

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 10:00 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS & ZOOM MEETING

DIAL: +1 646 558 8656 US & INCLUDE THE MEETING ID: 456-920-3798 & PRESS#.

JOIN ONLINE AT: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4569203798>.

Committee responsibilities - Code Enforcement and Zoning, Future Zoning, Housing, Planning, Preservation/HARB, Downtown, Comprehensive Plan and Strategic Plan.

Committee Members: Toni Bell (Chair), James Garman and Jessica Jordan.

Citizens to be heard:

- David Ferdock-St. Columba School. Discussion of placing School Zone signs near the school.

1. Review of the TNR Cat Proposal from Kate Magni, Animal Resource Center.
2. Update on flood awareness- Charles Fritz.
3. Approval of the minutes from the 1/30/2024 meeting.
4. Review of the code enforcement active status report from 10/01/2019 –2/26/2024.
5. Review of the code enforcement permit report from 2/1/2024-2/26/2024.
6. Review of the pedalcycle ordinance.
7. Discussion of the vendor locations.
8. Discussion of the bagged meters.
9. Discussion of overnight parking in the Town municipal lots.
10. Discussion of Act 172- Scott McBride.

Next Meeting: March 26, 2024

From: Kate Magni <kate@nokillarc.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 08, 2024 9:17 AM
To: Christine Meeker; Toni Bell; Jessica Jordan; James Garman; Scott Price; Randi Fetterman; Mike Reffeor; Kyle Bauman; Robin Massina; Lisa Dooley
Subject: 2024 TNR Proposal
Attachments: 2024 TNR and Community Cat Proposal for The Town of Bloomsburg.docx

Hello,

Please find attached a proposal to launch a TNR initiative for the town of Bloomsburg in 2024. Robin Massin and myself work closely on TNR projects in the area and understand that the town of Bloomsburg is unable to allocate funds for community TNR in 2024. However, we are willing to independently fundraise and initiate a TNR program for the town of Bloomsburg in 2024 if the town council is willing to support our efforts and consider a budget for 2025.

If you have additional questions or would like myself or Robin to attend a council meeting, town meeting or meet with any of you individually, we would be happy to arrange that.

I am currently a board member with the Animal Resource Center in Bloomsburg but would be offering my time, energy and knowledge to this project as an individual. However, as I work with ARC, I know that ARC has accepted hundreds of cats from the town of Bloomsburg in it's 25 years and worked to TNR dozens that are otherwise without resources. Since January 1st, 2024, ARC has accepted two kittens from within town limits, TNRed five adult cats and is working to trap two injured adult ferals that may require additional veterinary care. Implementing a TNR program would lessen the stress on local shelters and advocates and ensure their donations are used to help even more animals.

Thank you!

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Kate Magni
Animal Resource Center
Board Member, Community Outreach and Social Media Coordinator
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2024 TNR and Community Cat Proposal for The Town of Bloomsburg

TNR is a proven, effective step to reducing the population of stray cats and kittens while improving the overall health and quality of life for colony cats. Reducing the population of unwanted cats and kittens and ensuring the health and safety of colony cats reduces the number of intakes to local shelters, both in routine and emergency intake.

I propose that for 2024, The Town of Bloomsburg support a small group of local TNR advocates and town residents in their efforts to fundraiser for and complete 25 TNR surgeries for stray and community cats and kittens in Bloomsburg. I further propose that the town of Bloomsburg allocate funds within their 2025 town budget to cover the full or partial cost of at least 100 vouchers, up to but not exceeding \$4,000, for town residents to use to complete TNR projects in the town of Bloomsburg.

The 2024 TNR and Community Cat Proposal would be implemented in the following ways:

- 1.) Individuals already active in local TNR efforts in Columbia, Montour and Northumberland county would work to fundraise \$1,000 to cover 25 TNR appointments at \$40 through either Danville PSPCA in Danville or NoNonsenseNeutering in Plains.
- 2.) Working with the town council and residents, those same individuals would identify cats or colonies in need within the town of Bloomsburg and work with town to get them trapped and sterilized through either of the above clinics before returning them to the location trapped.
- 3.) The individuals volunteering to help establish and build a TNR plan for the town of Bloomsburg would work to train town residents on how to safely and effectively trap, transport and relocate feral and community cats for TNR. They would further act as support to those residents working to get feral and community cats fixed and offer advice on how to manage existing colonies. The individuals volunteering would help to coordinate distribution of the vouchers, trapping of the cats, transport to their appointments and their return to their original trapped location while communicating successes and challenges to the council.

While individuals are willing to volunteer their time, knowledge, energy and resources to launching an initial TNR program for the town of Bloomsburg in 2024, those same individuals are expecting the support of the town council, codes

enforcement and police in ensuring they are able to safely and humanely trap and sterilize cats within the borough and return them to their original location.

Individuals working to trap within the town of Bloomsburg, with the help of town residents, will follow all town and local policies and laws to ensure that they are not trespassing on private property, littering, violating curfew or acting in a manner that is dangerous or inhumane to the cats themselves. In return, the individuals trapping ask that the council and borough make it a point to inform town residents of the initial program and ensure local codes and police are also aware and supportive of the individuals.

Individuals helping to launch the initial TNR program for the town of Bloomsburg would loan their personal humane traps but would encourage the town to purchase their own for 2025 for town residents to rent for use.

The individuals responsible for implementing and completing the initial TNR project for the town of Bloomsburg will provide regular updates to the town council as well as receipts and addresses of the cats trapped.

Community & Economic Development/Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 30, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
Town Hall or via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., present were Council Members Toni Bell, James Garman, Jessica Jordan (Zoom), Justin Hummel (Zoom), Jaclyn Kressler (Zoom), Manager/ Secretary/ Treasurer Lisa Dooley, Director of Code Enforcement Mike Reffeor, Code Enforcement Officer Kyle Bauman, Code Enforcement Officer Greg Ash, Director of Public Works John Fritz, Chief of Police Scott Price, LEAA Elise Hughes, Randi Fetterman and Administrative Assistant Christine Meeker. Also present were MJ Mahon, Ed Sabo, Emily Zenzel, Mike Zenzel, Robin Massina (Zoom), and Thomas Person.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, the Committee approved the Community & Economic Development minutes from the November 28, 2023 meeting.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, the Committee approved the Public Safety Committee minutes from the November 21, 2023 meeting.

The Committee reviewed the code enforcement active status report and the permit reports.

The Committee reviewed the flood task force minutes from the December 13, 2023 meeting.

The Committee revisited the issue of the intersection at W. Main Street and Railroad Streets. A traffic study would be in the range of \$40,000-\$60,000 and signal installation could run upwards of \$500,000. Due to the short distance between the traffic light at West Street and this intersection, stopping time for the southbound direction would create a hazard. PennDOT would not support a traffic light in this location therefore all associated costs would be the Towns responsibility. L. Dooley had sent out the corresponding e-mails from LIVIC Civil along with PennDOT's review on this topic.

M. Reffeor updated the Committee on the condemned properties in Town. All have been identified, investigations are under way and appropriate action will be taken where warranted.

The Committee discussed the possible development of a TNR program within the Town. Robin Massina provided information on the trapping and voucher process through No Nonsense Neutering. Although, this item was not budgeted for this year, the Committee would like staff to continue gathering information for possible implementation in 2025.

J. Hummel updated the Committee on the RabbitTransit funding campaign for the Stop Hopper service in the area.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, the Committee recommends Council approve changing the area E. 4th Street area from 65 E. 4th to Oak Street back to residential permit parking.

J. Garman made a motion to recommend Council approve the advertisement of the vendor ordinance, seconded by T. Bell, and the floor was opened for comment. Emily Zenzel questioned whether, after 14 years, would she be able to retain her vendor spot in the Tri parking lot. Another issue was the availability of open parking spaces. Both Maria Valentin and Vincent LoPiccolo stated the Tri lot is always parked full Thursday through Saturday evenings. It was suggested to issue two parking meter bags to the permit holders to allow them to reserve parking spots in the lot and to allow the vendors to use the parking stalls in front of Town Hall on the North side of E. 2nd Street starting after closing time at Town Hall.

The vote was taken on the question of approval to advertise the v vendor ordinance, the vote was unanimous to confirm. On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, the Committee recommends Council approve a resolution to allow vendor parking on the North side of E. 2nd Street in front of Town Hall after closing time of Town Hall and to allow for the issuing of two-meter bags with the issuance of a vendor permit.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell and voted on unanimously, the Committee adjourned into an executive session at 11:49 a.m. and did not reconvene.

Notes taken by C. Meeker and reviewed by L. Dooley.



Town of Bloomsburg

Case Report

10/01/2019 - 02/26/2024

Case #	Assigned To	Owner Name	Main Status	Description	Parcel Address	Case Date
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Group: Citation Issued

240049	Kyle Bauman	JAM HOUSING LLC	Citation Issued	Unlicensed Rental (Pending Adjudication)	621623 OLD BERWICK RD	2/5/2024
240036	Kyle Bauman	EHRENZELLER MORGAN S	Citation Issued	Unlicensed Rental	224 W ANTHONY AVE	1/26/2024
240006	Kyle Bauman	VANNATTA MARK R	Citation Issued	Exterior rubbish (pending adjudication)	124 MARKET ST	1/8/2024
230264	Kyle Bauman	ANDES BRIAN B & JODELL M	Citation Issued	Unlicensed Rental (Pending Adjudication)	639 W PINE AVE	8/30/2023
230238	Gregory Ash	MALIA SHANE P	Citation Issued	Ceiling water damage	208 W FIRST ST	7/25/2023
230236	Gregory Ash	MAKUSZEWSKI ADAMC/O TADEUSZ MAKUSZEWSKI	Citation Issued	Abandon Vehicle	255 E EIGHTH ST	7/17/2023
230118	Gregory Ash	SINGLEY MATTHEW	Citation Issued	Rubbish and debris; Condemned	66 LINCOLN AVE	4/24/2023
230054	Michael Reffeor	MITCHELL AUDRA I JUSTIN J HARTMAN	Citation Issued	Deck, weeds, rubbish	106 WEST ST	3/2/2023
220415	Michael Reffeor	REIFENDIFER RICHARD & KAREN G C/O GEORGETTA WYNINGS	Citation Issued	Garbage and pets	217 SUMMIT AVE	12/13/2022
220358	Kyle Bauman	MAKUSZEWSKI ADAM C/O TADEUSZ MAKUSZEWSKI	Citation Issued	Unlicensed Rental (Pending adjudication)	255 E EIGHTH ST	9/27/2022
220227	Michael Reffeor	REIFENDIFER RICHARD & KAREN G C/O	Citation Issued	Condemned - Unfit for occupancv	217 SUMMIT AVE	7/19/2022

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		GEORGETTA WYNINGS				
220201	Gregory Ash	SINGLEY MATTHEW	Citation Issued	Tall Grass and Weeds, Soffit/facia repair; Condemned	66 LINCOLN AVE	7/11/2022
210226	Kyle Bauman	ALL ACCESS MONTOUR LLC	Citation Issued	Structure unfit for human occupancy/ Grass and weeds (9 citations issued)	405 MILLVILLE RD	7/13/2021
210223	Kyle Bauman	IVY LEA PROPERTIES LLC	Citation Issued	Roof Damage & Weeds (Citations Issued)	516518 OLD BERWICK RD	7/12/2021
210215	Michael Reffeor	PENMAN JANINE	Citation Issued	Siding, weeds, rubbish	161 E FIFTH ST	7/1/2021
200466	Michael Reffeor	DEMELFI VINCENT J	Citation Issued	Condemned by Officer Bauman on other case. (Plan of action completion 6-1-21 deadline) Dilapidated structure (2 citations issued)	239241 W FIRST ST	11/5/2020
190049	Kyle Bauman	FEATHERMAN BRADLEY & CHRISTINE	Citation Issued	Exterior Conditions - Several Citations Issued.	571 W THIRD ST	10/22/2019

Group Total: 17

Group: NOV Issued

240062	Gregory Ash	POLOKOWSKI STEFANIA PATRICIA ANN MORRISON	NOV Issued	Fence	2 W ELEVENTH ST	2/21/2024
240059	Gregory Ash	NOVI THREE LLC C/O CHRISTOPHER M NOVIELLO & ETAL	NOV Issued	Dead Tree	348350 E SECOND ST	2/15/2024
240058	Gregory Ash	SUTHERLAND GREER R	NOV Issued	Dead Tree	256258 LEONARD ST	2/14/2024
240054	Gregory Ash	HACK KYLE N & WESLEY A	NOV Issued	Dogs/rubbish	430432 W FIRST ST	2/9/2024

240052	Gregory Ash	COOPER LAURA J	NOV Issued	Drainage issue	650 E THIRD ST	2/8/2024
240051	Michael Reffeor	IDDINGS TAYLOR R	NOV Issued	No UCC permit for commercial conversion to 4 unit apartments	1001 OLD BERWICK RD	2/7/2024
240046	Kyle Bauman	NUNGESSER AMANDA A	NOV Issued	Unlicensed Rental	257 E NINTH ST	1/30/2024
240045	Kyle Bauman	CGA EDGE LLC	NOV Issued	Unlicensed Rental	546 E SECOND ST	1/30/2024
240033	Kyle Bauman	CENTRAL PA PETROLEUM LLC	NOV Issued	Parking lot deviations	502 W MAIN ST	1/24/2024
240031	Kyle Bauman	GREGORY COLBY J	NOV Issued	Unlicensed Rental	441 RAILROAD ST	1/22/2024
240027	Gregory Ash	SINGLEY MATTHEW	NOV Issued	Plumbing/Smoke Alarms; Condemned	66 LINCOLN AVE	1/19/2024
240011	Gregory Ash	SWINGLE MICHAEL	NOV Issued	Property Maintenance	350 E EIGHTH ST	1/11/2024
240007	Michael Reffeor	SEABRIDGE THERESA M	NOV Issued	Fire near meter base, electrical issues, possiblehoarding	249 RAILROAD ST	1/8/2024
240003	Kyle Bauman	HIRIAN DEVKUMAR NAVITHA RAMESH	NOV Issued	Unlicensed Rental	110114 IRON ST	1/3/2024
230328	Gregory Ash	MVRN TEN LLC	NOV Issued	Broken Window	53 W MAIN ST	12/6/2023
230310	Gregory Ash	SLOTTERBACK DANIEL W	NOV Issued	Water leak	516518 E THIRD ST	11/2/2023
230301	Michael Reffeor	LAFATA GIUSEPPE & EDITH	NOV Issued	Unsanitary conditions	450452 EAST ST	12/7/2023
230298	Gregory Ash	HERRITY PATRICIA V	NOV Issued	Unsanitary	349 E FOURTH ST	10/17/2023
230291	Gregory Ash	MAY WILLIAM E & SARAH G	NOV Issued	Mildew Growth	591593 W MAIN ST	10/12/2023
230286	Michael Reffeor	MOT EPHRAIM REALTY LLC C/O CHAIM SCHEINBAUM	NOV Issued	Tall grass, rubbish, unoccupied building, no water	211 E FIRST ST	10/9/2023
230246	Michael Reffeor	COLUMBIA COUNTY H & A MECH	NOV Issued	Dumping in floodplain	900 W MAIN ST	8/2/2023

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		ASSOCIATION				
230226	Michael Reffeor	LENHART RODNEY ALLENJOHN MCINTYRE LENHART	NOV Issued	No building permit for deck	472R E EIGHTH ST	7/13/2023
230202	Kyle Bauman	ROBINHOLT JAMES BC/O RICK & JENNIFER ROBINHOLT	NOV Issued	Grass & Weeds	716 POPLAR STREET	6/19/2023
230163	Michael Reffeor	COLUMBIA COUNTY HOUSING CORPORATION	NOV Issued	Unsafe structure	203209 W MAIN ST	5/16/2023
230134	Kyle Bauman	CARL JIMMY L & SARAH M	NOV Issued	Condemnation	215 MILLVILLE RD	5/9/2023
230120	Gregory Ash	KBK MANAGEMENT LLC	NOV Issued	WIndows	125 W MAIN ST	5/1/2023
230072	Michael Reffeor	GLOBAL SPACE DEVELOPING INC	NOV Issued	Structure fire at 10 W Main St	6-16 W MAIN ST (owner)	3/29/2023
220299	Gregory Ash	HERRITY PATRICIA V	NOV Issued	Tall Grass and Weeds	349 E FOURTH ST	8/29/2022
220264	Michael Reffeor	MIOSI THOMAS J & ALEXANDRA	NOV Issued	sidewalk deviation and tree removal	243 E TENTH ST	8/5/2022
220170	Michael Reffeor	VENTURI ENTERPRISE INC	NOV Issued	Weeds and porch	250 W FIRST ST	6/24/2022
220134	Michael Reffeor	VOUGHT JOEL	NOV Issued	Exterior and weeds	430 EAST ST	5/23/2022
210392	Michael Reffeor	MUELLER KENNETH A	NOV Issued	(Action plan in progress) Dilapidated structure	540542 JEFFERSON ST	11/2/2021
210391	Michael Reffeor	MAUSTELLER RANDALL J	NOV Issued	Condemned - Unfit for human occupancy	222230 BLACKBERRY AVE	10/29/2021
210347	Michael Reffeor	MAUSTELLER RANDALL J	NOV Issued	No rental license	222230 BLACKBERRY AVE	10/7/2021
210078	Michael Reffeor	SPEASE JEROME R	NOV Issued	Condemnation/ closing of vacant structure	453 RIDGE AVE	4/16/2021
200510	Kyle Bauman	Heather LEE	NOV Issued	Condemnation	136 E THIRD	12/28/2020

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200486	Michael Reffeor	WATTS KURT	NOV Issued	Dilapidated structure	531 CATHERINE ST	1/25/2021
200482	Michael Reffeor	KRANIG RUTH C	NOV Issued	Floodplain violations	516 FORT MCCLURE BLVD	12/11/2020
190018	Kyle Bauman	CARTWRIGHT JOHN M	NOV Issued	Unsafe Structure	587589 W MAIN ST	10/8/2019

Group Total: 39

Group: Open

240064	Gregory Ash	PROPERTIES BY JC LLC	Open	Sidewalk	126128 MURRAY AVE	2/23/2024
240060	Gregory Ash	DROBNY NICHOLAS LAURIE COSTARELLI	Open	red tag	301303 EAST ST	2/20/2024
240057	Kyle Bauman	LAUBACH ROBERT II	Open	Municipal Waster	459461 W RIDGE AVE	2/13/2024
240056	Kyle Bauman	MVRN TEN LLC	Open	Trip Hazard	53 W MAIN ST	2/13/2024
240053	Gregory Ash		Open	Mildew Growth		2/9/2024
240050	Michael Reffeor	VADAKIN GARY	Open	Dogs and cats	164 W FIRST ST	2/6/2024
240048	Kyle Bauman	BLOOMSBURG ALTERNATIVE POWER COMPANY LLC	Open	Bats	341 E SECOND ST	2/2/2024
240034	Kyle Bauman	BUTTRICK QUINN M	Open	Chickens and new enclosure	129 FRANKLIN COURT	1/24/2024
240010	Gregory Ash	WATSON WILLIAM E	Open	Rubbish	159 W FOURTH ST	1/10/2024
230320	Gregory Ash	BARTON ROBERT E & ANNE L JR	Open	large tree stump needs removed	106 E FIFTH ST	11/11/2023
230294	Kyle Bauman	KESTER ANTOINETTE	Open	Exterior Conditions	290 W ELEVENTH ST	10/13/2023
230270	Michael Reffeor	WOLFE DANIEL L ESTATE GLORIA BLOOM	Open	Sidewalk deteriorated	230 E FIRST ST	8/30/2023
230234	Michael	NARN	Open	Structural	303 Glenn	12/5/2023

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	Reffeor	BLOOMSBURG LLC		support of porch	Ave	
230205	Michael Reffeor	HERCZKU JOAN MARIE	Open	Foul smell in apartment	917 IRON ST	6/21/2023
230062	Kyle Bauman	LEININGER L ROBERT	Open	Condemnation - Closing of Vacant Building	222224 W EIGHTH ST	3/16/2023
230029	Michael Reffeor	EHRENZELLER MORGAN	Open	Abandoned structure - exterior issues	316 WALLER AVE	2/7/2023
210410	Kyle Bauman	DEMELFI VINCENT J	Open	Condemned	239241 W FIRST ST	11/19/2021

Group Total: 17

Group: Stop work order

240055	Michael Reffeor	HEYDENREICH RICHARD F	Stop work order	Permit violation	625 EAST ST	2/12/2024
230255	Michael Reffeor	COLUMBIA COUNTY H & A MECH ASSOCIATION	Stop work order	No permit	900 W MAIN ST	8/22/2023

Group Total: 2

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Total Records: 75

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Permit Report

2/1/2024 - 2/26/2024

Permit #	Permit Date	Permit Type	Project Description	Project Cost	Parcel #	Parcel Address	Owner Name	Owner Address
2024026	2/23/2024	Zoning	Broken Made Beautiful Counseling LLC: New business in existing counseling center, plus sign	0	05W0216400000	1000 MARKET ST	NAM FUTURES LLC	1167 RIDGE ROAD
2024025	2/23/2024	Zoning	Remove old chain link fence and replace with wooden panel privacy fence	3,000	05E0204000000	64 E EIGHTH ST	BEKISZ AARON L & SAMANTHA LEE	64 E EIGHTH ST
2024020	2/21/2024	Building	Petdome Kennels: Zoning and minor electrical wiring for existing dog kennel, junction boxes, receptacles	1,000	05E0900104000	410 FRANKLIN AVE	HILL DAVID A & MARY B	PO BOX 604
2024019	2/21/2024	Demolition	Demo house	7,000	05E0901400000	109 FRANKLIN AVE	WHITENIGHT FRED L & DONNA JR	137 WEST FOURTH STREET
2024016	2/20/2024	Zoning	Install fence along rear property lines	2,000	05E0206104000	12E MIDDLE AVE	HAGERMAN MORGAN E	12 E MIDDLE AVE
2024015	2/7/2024	Building	35 E Main St: create new store front with garage door opening	2,000	05E0406200	35 East Main St	Joe Gushen C/O JAG Housing LLC	150 W 2nd St

2024014	2/20/2024	Building	Demolish and dispose of back room. Construct new addition with gable roof, 16x12.	35,000	05W02 18200000	146 W ELEVENTH ST	OTTAVIANI DANIEL S & DENISE D	116 FROSTY VALLEY RD
2024012	2/2/2024	Building	222 Blackberry Ave: Redo outside steps to 2nd floor from 36" treads to 44" treads and put 4x4 post to hold up steps	1,400	05W06 01500000	222230 BLACKBERRY AVE	MAUSTELLER RANDALL J	331 SCOTT AVENUE
2024011	2/1/2024	Electrical	Electrical Service Upgrade and Whole Home Rewire	16,000	05E05 25000000	305 FAIR ST	GERRISH GAYLEN M & GERTRUDE R	305 FAIR STREET

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Total Records: 9

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PEDALCYCLES

PART 1

Pedalcycles

§ 3-101. Definitions.

As used in this ordinance, the following words will be deemed to have the meaning set forth herein:

ALLEY — A street or highway intended to provide access to the rear or side of lots or buildings in urban districts and not intended for the purpose of through vehicular traffic.

BICYCLE — See pedalcycle.

BUSINESS DISTRICT — the territory contiguous to and including the entire width between the boundary lines of every street maintained when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel when within any 600 feet along the street there are buildings in use for business or industrial purposes, which occupy at least 300 feet of frontage on one side or 300 feet collectively on both sides of the street.

COMMONWEALTH — The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

DRIVER — a person who drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle, which includes a pedalcycle.

ELECTRIC PERSONAL ASSISTIVE MOBILITY DEVICE (EPAMD) — A self-balancing, non-tandem two-wheeled device designed to transport only one person with an electric propulsion system.

MOTOR VEHICLE — A vehicle which is self-propelled except an electric personal assistive mobility device or a vehicle which is propelled solely by human power.

MOTORCYCLE — A motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and:

- (1) designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground; or
- (2) designed to travel on two wheels in contact with the ground which is modified by the addition of two stabilizing wheels on the rear of the motor vehicle.

MOTOR-DRIVEN CYCLE(S) — A motorcycle, including a motor scooter, with a motor which produces not to exceed five brake horsepower.

MOTORIZED PEDALCYCLE(S) — A motor-driven cycle equipped with operable pedals, a motor rated no more than 1.5 brake horsepower, a cylinder capacity not exceeding 50 cubic centimeters, an automatic transmission and a maximum design speed of no more than 25 miles per hour or an electric motor-driven cycle equipped with operable pedals and an automatic transmission powered by an electric battery or battery-pack-powered electric motor with a maximum design speed of no more than 25 miles per hour.

MOTOR SCOOTER — A 2-wheeled vehicle powered by an engine or an electric motor and does not have a seat or saddle for the driver.

PEDALCYCLE(S) (INCLUDES BICYCLE) — A vehicle propelled solely by human-powered pedals or a pedalcycle with electric assist. The term does not mean a three-wheeled human-powered pedal-driven vehicle with a main driving wheel 20 inches in diameter or under and primarily designed for children six years of age or younger.

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PEDALCYCLE WITH ELECTRIC ASSIST — A vehicle weighing more than 100 pounds with two or three wheels more than 11 inches in diameter, manufactured or assembled with an electric motor system rated at not more than 750 watts and equipped with operable pedals and capable of a speed not more than 20 miles per hour on a level surface when powered by the motor source only. The term does not include a device specifically designed for use by persons with disabilities.

PEDALCYCLE LANE — A portion of street that has been designated by the Town and marked by signs and/or pavement markings for preferential or exclusive use by pedalcycles and/or motorized pedalcycles.

PEDALCYCLE PATH — A path or other area that has been designated by the Town and marked by signs for pedalcycle and/or motorized pedalcycle use, with or without shared pedestrian use.

PEDESTRIAN — Any of the following:

- (1) An individual afoot.
- (2) An individual with a mobility-related disability on a self-propelled wheelchair or an electrical mobility device operated by and designated for the exclusive use of an individual with a mobility-related disability.
- (3) A personal delivery device.

REFLECTOR — Any device which shall be equivalent to at least one inch in diameter, constructed of metal and/or glass, used to reflect light for safety and visibility.

SIDEWALK — That portion of a street between curb lines, or the lateral lines of a roadway, and the adjacent property lines, intended for use by pedestrians.

STREET — Any public road, street, alley or trafficway, but not including grassplots or sidewalks.

TOWN — Town of Bloomsburg

TRAFFICWAY — The entire width between property lines or other boundary lines of every way or place of which any part is open to the public for purposes of vehicular travel as a matter of right or custom.

VEHICLE — Every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a street, except devices used exclusively upon rails or tracks. The term does not include a self-propelled wheel chair or an electrical mobility device operated and designed for the exclusive use by a person with a mobility-related disability.

§ 3-102. Operation of Pedalcycles.

Every person operating a pedalcycle upon a street shall be granted all the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the operator of a vehicle by the laws of this Commonwealth declaring rules of the road applicable to vehicles or by the ordinances of this Town applicable to the operator of a vehicle, except as to special regulations in this Chapter and except as to those provisions of laws and ordinances which, by their nature, can have no application.

a. **Riding on Sidewalks.**

- (1) No pedalcycle shall be ridden upon a sidewalk in a Business District unless permitted by official traffic control devices, nor when a usable pedalcycle lane

has been provided adjacent to the sidewalk within the Town unless permitted by official traffic control devices. No motorized pedalcycles or motor-driven cycles shall be operated upon any sidewalk unless specifically designated by the Town.

- (2) No person shall drive any vehicle except a human-powered vehicle upon a sidewalk or sidewalk area except for a vehicle designed for the exclusive use by a person with a mobility-related disability or an EPAMD.
- b. Riding on Streets, Pedalcycle Paths and Pedalcycle Lanes.
- (1) Every person operating a pedalcycle upon a street shall ride as near to the right side of the street as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction, and shall ride in the same direction as traffic, unless directed otherwise by the Town.
 - (2) Persons operating pedalcycles or EPAMD upon pedalcycle paths and/or pedalcycle lanes shall ride to the right side unless designated otherwise.
 - (3) Any person operating a pedalcycle upon a street which carries traffic in one direction only (one-way streets) and has two or more marked lanes may ride as near to the left-hand curb or edge of the street as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or a vehicle proceeding in the same direction.
 - (4) When a pedalcycle and a vehicle enter an intersection from different streets at approximately the same time, the operator of the vehicle or pedalcycle on the left shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle or pedalcycle on the right.
 - (5) No golf carts, motor-driven cycles, mopeds, automobiles, all-terrain vehicles or utility task vehicles may be operated on a pedalcycle path or pedalcycle lane unless specifically designated by the Town.
 - (6) Employees of the Town and/or its designated agents shall be permitted to operate a utility terrain vehicle upon a street, pedalcycle path and/or pedalcycle lane solely for the purposes of performing duties within the scope of such person's employment and for no other purpose.
- c. Limitations of riding abreast. Persons operating pedalcycles upon a street shall not ride more than two (2) abreast except on pedalcycle paths and/or pedalcycle lanes or parts of streets set aside for the exclusive use of pedalcycles by the Town of Bloomsburg Council.
- d. Slower than prevailing speeds. A pedalcycle operated at a slower than a posted prevailing speed shall be driven in the right-hand lane when available for traffic, or as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the street except when preparing for a left turn at an intersection.
- e. Right-Of-Way to Pedestrians. A person operating a pedalcycle upon a street shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and shall give an audible signal, by way of bell, horn or voice before overtaking and passing a pedestrian. A person operating an EPAMD upon a sidewalk and/or street shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and shall give an audible signal, by way of bell, horn or voice before overtaking and passing a pedestrian.
- f. Passengers Illegal. A person operating a pedalcycle shall not ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto. A pedalcycle shall not be used

to carry more persons on it at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped by the manufacturer of the same, except that an adult rider, age eighteen (18) years and above may transport a child in a pedalcycle child carrier which is securely attached to the pedalcycle or in a trailer which is towed by a pedalcycle. If the passenger is a minor weighing forty (40) pounds or less, the carrier shall have adequate provision for retaining the minor in place and for protecting the minor from the moving parts of the pedalcycle.

- g. Clinging to Vehicles Prohibited. No person operating a pedalcycle shall attach the same or himself to any moving vehicle upon a street for the purpose of being pulled along with the moving vehicle.
- h. Carrying Articles. No driver of a pedalcycle shall carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the driver from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars or which obstructs the driver's vision.
- i. Improper Riding, Trick Riding, Racing.
 - (1) No person operating a pedalcycle or EPAMD on a street, sidewalk, pedalcycle lane or pedalcycle path shall participate in any race, speed or endurance contest, unless such race or endurance contest has the written permission of the Town of Bloomsburg and is under the supervision of the Town of Bloomsburg Police.
 - (2) No person riding or operating a pedalcycle shall perform any acrobatic, fancy or stunt riding upon any street, sidewalk or bicycle/pedalcycle path unless it is an organized activity approved by the Town of Bloomsburg and under the supervision of the Town of Bloomsburg Police.
- j. Obedience to Traffic Control Devices.
 - (1) All drivers operating a pedalcycle shall obey the instructions of official traffic-control devices applicable to vehicles, unless otherwise directed by a police officer or any appropriately attired person authorized to direct, control or regulate traffic.
 - (2) Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right, left, or "U" turn is permitted, no driver of a pedalcycle shall disobey the direction of any such sign, except where such person dismounts from the pedalcycle to make any such turn, in which event such person shall then obey the regulations applicable to pedestrians.
 - (3) Whenever authorized signs are erected, either permanently or temporarily, indicating that a road is closed, all drivers of pedalcycles must dismount and travel through such areas on foot, thereby abiding to all laws and ordinances regulating pedestrian traffic unless the road is closed due to an organized pedalcycle activity approved by the Town of Bloomsburg and under the supervision of the Town of Bloomsburg Police.
 - (4) All drivers of pedalcycles who dismount and travel on foot are subject to all provisions of law applicable to pedestrians.
- k. Stopping, Turning, Signaling.
 - (1) No pedalcycle driver shall suddenly stop, slow down or turn without giving an arm signal required by State law for the operation of motor vehicles. The proper

arm signals are as follows:

- (a) For a left turn, the hand and arm shall be extended horizontally.
- (b) For a right turn, the hand and arm shall be extended upward or a rider may also signal a right turn by extending the right hand and arm horizontally.
- (c) To stop or decrease speed, the hand and arm shall be extended downward.

(2) Every person operating a pedalcycle intending to turn right at an intersection, shall approach the turning point in the line of traffic nearest the right-hand curb of the street.

(3) Every person operating a pedalcycle intending to turn left at an intersection, shall approach the point of turning in the line of traffic nearest to the center of the street. The pedalcycle driver, in turning left at an intersection, shall pass to the left of the center of the intersection before turning, unless otherwise directed by markers, buttons or signs, except upon one-way streets. At intersections where traffic is moving in opposite directions, if it is not safe for pedalcycles to make turns, as mentioned above, the pedalcycle driver shall stay in the right-hand lane and ride to the opposite corner, then dismount and walk the pedalcycle to the left-hand corner and proceed. Left-hand turns may also be made by riding to the opposite corner and then turning left and riding in normal riding position. Crosswalks shall be used when walking a pedalcycle through an intersection.

l. Parking

- (1) A person may park a pedalcycle on a sidewalk, unless prohibited or restricted by an official traffic control device. A pedalcycle parked on a sidewalk shall not impede the normal and reasonable movement of pedestrian or other traffic.
- (2) No person shall chain or secure a pedalcycle to any Town stop sign, parking sign or any other official sign, nor any Town trees or parking meters.
- (3) Bicycle/pedalcycle racks are to be used, where available. No person shall chain or secure a pedalcycle to a bicycle/pedalcycle rack within a street right-of-way in excess of 72 hours. No person shall chain or secure a bicycle to a bicycle/pedalcycle rack in a municipal parking facility in excess of 30 days.
- (4) A pedalcycle may be parked on the street at any angle to the curb or edge of the street at any location where parking is allowed in the Town.
- (5) A pedalcycle may be parked on the street abreast of another pedalcycle near the side of the street at any location where parking is allowed.
- (6) A person shall not park a pedalcycle on a street in such a manner as to obstruct the movement of a legally parked motor vehicle.

m. Owner's Consent to Operate. No person shall intentionally take or ride a pedalcycle without the consent of the owner.

n. Helmets.

- (1) A person under the age of 12 years of age shall not operate a pedalcycle or ride as a passenger on a pedalcycle unless the person is wearing a pedalcycle helmet meeting the standards of the American National Standards Institute, the

American Society for Testing and Materials, The Snell Memorial Foundation's Standards for Protective Headgear for Use in Bicycling, or any other nationally recognized standard for pedalcycle helmet approval. This subsection applies to any person who rides:

- (a) Upon a pedalcycle while in a restraining seat attached to a pedalcycle; or
 - (b) In a trailer towed by a pedalcycle.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, any violation of subsection (1), above, is punishable by a fine, including all penalties, assessments and court costs imposed on the convicted person not to exceed \$25.00. The parent or legal guardian having control or custody of a person under 12 years of age whose conduct violates this subsection shall be jointly and severally liable with the person in the amount of the fine imposed.
 - (3) As used in this subsection, the term "wearing a pedalcycle helmet" means having a pedalcycle helmet of good fit fastened securely upon the head with the helmet straps.
- o. Operation of Pedalcycle with Electric Assist. No person under 16 years of age shall operate a pedalcycle with electric assist on any street in the Town.

§ 3-103. Safety Equipment Required.

- a. Every pedalcycle and EPAMD when in use between sunset and sunrise, shall be equipped on the front with a lamp which emits a white light intended to illuminate the pedalcycle and/or EPAMD's operator's path and visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front, red reflector facing to the rear, and an amber reflector on each side. Operators of pedalcycles and/or EPAMD's may supplement the required front lamp with a white flashing lamp, light-emitting diode or similar device to enhance their visibility to other traffic and with a lamp emitting a red flashing lamp, light-emitting diode or similar device visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear.

A lamp, or lamps, may be worn by the operator of a pedalcycle, or EPAMD and shall be deemed to comply with the requirements of this section if the lamp(s) can be seen at the distances specified.

- b. Every pedalcycle shall be equipped with a braking system which will stop the pedalcycle within 15 feet from an initial speed of 15 miles-per-hour on a dry, level and clean pavement.

§3-104. Compliance with Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code

Any person operating a pedalcycle, motorized pedalcycle and/or motor-driven cycle in the Town shall do so strictly in accordance with the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code, including, without limitation 75 Pa. C.S. §3501 et. seq. as the same may be changed or amended from time to time.

§ 3-105. Penalties and Enforcement.

Any person shall, upon conviction thereof for violation of this ordinance, be sentenced to pay a fine not to exceed \$50 and costs of prosecution. This Ordinance shall be enforced by the

Town of Bloomsburg Police Department.

§ 3-106. Impounding and Sale of Pedalcycles.

Whenever any pedalcycle is impounded for violation of these ordinances or violations under the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code and not reclaimed by the legal owner or custodian, it shall be held by the Town of Bloomsburg Police for a period not less than 90 days before disposal. Similarly, any pedalcycle found or turned into the Town of Bloomsburg Police as abandoned property will be held for a period not less than 90 days before disposal. Any pedalcycle held by the Town of Bloomsburg Police and not reclaimed by the legal owner may be sold at public auction or destroyed after 90 days.

§3-107. Pedalcycle Paths and Pedalcycle Lanes.

The Town shall have the right to designate pedalcycle paths and pedalcycle lanes within the Town.

§3-108. Rule and Regulations.

The Town shall have the right to adopt rules and regulations with respect to the operation of pedalcycles within the Town, including without limitation, on pedalcycle paths and pedalcycle lanes. Any rules and regulations adopted shall be enforceable under this Ordinance.

§ 3-107. Repealer.

This Ordinance shall repeal Chapter 3, Part 1 of the Code of the Town of Bloomsburg in its entirety and be effective five (5) days after its adoption by the Town of Bloomsburg Council.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into law by the Bloomsburg Town Council in lawful session assembled this ____ day of _____, 202__

Attest:

Lisa Dooley, Secretary

TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG

Justin Hummel, Mayor

Lisa Dooley

From: Scott McBride <bfdtruckie1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 08, 2024 2:39 PM
To: Justin Hummel; Lisa Dooley; Kimberly Pogash; Bonnie Crawford; Toni Bell; Jaclyn Kressler
Subject: Volunteer Stipend
Attachments: Letter to Town Admin and Finance.docx; 2023 SPREADSHEET.xlsx

Good afternoon all,

I apologize for the delay in getting this information in front of you to look over.

Attached are documents with an explanation of the points system and a spreadsheet with a breakdown of data for CY 2023.

There are a few ways to look at the data and more than one way to set criteria for qualifying for and potential stipend.

Warmest regards,

Scott W. McBride
Bloomsburg Fire Chief

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Feb. 28, 2024

Admin & Finance Committee,

Attached you will find a few documents to digest regarding any potential stipend you would choose to give volunteers for their commitment to the Town.

The point sheet is based off a system we used when we had a grant through the Federal Government for Recruitment & Retention. It breaks down incidents according to their type and severity. It does give the Chief the ability to assign points for incidents not shown in the document. Incident types for the point system are common incidents for us and are also types that we report to the Federal Government via the NFIRS (National Fire Incident Reporting System).

The spreadsheet is a breakdown of 2023 year end stats. It highlights the count of dispatched incidents attended, hours volunteered for dispatched incidents, percentage of dispatched incidents attended, and points accumulated for incidents attended. It has data fields that show breakdown of who would qualify if we used 50%, 33%, 25%, and 20% participation.

As you can see, there are different ways to interpret the data. If we use a combination of any two criteria fields, it possibly ensures a more consistent selection of those who would qualify. If we use just the points criteria it mimics the two factor criteria whichever % you use. Looking at the data, I would make a case for the 25% model.

I'm not sure what the stipend amount would be, that would have to be discussed. If you are looking to stay below tax implications, \$250/6 mos. would work.

The column on the left has a check mark for those that live within the Town limits, I know we discussed not using that as criteria to be fair to those that choose to volunteer with us and live outside of Town boundaries.

Would these funds come from the General Fund, or would it impact the Fire Fund? Would the disbursement come from the Town directly or indirectly? Indirectly would be as a disbursement from the department via funds from the Town. A cautionary note that it may put the department in a position to lose its 501c3 status if we disburse funds in that amount to that number of volunteers.

I think this is a good start for conversation. I am available to answer any questions or discuss thoughts.

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The information provided was pulled from the reporting system I use to provide monthly reports to the Town.

Warmest regards,

Scott W. McBride
Bloomsburg Fire Chief