

LUZERNE BOROUGH
Monthly Council Meeting
October 11, 2023 6:30PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – The October 11, 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 – Jason Tarreto, Tony Perzia, Susan Kalinay, Tony Perzia, John Yarmel and Michael Jancuska
Also present – Mayor James Keller & Solicitor Jonathan Spohrer.

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN

August 9, 2023 – Motion by Susan Kalinay 2nd by Jason Tarreto
All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

September 13, 2023 – Motion by Jason Tarreto 2nd by John Yarmel
All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS – as of October 11, 2023

Expense Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska
Motion by Jason Tarreto 2nd Susan Kalinay to accept the report as written
All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

AUTHORIZATION TO DEPOSIT FUNDS – as of October 11, 2023

Income Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska
Motion by John Yarmel 2nd by Susan Kalinay to accept the Income Report & deposit the funds
All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

TREASURERS REPORT – as of September 30, 2023

Treasurers Report Read by Chairman Michael Jancuska
Motion by Tony Perzia 2nd by Susan Kalinay to accept the report as written
All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

REPORTS

Police Department - Mayor Keller

Motion by Jason Tarreto 2nd by Susan Kalinay to hire the following part time officers for the Month of November 2023

Darrin Bidwell, Greg Johnson Sr., Jeremy Moyer, Danyelle Rodriguez and Christopher Vecchi at the rate of \$22.50 - Melville Tomeo at \$24.50 hr.

All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Police Report – Jason Tarreto reported 152 calls to service for the month of September 2023 – 15 Arrests

Public Works Department – Jason Tarreto – garage doors are installed and operational. Leaf Collection will be starting with Monday Collection of paper leaf bags and open containers. Wednesday's - vacuum day for leaves raked curbside. Salt shed is deteriorating. Holding off until funding for grant submitted is announced.

Finance Report – Tony Perzia – Paper Shredding Event has been rescheduled Due to weather to Saturday, October 14, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Parks & Recreation – Susan Kalinay – NE Pa Racing will hold the Back Mountain 5K Same Route as last year. Insurance waiver will be sent to Borough.

Chairman's Report – Michael Jancuska

REPORT BY SOLICITOR – nothing

REPORT BY ENGINEER – nothing to report

CORRESPONDENCE - none

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Hiring of Part Time Secretarial Assistant – tabled until next meeting. Council to review resumes.

Veterans Park Landscaping – One estimate received – Susan Kalinay to obtain 2 additional estimates.

State Municipal Pension Funding – Motion by Tony Periza 2nd by Jason Tarreto to distribute the funds to Nationwide Financial. All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Volunteer Fire Relief Funds – Motion by Jason Tarreto 2nd by Susan Kalinay to allocate the state funds of \$13,244.46 to the Luzerne Borough Volunteer Fire Department. All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

Zoning Board Hearing/Possible Board Member Replacement – Application submitted for Zoning Hearing for new building on crnr of Bennett & Academy Street. Board Member replacement tabled until November Meeting.

Police Station Update – Pending Zoning Approval

Northeast Signal – Maintenance Contract Motion to accept the contract by Tony Perzia 2nd by Susan Kalinay

PUBLIC COMMENTS

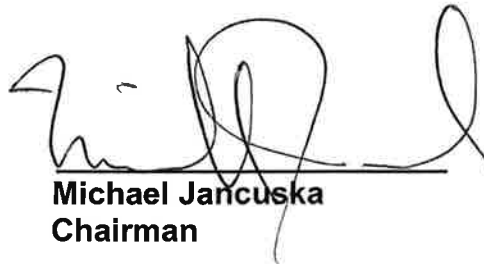
Tim Saltz – Police Dept, Tina Pimble – Police Department, Dorothy Zekus – Yard Waste, Lenora Minetola – unlocked commercial business, David Steele – issues with Zoning

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jason Tarreto 2nd by Tony Perzia to adjourn.
All in Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried



Linda Booth
Secretary



Michael Jancuska
Chairman



James Keller
Mayor