Staff to provide Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed pending Council authorization 	Jun – design complete Jul – advertise project Aug 23– bids due Sep – award project and execute contract Sep through EOY – construction Jul 2025 – funding deadline
Alley Paving	 Scope: 3" mill and 3" overlay of 19mm asphalt, 795 LF E. Warren Ln from N. Washington St to N. Allison St N. Church Ln from E. Warren Ln to E. Madison St Construction budget: \$40,000 - 01.439.610 Kinsley awarded the project as the lowest responsible bidder for a total cost of \$22,380.27 with the Borough purchasing paving material at COSTAR rates Scope of work completed, project closeout to be finalized pending Council approval 	Mar 22 – advertised in Public Opinion Apr 9 – pre-bid meeting Apr 23 – bid opening May 6 – Council awarded project to Kinsley Aug – construction occurred & finalized
MS4 Waiver Resubmittal	 The Borough's current 5-year PA DEP waiver from MS4 permit requirements expires on May 12, 2025 and must be resubmitted by November 13, 2024 (180 days prior) Budgeted \$4,000 for engineering support to resubmit waiver by November 2024 deadline Keller Engineering has completed the Borough's waiver application and will be mailing it to PADEP in early September for review and consideration of renewal 	Aug – waiver application completed Sep – submit waiver application May 12, 2025 – current waiver expires

2022 CDBG & Green Light Go: Walter Ave & Rt 11 Intersection (No Change)	 Scope: install pedestrian crosswalk signals, ADA ramps, reconfigure crosswalks on all corners of intersection PennDOT permit will need to be updated with these improvements, staff will request the signal permit is updated to include a left turn option on Route 11 Green Light Go funding awarded for updates to all of the Borough's signal controls which will be incorporated into a comprehensive intersection improvements project for the Walter Ave & Rt 11 signal Funding: CDBG – \$286,103.00 GLG – \$229,080.00 to update all (3) signal controls Budgeted engineering = \$40,000 for design, bid, permits Projected Timeline: Bid in late fall, award project in December for construction in 2025 GLG funding required to be expensed by May 2026 	Oct – design completed and advertise project Nov – bids due Dec – award project and execute contract Spring 2025 – construction May 2026 – GLG funding deadline
2023 CDBG Flashing Beacon: E. Baltimore St & S. Ridge Ave (No Change)	 Scope: install flashing beacon at E. Baltimore Street at S. Ridge Avenue crosswalk Funding: \$55,000.00 for engineering & installation Update: DCED reviewing funding request, plan to combine funding for 2023 and 2024 applications 	May – revised scope provided Sep – funding determination 2028 – funding deadline
2024 CDBG Application Calming Measures: E. Baltimore St & S. Ridge Ave (No Change)	 Proposed scope: install 6 foot wide concrete bump out incorporating the flashing beacon at the intersection at E. Baltimore Street at S. Ridge Avenue crosswalk Two push button flashing beacons at crosswalk, 1 flashing pedestrian crosswalk warning sign and tapered bump out beginning mid-block between Linden Avenue and S. Ridge Avenue on shoulder of the westbound lane Funding Requested: \$150,000.00 for engineering & construction combined with funding for 2023 application Application submitted to Franklin County on July 31st 	Jul 31 – application submitted 2025 – funding determination 2029 – funding deadline
N. Carlisle Street Project (No Change)	 Rebilling process for all finalized properties underway Sidewalk repairs are 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 reevaluate scope of work to be under the \$25,000 threshold for prevailing wage 	Jun – initial sidewalk rebilling letters mailed out Jul to EOY – remaining sidewalk repairs, project completion

Public Safety

Task	Report	Timeline
Resolution: Sale of Surplus	Council previously authorized the drafting of a resolution approving the sale of the following surplus vehicles:	May – Council approval of vehicle purchases
	2013 Chevy Tahoe2016 Ford Interceptor Utility	Aug – new police vehicles in service
Material – PD Vehicles & Bicycles	Council to consider the sale of two surplus Greencastle Police Department bicycles as well	Sep – Council to consider sale of police bicycles
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Proposed Ordinance: Chapter 190 Vehicles & Traffic	 Several topics reviewed and recommended by the Borough's Public Safety Committee require an ordinance change to Chapter 190 of the Borough Code Center Square parking restricted to "no trucks, vans, or SUVs" to improve pedestrian visibility & motorist safety §190-27 – parking prohibited at all times No parking on either side of W. Madison Street from Route 11 to Findlay Avenue §190-34 – handicap parking Eliminate handicap parking on S. Ridge Ave near Besore Library as requested by library Add handicap parking on E. Madison Street as requested by resident Legal and staff to finalize ordinance for Council review 	Aug – reviewed and recommended by PS Oct – Council review of ordinance for advertising Nov – Council enactment of ordinance
Proposed Ordinance: Food Trucks	 With the increasing popularity of mobile food trucks, the Borough Public Safety Committee has recommended an ordinance be created regulating food truck parking in public areas The draft ordinance will limit food truck parking to the Highway Commercial District and create restrictions for frequency and duration of parking on a public roadway 	Aug – reviewed and recommended by PS Oct – Council review of ordinance for advertising Nov – Council enactment of ordinance
PennDOT Correspondence	 Upon Council's approval, staff drafted and sent a letter to PennDOT requesting a speed limit reduction from the current 35 mph speed limit to 25 mph on SR0016 (East Baltimore Street) from S. Linden Avenue to the Borough's eastern municipal boundary. Letter sent August 22nd, staff will update Council on PennDOT's review and determination 	Aug 22 – letter mailed to District 8 PennDOT representatives

Public Works Department Operational Updates

- Over 55 PA One calls completed related to upcoming construction work and development projects
- Annual evaluation of shade trees, complied listing of necessary trimming, removals, and replacements scheduled for Fall season
- Street sweeping, watering of shade trees, and Center Square shrubs
- Coordination of town siren and Center Square lighting repairs
- Procurement of new benches and trash cans for Center Square as approved by Council
- Assistance with the Waste Water Treatment Plant staff in the collection of biosolids samples
- Oversight of the N. Washington Street construction project

Sewer Administrative Updates

Task	Report	Timeline
Antrim Township Inter-Municipal Agreement	 Current agreement was established in March of 1990 outlining terms for the Borough's treatment of sewage received from residents located in Antrim Township Currently reserves a maximum flow of 200,000 gallons per day, tying up a considerable amount of plant capacity Normal daily flow received from Antrim Township customers is approximately 20,000 gallons per day Staff communicated to Township staff the desire to revise the current agreement, Borough sewer engineer providing a draft agreement for Township consideration 	Jul – staff reached out to Township Aug – draft agreement to legal for review Sep – meeting with Antrim Township Nov – Council authorize execution of new inter-municipal agreement
Sewer Ordinance Chapter 155	 Drafted by William Hill and Borough staff More comprehensive; provides greater protection for the Borough and clearer specification of sewer regulations Salzmann Hughes is reviewing and preparing the document for Council consideration 	Aug – legal review Nov – Council review Dec – advertise Jan 2025 – adopt updated ordinance

Sewer Department Operational Updates

- Contractor work
 - Charter Machine inspected the plant press and determined it to be in good working order
 - Bricker's Welding re-welded the stainless steel roller per recommendation by Charter Machine
 - Doug Degrange completed concrete work on contact basin and stairs
- Staff work
 - Assisted resident on Tyrone Street with sewer issues, determined to be outside the Borough's ROW
 - Annual biosolids composite and grab sample testing completed and sent for analysis
 - Switched operational treatment processes from side 2 to side 1

- Public Works assisted treatment plant staff with lowering some valve boxes that were trip hazards around the plant and treatment plant staff poured cement around the boxes
- Filled the plant generator and three pumping stations generators with fuel
- Staff formed up a new flow channel in side two of the contact basin and had DeGrange pour concrete in the channel and install concrete stairs to replace previous wooden stairs
- Unclogged the air release valve on pump one at Carlisle Street Station
- Completed Flexkrete repairs to clarifier two wall prior to epoxy work planned for the end of the year
- Coordinated sewer infrastructure cleaning & televising work to be completed by Mr. Rehab mid-October utilizing ARPA funds as approved by Council