

**LUZERNE BOROUGH**  
Monthly Council Meeting  
October 8, 2025 @ 6:30PM

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The October 8, 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**

**September 10, 2025** – Motion by John Yarmel 2nd Joe Kovalick to accept the minutes as written  
All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

**AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS** – as of October 8, 2025

Expense Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska  
Motion by John Yarmel 2nd Dave Baker to accept the report as written  
All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

**AUTHORIZATION TO DEPOSIT FUNDS** – as of October 8, 2025

Income Report read by Chairman Michael Jancuska  
Motion by Dave Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> John Yarmel to accept the report & deposit the funds in their appropriate accounts.  
All In Favor –None Opposed – Motion Carried

**TREASURERS REPORT** – as of September 30, 2025

Motion by Joe Kovalick 2<sup>nd</sup> John Yarmel to accept the Treasurer's report as written.  
All In Favor-None Opposed-Motion Carried

**REPORTS**

**Mayor Ron Reino** – In the absence of Councilman Jason Tarreto, Mayor Ron Reino read the Police Report for September 2025 – 233 calls for service.

**Mayors Report** - Light Up Luzerne Update, November 29<sup>th</sup>, Christmas festivities in the Bank parking lot.

**Michael Jancuska** – September 2025 Code Enforcement

**Jason Tarreto** – Absent

**John Yarmel** – Trailer complaints, Planning Commission terms & resignation, LSA County Grant

**Joe Kovalick** – approval to use the bank property for the Holiday display

**Dave Baker** – Main St. electrical work for Light Up Luzerne, New lighting throughout the Borough

**Report by Solicitor** – Drug Paraphernalia Ordinance and Domestic Animal Ordinance

**Report by Engineer** – None

**Correspondence** – None

**OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS**

- ❖ Hire Part time Police Officer – Motion by John Yarmel 2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Baker to hire Rick Lussi @ the rate of \$23.00/hr. through the end of the year  
All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried
- ❖ Trunk or Treat Donation – Motion by John Yarmel 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe Kovalick to donate \$150 to the Phantom in the Park event.  
All In Favor- None Opposed – Motion Carried
- ❖ NYE 5K Walk/Run – Motion by John Yarmel 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe Kovalick to allow race to take place.  
All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried
- ❖ Drug Paraphernalia Ordinance – Motion by John Yarmel 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe Kovalick to advertise  
All In Favor- None Opposed – Motion Carried
- ❖ Domestic Animal Ordinance- Motion by Joe Kovalick 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Baker to advertise.  
Roll Call: Mike, yes – Joe, yes – Dave, yes – John, No.  
Motion Carried by a 3-1 vote.
- ❖ 2026 Budget Meetings – Council to discuss dates

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Joann Martin – Trunk or Treat; Mary Kovalcin – Domestic Animal Ordinance

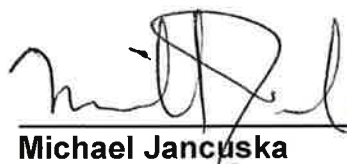
Rita Romashko – Gruver House; Natalie Goodman – Commend Police

Jonathan Sepla - Light Up Luzerne Committee updates

**ADJOURNMENT** - Motion by John Yarmel 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe Kovalick to adjourn

All In Favor – None Opposed – Motion Carried

  
**Nicole Lord**  
Secretary

  
**Michael Jancuska**  
Chairman

  
**Ron Reino**  
Mayor