



EBENSBURG BULLETIN

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Ebensburg Enjoys a Successful 2022

Council and staff were able to complete many projects during 2022:

1. Completed installation of trees on W. Horner Street, W. Crawford Street and W. Sample Street.
2. Milled and resurfaced streets in northwest quadrant of town.
3. Replaced a police cruiser.
4. Applied for multiple grants to be used in conjunction with a larger DCNR grant for a dog park at Lake Rowena, sponsored by the Rotary Club.
5. In conjunction with RACRA, purchased equipment for line painting at the airport and pursued grants for building repairs and maintenance using grant funding.
6. Supported the Municipal Authority in applying for a water line replacement project for High Street, including a \$1,265,610 grant.
7. Administered and closed out DCED contract for Façade Improvement Grant program; applied for a new round of funding in the amount of \$50,000.
8. Completed hiring search for new public works director and successfully transitioned over to new director; filled all current positions with qualified candidates.
9. Maintained gold certification in PA Sustainable Community Program.
10. Completed negotiations with AFSCME on a new 4-year labor agreement.
11. Oversaw installation of a "Welcome to Ebensburg" mural to beautify the entrance area of Lake Rowena.

EBENSBURG CAMBRIA PUBLIC LIBRARY TO CELEBRATE 100TH ANNIVERSARY

In 1923, the Ebensburg Cambria Public Library opened its doors for the first time. This year the library will be celebrating its 100th year of servicing the Ebensburg community. Throughout the year look for special programs honoring this great milestone, such as the year-long 100th Anniversary Reading Challenge for ages 0-100, a summer Block Party, and a limited release



special brew from Lloyd Street Brewing in honor of the Centennial. In addition to these commemorative programs and events, the library will continue to offer monthly programs such as Story Time, Sprouts, LEGO Club, and Little Builders for the younger patrons. Book Club, Pick-Up Sticks, Meet the Author Series and the brand new program Game Day for adults and seniors, as well as SummerQuest Summer Reading Program for all ages. The library will also be extending operating hours on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. For more information on programs and events follow the Library on Facebook @EbensburgPublicLibrary, Instagram @ebencamlibrary or the website cclsys.org/ebensburg-cambria.

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EBENSBURG WELCOMES NEW BUSINESSES



Great Vintage Picks
Sports Cards & Hobby
Ebensburg Mini Mall

3135 New Germany Road, Suite 25
Phone: 814-241-4755
GreatVintagePicks.com



Stoneycreek Photography

Ebensburg Mini Mall
3133 New Germany Road
Suite 69
Phone: 814-883-0265

Email: stoneycreekphotography@gmail.com



The Imperial Room
*Caterer, Reception &
Special Event Venue*

Ebensburg Mini Mall
3133 New Germany Road
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PennState Extension

What Does the Penn State Extension Office of Cambria County Do?

Penn State Extension believes that all people should have access to science-based information. They provide access to face-to-face and online education to their customers; practical knowledge to work the land, develop skills, grow your business, serve your community, steward the environment, and raise healthy families.

Their 4-H youth development program gives kids a chance to tackle projects that build life skills, explore careers, and help them find their passion in life. It also offers adults an opportunity to volunteer for various roles. The Master Gardener volunteers share their gardening skills with the community through various educational opportunities.



The local Cambria County Extension office is located at 401 Candlelight Drive, Suite 220 in Ebensburg. Those interested in leaning more about our local extension office can call 814-472-7986, or email CambriaExt@psu.edu.

Check out all the educational resources at the Penn State Extension website at: <https://extension.psu.edu/>.

SWIFT 911™ EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION

In our efforts to provide reliable communications with residents and businesses, borough staff uses SwiftReach Networks, Inc. as our Emergency Notification service provider.

Swift911™ is a system that makes phone calls to specific people or areas in the event of an emergency or for sharing important information. All the calls you receive will have the Caller ID of Ebensburg Borough or Ebensburg Police Department.

Information regarding boil water notifications, water and sewer emergencies, etc. is relayed through this system, so we ask that all residents get themselves added as soon as possible.

If you are not receiving these calls, please contact the borough office at 814-472-8780 and ask to have your information added, or you can go onto the homepage of the borough website, www.ebensburgpa.com, and look for the image to the right to add yourself.





Ebensburg Borough Health & Wellness Facility

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday 9 am - 9 pm
 Saturday 10 am - 9 pm
 Sunday Noon - 9 pm

Phone: 814-472-4277
www.yppccrec.com

The Ebensburg Borough Health & Wellness Facility, located inside the YPCC, is ideal for those looking to improve their physical fitness. The facility offers first-rate cardio and weight equipment, along with personal trainers/fitness instructors. Classes are open for drop-ins at a rate of \$5.00/class or \$30.00/month. Check the website or Facebook page for a current class schedule. The YPCC is also affiliated with SilverSneakers, Silver & Fit, Prime and Affinity. (Check with your insurance provider to see if you qualify for the benefit.)

Monthly Fitness Membership Fees:	
Adult	\$30
Seniors (55+ years)	\$25
Student/Military	\$25
Family (1 Adult & 1 Student)	\$50
Daily Fitness Drop in	\$5
Open Gym over 18 yrs	\$2

SPECIALS ON ALL MEMBERSHIPS
 Purchase 3 months and get 1 month FREE
 Purchase 6 months and get 2 months FREE
 Purchase 9 months and get 3 months FREE

Anyone 18 or older can gain 24-Hour Access with purchase of a Key Fob for \$10.

The YPCC – The primary mission of the Young Peoples Community Center (YPCC) has always been to provide activities and a safe, inviting place for the areas youth to play and hangout with their friends. While still keeping this at the core of the mission, the YPCC has evolved into a Health & Wellness Center as mentioned above. Adding various exercise classes into the daily activities at the YPCC. There is open gym daily (hours vary) at no cost for kids under 18 to play in the gym.

Cross-Country Ski & Bike Rental Programs – Both cross-country skis/equipment and bike rentals are now offered through the YPCC at an hourly rate of \$8/adult or \$6/youth; or full day rate of \$32/adult or \$24/youth. A waiver of liability must be signed before renting. Instructional clinics will be available for cross-country skiing. Stay tuned to Facebook or the website for more information.

Pavilion Rentals – The Borough rents out three pavilions at Lake Rowena and two at the Ebensburg Borough Swimming Pool. The cost to rent a pavilion is \$75.00. A \$25 cleaning deposit is now required. Call the YPCC to check availability and to make a reservation.

Outdoor Skate/Hockey Rink – Located at Lake Rowena, the rink is open year round for street or in-line hockey. There are hockey goals provided and lights for evening play too. Best part is, it's FREE and open to the public.

Swimming Pools – Since its renovation in 2011, the Borough Swimming Pool has been enjoyed by many. The area is fortunate to have a public pool that is up-to-date, heated, kid friendly and handicap accessible. The Borough Pool is available for after hour private party rentals. In addition to the outdoor Borough Pool, the YPCC is also managing swimming lessons and open swims at the Central Cambria High School Pool.

For additional information on all of our facilities, be sure to Like Us on Facebook or visit www.yppccrec.com.

Ebensburg Borough Pool Information Hours of Operation: Monday - Thursday 12 pm - 7 pm
 Opening Day - Saturday, May 27, 2023 Friday - Sunday 12 pm - 6 pm

2023 Pool Rates	Adult	Seniors 55+	Children (4-18)
Walk-in	\$7	\$5	\$5
Multi-Visit (Min. 5 Passes)	\$30	\$20	\$20
Season Pass	\$140	\$115	\$115
Add-on/person to season pass	\$40		

YPCC SWIM CLUB
 A swim club has been formed for kids to train/develop and compete against other local outdoor swim clubs throughout the Summer. Contact Rory Coleman for more information at: rorycoleman@gmail.com.

Free Admission for Children Under 3 and Free Admission with Military ID

Council Adopts 2023 Budget - Borough Council has adopted a \$6,673,705 budget for 2023. While Council has avoided a tax increase for 12 consecutive years, this year an increase was unavoidable. A real estate tax increase amounting to 3.75 mills was discussed and approved at the December meeting. The increase amounts to around \$60.00 for the average household. There are several projects planned in 2023 including:

1. Complete street resurfacing project in Elderwood neighborhood.
2. Refinish benches, bollard lights, trash receptacles, pole bases as needed.
3. Repair the fishing pier and remove suspended boat dock.
4. Start process of securing outside grants and hiring another full-time police officer.
5. Install zone meters to better determine water loss.
6. Install new check valves and a raw water valve at the treatment plant.
7. Begin an annual program of customer water meter replacement.
8. Replace the wastewater system on Lovell Park and Manor Drive.



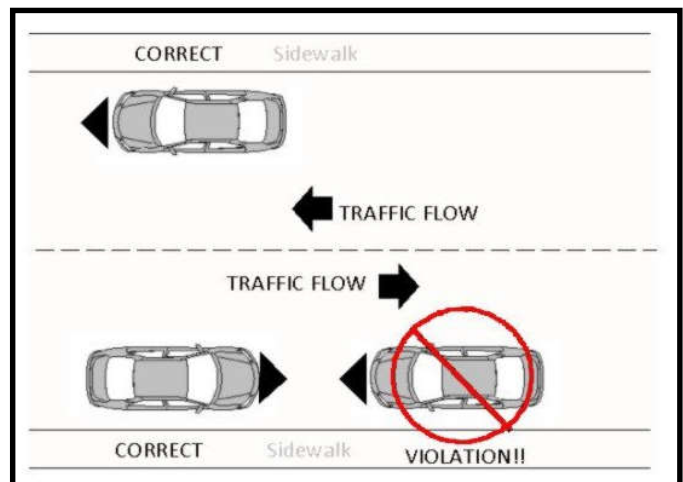
WINTER REMINDERS FROM THE EBENSBURG BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT



1. **New this Year:** All vehicles must be parked WITH the flow of traffic. This means that your passenger side door is to be against the curb and driver side door must be open to the roadway. This violation, by itself, carries a fine of \$15.00 and will be enforced YEAR ROUND. * Please note illustration below.
2. If the sidewalk is part of your driveway, you cannot park on the sidewalk part of your driveway. A fine of \$15.00 for blocking the sidewalk may be incurred.
3. When shoveling snow from your sidewalk or driveway, you cannot throw the snow onto the street. A fine of up to \$600.00 may be incurred.
4. You must clear your sidewalk within 12 hours after cessation of snow, sleet, or ice. A fine of up to \$600.00 may be incurred.
5. You are not allowed to plow snow from your property onto borough streets. A fine of up to \$600.00 may be incurred.
6. Shovel the sidewalks full width to the bare pavement and clear curb cuts at corners and crosswalks.
7. When Winter Parking is in effect and you move your car to the opposite side of the street, try to avoid lining it up directly across from another car, in case emergency vehicles need to get through.
8. Winter Parking regulations will once again be in effect when staff deems it necessary. This will be posted on the borough website, the *Ebensburg Borough & Community* Facebook page, and by calling the office and selecting option #5 to hear a recording of the status of winter parking. You may also ask borough staff during office hours of 8 am to 4 pm, Monday - Friday.

Additionally, if there neighbors on your street who are elderly, have a disability or may have a hard time shoveling for any reason, please work with your neighbors to give a hand and ensure your entire block is safe and accessible to all.

If you are looking to hire someone to help with shoveling, contact the borough office for a list of names at 814-472-8780.



DAUNTLESS FIRE COMPANY RECEIVES \$85K STATE GRANT

In October, Dauntless Fire Company was awarded an \$85,000 state grant to help fund fire hall improvements including flooring, debris cleanup, new backup lines and lines around lockers. The flooring project was completed in November and includes an underlain image of the Dauntless Fire Company logo in the center of each garage bay.



BOROUGH COUNCIL & MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY MONTHLY MEETINGS

Both the Ebensburg Borough Council and the Ebensburg Municipal Authority meet on the fourth Monday of each month in the Council Chambers Room at the Municipal Building. The Authority meets at 4:00 pm and Council meets at 6:30 pm.



Residents may contact the Borough Office with any items they wish to have added to the agenda for discussion. Items must be presented by the Wednesday prior to the meeting date.

Note: Meetings in November and December are held on the third Monday due to the holiday schedule.

For additional board and commission meeting information, visit ebensburgpa.com/boards-commissions/.

Interested in serving on one of these governing bodies? Visit the site listed above and complete and submit a Statement of Interest.

SIGN UP FOR AUTOMATIC WATER/SEWER BILL PAYMENT AND NEVER PAY A LATE FEE

If you find yourself rushing around at the end of the month trying to get your bills paid, consider signing up to have the funds automatically withdrawn from your bank account on the last day your payment is due. If you'd like the application emailed or faxed to you, just call the office at 814-472-8780 and let us know. Save yourself the worry of having to mail or drop the check off on time, and sign up today.

2023 STORMWATER PROJECTS



Ebensburg Borough and Municipal Authority officials are exploring grant opportunities for upcoming stormwater projects.

Officials are aware of many existing problem areas that residents are enduring and are looking for ways to alleviate those issues.

One area in particular, which was identified in Section C of the Borough's Stormwater Study, is the northwest quadrant of town, as this area has historically been where the majority of the problems have occurred.

Borough staff will keep residents informed of all upcoming work to be done.

2023 Peoples Natural Gas Projects



Peoples Natural Gas has a few projects slated to begin in 2023. Dates listed are tentative and subject to change, depending on operational needs. Prior to construction their logistics department will be sending out notices in the mail alerting customers that they will be affected by their work:

- **North Locust Street - January** (Should only be a two day project)
Will affect customers near the intersection of East Horner Street and North Locust Street.
- **Hillcrest Drive - January – March**
Will affect customers along Hillcrest Drive, Sunset Lane, Knopp Drive, Grandview Drive, Alpha Lane, Edgewood Drive and Elderwood Drive.
- **South West Street - May - June**
Will affect customers on Lovell Avenue, South West Street and Chris Street.



PRO DISPOSAL 2023 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

713 Mountain Avenue, Portage, PA 814-487-7033

2023 GARBAGE COLLECTION HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Thursday - regular service day for residents South of High Street

Friday - regular service day for residents North of High Street

- New Year's Day - Saturday, January 1, 2023 - No change to normal pick-up day.
- Memorial Day - Monday, May 29, 2023 - All collections will be picked up one day late.
- Independence Day - Monday, July 4, 2023 - All collections will be picked up one day late.
- Labor Day - Monday, September 4, 2023 - All collections will be picked up one day late.
- Thanksgiving - Thursday, November 23, 2023 - All collections will be picked up one day late.
- Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25, 2023 - All collections will be picked up one day late.

2023 Spring Clean-Up Schedule - Thursday, May 11 & Friday, May 12

Collection of Recyclables - the following materials will be collected in your blue recycle bins:

- Glass Containers
- Aluminum Cans
- Newspaper
- Plastics (#1 - #7)
- Steel and Bi-metallic Cans
- Corrugated Boxes (moving boxes, packing boxes, etc.)

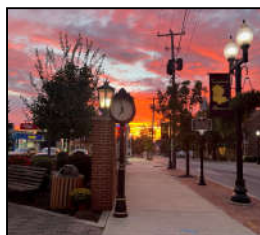
Ebensburg Main Street Partnership Continues to Enhance Community Vitality

Each year, the Main Street Partnership works hard toward making Ebensburg an enjoyable, desirable and fun place to live, work and visit!

Here are just some of the accomplishments of the Partnership this past year:

- Installation of the "Welcome to Ebensburg" Mural project at Lake Rowena.
- Received National Accreditation for 8th straight year from Main Street America.
- Closed out DCED contract and finalized disbursement of \$50k in matching funds. 18 façade improvement projects were completed, in total, with a reinvestment of over \$132K into our community.
- Started "Ebensburg WinterFest" event along with the Young Peoples Community Center.
- Hosted Art in Bloom, Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony, Wheels & Wings, JSO 4th of July Concert, Concerts in the Park, Farmer's Markets, Movie in the Park, Downtown Shutdown, Homecoming, PotatoFest, Fall Foliage Ride on the Ghost Town Trail, Trick or Treat and Dickens of a Christmas!
- Named Ms. Deb Bender as "Volunteer of the Year" and hosted Volunteer Appreciation Night and Main Street Member Networking Nights.
- Facilitated the painting of Halloween designs on our downtown storefront windows by the students of Cambria & Jackson Elementary Schools.
- Hosted a series of contests including Small Business Saturday Contest, Courthouse Decorating Contest, Business Decorating Contest and Christmas Parade Float Contest.
- Assisted members with business promotions, advertising, ribbon-cuttings, announcements and events.

We couldn't do all that we do without our business members & sponsors! Please join us in becoming a member for just \$50.00 a year! Contact 814-472-8414 or dkoss@ebensburgpa.com for more information.



Ebensburg Tennis Center

The winter tennis season is in full swing at the Ebensburg Tennis Center. If you are looking to tune up your game or just get started, the center offers individual and group lessons by USPTA certified professional, Jamie Taylor, tennis professional, Jeff Livermore, or tennis assistant, Samantha Fulcherino.



The tennis center offers court rental for play on the indoor and outdoor courts. The center is open for member and non-member play. Tennis memberships at the Ebensburg Tennis center will provide you with 24-hour access to the facility and an online court reservation book. Listed below are membership costs; memberships are based on an annual fee.

Need a partner to play with? Join one of our "flex" leagues. Play in a singles or doubles league. Leagues are available for players of all ages and ability levels. Play unlimited tennis with our "All You Can Play Pass." Members pay a one-time rate for unlimited play during specific hours, 7 days a week.

Visit the USPTA award winning ebensburgtenniscenter.com or call 814-471-2980.

TENNIS LESSON RATES

Private Lessons		Clinics/Group Lessons	
1 hour private lesson	\$60	1 hour clinic	\$14
1/2 hour private lesson	\$35	1 1/2 clinic	\$20
*1 hour private lesson	\$65	*1 hour clinic	\$15
*1/2 hour private lesson	\$37	*1 1/2 hour clinic	\$22

**Prices are for students who are non-members of the tennis center.*

Fall/Winter All You Can Play Pass

Cost:

Single - \$360
Family - \$550

- * Pass runs from Sept 8th thru May 16th, indoor only.
- * You must be a member to have an AYCP Pass.
- * You may reserve a max of two hours at one time.
- * You may reserve courts one week in advance.

Fall/Winter Court Rates for Indoor Play

Mon - Fri	9 am - 4 pm	\$25
	4 pm - 9 pm	\$27
	9 pm - 9 am	\$12
Sat - Sun	9 am - 2 pm	\$24
	2 pm - 7 pm	\$22
	7 pm - 9 am	\$12

- * All tennis rates are based on an hourly rate.
- * You may play as a non-member three times per year.
- * Non-members will pay an additional court fee of \$4.

TENNIS MEMBERSHIP RATES

Single - \$160

Family - \$210 (includes immediate family members)

Junior - \$65 (17 and under)

*Out of Town Membership - \$70 Single

*Out of Town Membership - \$125 Family

**Out of town memberships are for anyone living outside a 40-mile radius from the center. All membership run one calendar year, unless otherwise specified.*



Reminder to All Tennis Center Members:

Our center policy is that you are only allowed to reserve tennis courts 7 days in advance.



TAX COLLECTOR CORNER

2022 has come and gone and I can no longer accept tax payments for that year. If you owe real estate taxes from 2022, you can contact the Tax Claims Office at the Cambria County Courthouse at 814-472-1445 to set-up payments.

The Ebensburg Borough Tax Office phone number is 814-846-4764. The Tax Collector's Office Hours, beginning March 1st are Tuesdays & Thursdays from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm.

Please note; the per capita tax that has been collected by the school district in the past is no longer being collected. The school board opted to do away with it in 2021.

Shovelers and Grass Cutters

The borough office often receives calls from residents searching for someone to hire to shovel sidewalks or cut grass. The office staff maintains a list of persons interested in performing such work. Anyone interested in picking up some work shoveling or mowing can call the borough office and have their name and number added to the list. And, anyone interested in hiring someone to shovel or mow can call the borough office.



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Use this QR code or "quick response" code to visit the Ebensburg Borough website
- to access it, scan with your smartphone camera and tap on the link that pops up.

Ebensburg Community Events

WinterFest

Saturday, February 4th

Art in Bloom Spring Art Show*

Saturday & Sunday, April 29 & April 30
Cambria County Courthouse

Ebensburg Borough Spring Clean-Up

Thursday & Friday, May 11 & 12

Ebensburg Borough Pool Opening Day

Saturday, May 27

Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony*

Monday, May 29, 10 am - Veteran's Memorial Park

YPCC Golf Outing

Friday, June 9, Ebensburg Country Club

19th Annual Wheels & Wings*

Thursday, June 22, 5 pm - 10 pm
Historic Downtown Ebensburg

Movie in the Park*

Friday, July 7 - Veteran's Memorial Park

Farmer's Market*

Every Saturday, 9 am - 12 pm - Penn Eben Park
July 8 - September 16

Concerts in the Park*

July 14, 21, August 4, 11, 18 & 25
Penn Eben Park - 6 pm to 9 pm

Downtown Shutdown*

Friday, July 28, 6 pm - 11 pm
Center of Downtown Ebensburg

Ebensburg Homecoming*

Saturday, July 29, ALL DAY
Ebensburg Area & Lake Rowena

American Legion County Fair

Always Labor Day Week
September 3 - 9
American Legion County Fairgrounds

32nd Annual PotatoFest*

Saturday, September 30, 9 am - 5 pm
Historic Downtown Ebensburg

Fall Foliage Bike Ride*

Sunday, October 8, Ghost Town Trail

Halloween Parade & Trick-or-Treat*

Sunday, October 29

Ebensburg Turkey Trot

Hosted by Ebensburg Area Running Club
Thursday, November 23

Small Business Saturday*

Saturday, November 25

18th Annual Dickens of a Christmas*

Friday, December 1 - Sunday, December 3
Historic Downtown Ebensburg