

A **work session** of the Borough Council of Lewisburg, Union County, Pennsylvania, was held on **Tuesday, August 11, 2015** in the Council Chambers, 55 South Fifth Street. Present: President of Council Bergonia; Councilmembers Baker, Cox, Mahon, Morris and Strosser; Mayor Wagner, and Manager Smith. Absent was: Councilmember Cook and Faden. Also present: Trey Casimir, Stacy Hinck, Tom Egan and James Emery.

CALL TO ORDER: President Bergonia called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

AWARD TO FAIRCHILD BROTHERS, INC. FOR VANSANT ELEVATION PROJECT: Borough Manager Smith presented the approval from PEMA/FEMA to proceed with the VanSant Elevation Project at 200 South Front Street. Additional funding was awarded in the amount of \$99,719 bringing the total grant funds to \$231,800. Motion made by Councilmember Morris, seconded by Councilmember Mahon, to approve a contract with Fairchild Brothers. Inc., in the amount of \$218,300, for the VanSant Elevation Project (elevation of structure located at 200 South Front Street). Motion was approved, with one abstention. (Councilmember Strosser abstained.)

WCEC FUNDING FORMULA DISCUSSION: Lewisburg appointee to the Municipal Community Advisory Committee (MACAC), Trey Casimir, was present to update Council on potential funding formulas for the William Cameron Engine Company (WCEC). Mr. Casimir reviewed the recent history and consideration of various funding criteria and indicated the general support of the committee is leaning toward a formula based on the previous year State Fire Relief Aid, as determined by the State of Pennsylvania. There was much discussion. Councilmember Strosser indicated that every resident in the five (5) municipalities served by WCEC should be charged the same amount, regardless of taxable value or exempt properties. He furthered commented it is not fair to a Lewisburg resident who has to pay three times the average millage to equate to a different municipality that does not have the same amount of exemptions. There was much discussion. Mr. Casimir indicated that he would take Council's concerns back to the MACAC and come back to Council in the future with more clarification.

QUALITY OF LIFE ORDINANCE: Manager Smith presented Council with a draft ordinance to summarize routine Code violations for exterior property conditions in the Borough. The first item of consideration was changing the title of the Ordinance. There was much discussion. Council elected to further consider its options. Council reviewed with the Manager any outstanding issues, grammar, edits and summary. Discussion stopped short of review of the proposed fines for violations. Manager was directed to correct the suggested edits, etc. and bring back to Council as a new draft for consideration.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Manager Smith requested an executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Motion made by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Strosser, to enter executive session. Council entered executive session at 8:45 PM. Council returned from executive session at 9:00 PM.

Upon motion of Councilmember Baker, seconded by Councilmember Strosser, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chad N. Smith
Borough Manager

ATTENDANCE

CALL TO ORDER

AWARD TO FAIRCHILD BROTHERS, INC. FOR VANSANT ELEVATION PROJECT/200 SOUTH FRONT STREET

WCEC FUTURE FUNDING FORMULA DISCUSSION

PROPOSED NEW ORDINANCE TO ENFORCE EXTERIOR CONDITIONS OF PROPERTY IN THE BOROUGH

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT