

LUZERNE BOROUGH
Monthly Council Meeting
March 8, 2023 6:30PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – The March 8, 2023 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 – Mary Ellen Schell, Susan Kalinay, Tony Perzia, and Michael Jancuska

Also present – Mayor James Keller & Solicitor Jonathan Spohrer.

Absent: Jason Tarreto

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALLED TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN

February 8, 2023 – Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd Susan Kalinay

All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

February 22, 2023 – Special Council Meeting – Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Susan Kalinay

To accept the minutes as written. All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS – as of March 8, 2023

Expense Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska

Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd Mary Ellen Schell to accept the report as written

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

AUTHORIZATION TO DEPOSIT FUNDS – as of March 8, 2023

Income Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska

Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Susan Kalinay to accept the Income Report & deposit the funds

All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

TREASURERS REPORT – as of February 28, 2023

Report not available

REPORTS

Police Department Mayor Keller – Hiring of Part Time Officers for the month of April 2023 at \$22.50 hr.:

Greg Johnson Sr., Jeremy Moyer, and Darrin Bidwell

Motion by Mary Ellen Schell 2nd Susan Kalinay

All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Police Report – Mary Ellen Schell reported 98 calls to service for the month of February 2023

Public Works Department – Jason Tarreto absent – nothing to report

Finance Report – Tony Perzia

2023 Paper Shredding Event dates on Saturdays, April 22nd and September 23rd at the Borough Garage 10am – 2pm.

Parks & Recreation – Susan Kalinay - donation to Merchants Association for the April 1st Easter Event on Main Street
Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Mary Ellen Schell to pay expenses up to \$300.00 for the Easter Event. All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Chairman's Report – Michael Jancuska – nothing to report

REPORT BY SOLICITOR – Atty. Jonathan Spohrer
Atty. Spohrer reported the Sewer Authority of Luzerne Borough amendments have not been filed as of this date due to website glitches – should be filed by Thursday.

Sewer Authority approved the purchase of a Club Cadet riding lawnmower at the cost of \$3,700.00 for the Luzerne Borough Department of Public Works.

REPORT BY ENGINEER – nothing to report

CORRESPONDENCE no correspondence

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Zoning Settlement Agreement for 455-457 Charles Street and 484 Charles Street
Motion by Mary Ellen Schell 2nd by Tony Perzia to accept the agreement with the understanding there will be an inspection within 20 days. All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

West side Mutual Aid Association Donation for Portable Teaching Firehouse for educational purposes. Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Mary Ellen Schell to donate \$500.00 AIF

Consideration to Adopt a Resolution "Urging of the Pa State Legislature to Revise Pa election Laws. No motion made – Dead Subject

Police Department Addition – Tim Connelly, Engineer speaking with Architects to see if project could be reworked to scaled back due on costs. Luzerne Borough only received \$300,000.00

Garbage – Jonas Krietzer from GFL spoke to Residents in attendance to offer service of \$26.00 month for 2023. Any size carts, recycling, bulk item. GFL to supply fliers with information before June.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

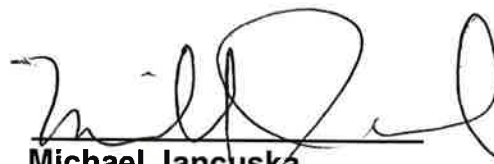
Judy Schoewnwetter – Miller Street house fire -, Natalie Goodman – Yard Waste and need for more police presence, Dave Baker – Sly Street road deterioration.

ADJOURNMENT

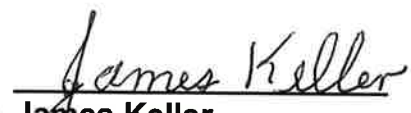
Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Mary Ellen Schell to adjourn.
All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried



Linda Booth
Secretary



Michael Jancuska
Chairman



James Keller
Mayor