

LUZERNE BOROUGH
Monthly Council Meeting
June 11, 2025 @ 6:30PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The June 11, 2025 meeting was called to order @ 6:30PM at the Luzerne Volunteer Fire Department by Chairman Michael Jancuska

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Officials Present

Council- Michael Jancuska, Joseph Kovalick, John Yarmel, Dave Baker, Mayor Ron Reino

Also Present –Solicitor Jonathan Spohrer

Absent – Jason Tarreto

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN

May 14, 2025 – Motion by John Yarmel 2nd Joseph Kovalick to accept the minutes as written
All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS – as of June 11, 2025

Expense Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska

Motion by John Yarmel 2nd Joe Kovalick to accept the report as written

All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

AUTHORIZATION TO DEPOSIT FUNDS – as of June 11, 2025

Income Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska

Motion by Joseph Kovalick 2nd John Yarmel to accept the report & deposit the funds in their appropriate accounts.

All In Favor –None Opposed – Motion Carried

TREASURERS REPORT – as of May 31, 2025

Motion by John Yarmel 2nd Joseph Kovalick to accept the Treasurer's report as written.

All In Favor-None Opposed-Motion Carried

REPORTS

Mayor Ron Reino - asked Council to consider the following part time police officers at the rate of \$23.00 per hr. for the month of July 2025 Sergeant Daniel Duffy, Detective Greg Johnson Jr., Detective Robert Shupp, the following Patrolman Anthony Smith, Greg Johnson Sr., Darrin Bidwell, Joseph Weiberth, Christopher Vecchi, Joseph Schlagle and David Balchun.

Motion to hire by John Yarmel 2nd Joseph Kovalick

All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Mayors Report- Playground painting to be announced, update on police regionalization survey.

Michael Jancuska – Police report read by Mike in the absence of Jason Tarreto – 172 Calls for service in the month of May - Workers Comp Insurance went up \$3,300 – Zoning & Code Enforcement Reports

Jason Tarreto – Absent

John Yarmel – Updates on Food & Fun in the Park, grants & request for federal money for the police.

Dave Baker – Update on UGI regarding Christmas lights & replacing lights on Main St.

Report by Solicitor – None

Report by Engineer – None

CORRESPONDENCE – Letters from Mary Kovalcin & Joanne Martin resigning from committees.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

- ❖ LSA Grant – Start listing priorities for grant.
- ❖ Cameras & Access Control for the Police Station - TABLED
- ❖ Food assistance program - Motion by John Yarmel 2nd Joseph Kovalick to allow use of Borough property for the program.
All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried
- ❖ Golden Business Machine – Motion by Joseph Kovalick 2nd John Yarmel to purchase a new copy printer at the cost of \$120.53 for 36 months.
All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried
- ❖ Planning Commission – Motion by John Yarmel 2nd Joseph Kovalick to conditionally hire Atty Joseph Baranko -Slusser Law Firm as the solicitor for the Planning Commission.
All in Favor - None Opposed – Motion Carried
- ❖ Work Sessions – Motion by John Yarmel 2nd Joseph Kovalick to cancel work sessions for the remainder of the year.
All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Kovalcin – Burn ordinance, alleyways

Elizabeth Pierato – New business


ADJOURNMENT - Motion by John Yarmel 2nd Joe Kovalick to adjourn

All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried


EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS CALLED



Nicole Lord
Secretary



Michael Jancuska
Chairman



Ron Reino
Mayor