

LUZERNE BOROUGH
Monthly Council Meeting
February 10, 2021 6:00PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – The February 10, 2021 meeting was called to order @ 6:00PM at the Luzerne Volunteer Fire Department by Michael Jancuska

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Officials Present

Council – Mary Ellen Schell, Susan Kalinay, Jason Tarreto and Mike Jancuska Also present – Mayor James Keller and Solicitor Jonathan Spohrer Telephonic: Tony Perzia

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETINGS

❖ **APPROVAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Council Meeting, November 11, 2020

Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Susan Kalinay to accept the November 11, 2020 meeting minutes as written.

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Council Meeting, December 9, 2020

Motion by Jason Tarreto 2nd by Mary Ellen Schell to accept the December 9, 2020 meeting minutes as written.

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Special Meeting, 2nd Budget December 15, 2020

Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Susan Kalinay to accept the December 15, 2020 minutes as written.

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Council Meeting, January 13, 2021

Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Susan Kalinay to accept the January 13, 2021 minutes as written.

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS – as of February 10, 2021

Expense Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska

Administration \$21,351.73 Police Department \$6,945.54 Highway Aid \$9,326.67

Sanitation \$11,530.00 Street Department \$823.34 Total Expenses \$49,977.28

Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Jason Tarreto to accept the February 10, 2021 expense report .

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

AUTHORIZATION TO DEPOSIT FUNDS – as of February 10, 2021

Income Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska

General Funds \$32,872.69 Garbage Fund \$.47 Total General Fund Monies
\$32,873.16

Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Susan Kalinay to accept the February 10, 2021 income report.

All in Favor –None Opposed – Motion Carried

TREASURERS REPORT – January 31, 2021

Report read by Chairman Jancuska

General Fund \$26,755.10 Garbage Fund \$52,759.97 Payroll Account \$160.55

Luzerne Borough Park Fund \$3,491.13 Fire Escrow Account \$400.00

Debit Card Fund \$350.50 Highway Aid Fund \$44,713.88

Certificate of Deposit \$55,847.82 Total \$184,478.95

Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Mary Ellen Schell to accept the January 31, 2021 Treasurers Report.

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

REPORTS

Hiring of Officers – Mayor James Keller - Hiring of Part Time Police Officers for the month of March 2021 at the rate of \$17.50 hour:

Nicholas Saullo, Greg Johnson, Greg Johnson Jr., Melville Tomeo, Michael Kowanick and Jennifer Alexander

Motion by 2nd by Jason Tarreto 2nd by Mary Ellen Schell to hire the Officers for the month of March 2021

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Police Report – Mary Ellen Schell reported 120 calls and 6 arrests for the month of January 2021

Public Works Department – Jason Tarreto reported the Borough should see some high expenses for truck repairs next month.

Finance Report – nothing to report

Parks & Recreation – nothing to report

Chairman Report

January 2021 Code Enforcement reported – 1 garbage, 3 property maintenance, 21 snow removal notices, 1 UGI notice and 11 snow removal letters.

Garbage Stickers are still on sale at Gerrity's Supermarket

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Natalie Goodman – County Waste

REPORT BY SOLICITOR

Atty. Spohrer requested an Executive Meeting after adjournment to discuss Borough legal matters

REPORT BY ENGINEER

Mike Jancuska asked Council for a motion to file the Block Grant Application with Luzerne County - prepared by Tim Connolly, Tetra Tech for municipal parking lot, basketball court and lights on Main Street. Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Susan Kalinay
All in Favor – None Opposed

Mayor Keller requested signs for the Main Street Municipal Parking Lot – “No Parking Overnight”.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

OLD BUSINESS

Police Vehicle Purchase – Mary Ellen Schell reported the new Police SUV should be ready and Borough should be taking possession of it shortly.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution approving 2021 Luzerne County Municipal Solid Waste Management Plan – Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Mary Ellen Schell
All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Luzerne Borough Sewer Authority Appointments – Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Mary Ellen Schell to appoint Joseph Kovalick to the board for a three (3) year term replacing Joseph Petrasick.

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Motion by Jason Tarreto 2nd by Mary Ellen Schell to reappoint Joseph Lyons for another 3 years.

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Luzerne Borough Zoning Officer – Motion by Jason Tarreto 2nd by Tony Perzia to appoint Jack Varaly as Luzerne Borough Zoning Officer at the rate of \$500.00 per month.

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mary Ellen Schell 2nd by Susan Kalinay to adjourn the meeting.
All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried



Linda Booth
Secretary



Michael Jancuska
Chairman



James Keller
Mayor