

A work session of the Borough Council of Lewisburg, Union County, Pennsylvania, was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 in the Council Chambers, 55 South Fifth Street. Present: President of Council Bergonia; Councilmembers Baker, Cook, Cox, Faden, Mahon, Morris and Strosser; Mayor Wagner, Interim Manager Hamberger and Secretary Garrison. Also present: William Lowthert.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

Councilmember Morris made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mahon, to enter an executive session for a personnel matter. Motion was unanimously approved.

Council entered executive session at 7:05 PM. Council returned from executive session at 7:15 PM.

Councilmember Morris made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Strosser, to appoint William Lowthert as the Borough Manager/Treasurer, said employment to begin on November 16, 2015, per the terms and conditions of the proposed employment agreement, which was authorized to be executed. Motion was unanimously approved. (Note: William Lowthert's employment agreement was fully executed at this time.)

Councilmember Morris made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Faden, to rescind the appointment of Patricia M. Garrison, as Treasurer, effective November 16, 2015. Motion was unanimously approved.

Interim Manager Hamberger distributed the Street Lighting Fund, the Fire Protection Fund, the Shade Tree Fund, the Parking Facilities Fund, the D.F. Green Recreation Fund, the D.F. Green Field Fund and the Regional Recreation Fund. He referred to these as the minor, enterprise funds, and reviewed each, answering any questions, and pointing out the estimated year end figure for 2015, as well as the year end figure for 2016. He noted he is still working on the General Fund, but it appears to be healthy for a small Borough. He hasn't tackled the Refuse Fund yet, but his recommendation to any Borough collecting their own refuse is to get out of that business; he believes this is something Council should seriously consider. There was **much** discussion. He asked everyone to take these budget spreadsheets, look at them closely, and come back with any questions, comments or suggestions.

Interim Manager Hamberger requested that a Finance Committee meeting be held on Monday the . He hopes to be able to present the General Fund budget at that time. Council President Bergonia instructed the Borough Secretary to advertise a Special Finance Committee meeting for 3 PM on Monday the .

Councilmember Strosser explained he had placed on the Planning Committee agenda Thursday what he is about to bring before Council now, and that is consideration to allow not-for-profit organizations to hold fundraisers where there will be alcohol, for example, beer and wine tasting, on Borough owned property like Soldiers Park or Hufnagle Park. the Brew-B-Que was quite successful this year, and the LDP has the ability to schedule four fundraising events similar to this each year. So, he is interested in how Council feels about this. Solicitor Lyons indicated an ordinance change would be required and it certainly could be done, but the wording would be very important. There was **much** discussion, but it was the sense of Council if the language could be created to clearly delineate boundaries and regulations, there shouldn't be a problem.

Councilmember Morris stated we are still waiting on healthcare quotes from Benecon, so there has not been a union negotiation meeting. Interim Manager Hamberger reported he is hoping to receive information from Benecon this week.

Upon motion of Councilmember Mahon, seconded by Councilmember Baker, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Garrison
Borough Secretary

ATTENDANCE
CALL TO ORDER
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PERSONNEL MATTER
(EXECUTIVE SESSION)
APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM LOWTHERT AS BOROUGH MANAGER/ TREASURER
APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH SECRETARY AS TREASURER RESCINDED EFFECTIVE 11/16/15
DISCUSSION/REVIEW OF 2016 BUDGET
SPECIAL FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
DISCUSSION REGARDING ALLOWING USE OF ALCOHOL ON PUBLIC PROPERTY FOR FUNDRAISING EVENTS
UPDATE ON UNION NEGOTIATIONS
ADJOURNMENT