

Shoemakersville Borough Council
MEETING AGENDA
December 3, 2024

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Code Enforcement & Zoning: Paul
 - (1) Permits & notices
4. Solicitor's Report: Keith
5. Engineer's Report: David
6. Fire Chief's Report: Rusty
7. Secretary's Report: Melissa
 - (1) The borough office will be closed December 10 and 24-27
8. Mayor's Report: Dustin
 - (1) PA State Police Report
 - (2) Hometown Heroes
 - (3) Neighborhood Watch Program
9. Manager's Report: Paul
 - (1) Committee reports
 - (2) Action Items
 - Approve Ferguson quote of \$13,903 for meters, registers and stopper pins
 - Approve LB Water quote for a 4" electric actuator for \$3,844.60 – includes estimated freight at \$75
10. Junior Council Person's Report: Brandon
11. Committee Reports
 - a. **Property/Streets/Sanitation:** Dana S, (Tara, Dana R, Mike)
 - b. **Sewer:** Joe (Chris, Dana S.)
 - c. **Water:** Chris (Joe, Mike)
 - (1) Suburban Testing Labs November 5 testing: Water sampled at Bell Trucking and the water plant: all requirements met
 - (2) Approve LB Water quote 2025021 for a 4" electric actuator
 - d. **Parks & Recreation:** Tara (Amy, Dana R.)
 - e. **Law/Planning/Zoning:** Joe (Amy, Tara)
 - f. **Employee Relations:** Chris (Amy, Dana S.)
 - g. **Approvals/Finance/Pension:** Amy (Joe, Chris)
 - (1) Approve Ferguson Quote #0001 for 10 meters, 50 registers and 50 stopper pins for \$13,903
 - (2) Approve the minutes for November 19, 2024
 - (3) Approve the bills payable for December 3, 2024
 - (4) Approve the 2025 budget
 - (5) Adopt Ordinance 467-2024 setting the 2025 real estate tax rate at 8 mills
 - (6) Adopt Ordinance 468-2024 setting the 2025 water rate at \$14/1,000 gallons
 - (7) Adopt Resolution 170-2024 setting the 2025 refuse rate at \$135/quarter
 - (8) Adopt Resolution 171-2024 setting employee contributions for the non-uniform pension plan at 0%

(9) Advertise the 2025 meeting list

h. **Community Outreach:** Dana R (Michael, Tara)

- 12. New Business
(1) Public Comment
- 13. Old Business
- 14. Adjournment

Ordinance 467-2024

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SHOEMAKERSVILLE, COUNTY OF BERKS, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, FIXING AND ESTABLISHING THE TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2025.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Shoemakersville, County of Berks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

That a tax be and the same is hereby levied on all real property within the Borough of Shoemakersville, subject to taxation for the fiscal year 2025 as follows:

Tax rate for general purposes, the sum of 7.5 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation, or the sum of 75 cents on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation.

For purchase of fire equipment, fire apparatus, etc. purposes, the sum of 0.5 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation, or the sum of 5 cents on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation.

The same being summarized in tabular form as follows:

	Mills on Each Dollar Of Assessed Valuation	Cents on Each One Hundred Dollars Of Assessed Valuation
Tax Rate for General Purposes	7.5 Mills	75 Cents
Tax Rate for Purchase of fire equipment, fire apparatus, etc.	.5 Mills	5 Cents
TOTAL	8 Mills	80 Cents

Ordinance 468 - 2024

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SHOEMAKERSVILLE, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 74, IMPOSING RATES, RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATED TO THE PROVISION OF WATER TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE BOROUGH OF SHOEMAKERSVILLE AND CONSUMERS IN THE NEIGHBORING VICINITY, AS LAST AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 437-2013, BY PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE CONSUMPTION CHARGES TO CONSUMERS OF THE BOROUGH'S WATER SYSTEM.

The Council of the Borough of Shoemakersville, Berks County, Pennsylvania, hereby enacts and ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Ordinance No. 74, as last amended by Ordinance No. 437-2013 is hereby repealed in its entirety and hereby revised to read as follows:

Section 3. In addition to the Minimum Quarterly Charge as stated above, there shall be an additional charge for water consumed quarterly as follows:

- a. Domestic Water Service
\$14.00 per 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof
- b. Commercial Water Service
\$14.00 per 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof
- c. Industrial Water Service
\$14.00 per 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof

RESOLUTION 170-2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SHOEMAKERSVILLE ESTABLISHING A QUARTERLY FEE PER UNIT FOR REFUSE COLLECTION

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 201 as amended by Ordinance No. 284, Resolution 2004-09, Resolution 2004-17, Resolution 2005-23, Resolution 52-2009, Resolution 136-2020 and Resolution 162-2023 regulating the care and removal of refuse provides in Section 9 of said ordinance, thereof that the quarterly fee per unit for municipal collection of refuse in the Borough shall be determined by the Borough Council as the Cost of Collection per unit per quarter plus up to and roughly 5% of the cost for administrative expenses, and

WHEREAS, the contract price for municipal collection of refuse has increased necessitating an increase in the amount of the quarterly fee per unit for refuse collection, and

WHEREAS, pertinent to the terms of Ordinance No. 201 as amended by Ordinance No. 284, Resolution 2004-09, Resolution 2004-17, Resolution 2005-23, Resolution 52-2009, Resolution 136-2020 and Resolution 162-2023, the Council of the Borough of Shoemakersville has determined to set the quarterly fee per unit for refuse collection for the year 2025 and thereafter.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Council of the Borough of Shoemakersville that:

1. The quarterly fee per unit for municipal refuse collection in the Borough of Shoemakersville shall be \$135 effective January 1, 2025 for the quarter beginning that Date and the ensuing quarters thereafter.

RESOLUTION 171-2024

THIS RESOLUTION, approved and adopted by the Borough Council of Shoemakersville Borough, Berks County, Pennsylvania, on the date hereinafter set forth.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article II, Section B of Ordinance No. 405-07, as last amended by Ordinance No. 410-08 and Resolution 163-2023, the member contribution rate in the Non-Uniform Employee Pension Plan for 2025 will be 0%.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that for 2025, the member contribution rate in the Non-Uniform Pension Plan will be 0% of the employee's monthly gross income.