

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough Council of Lewisburg, Union County, Pennsylvania, was held at 6:30 PM on **Tuesday, March 21, 2023** in Council Chambers, 55 South Fifth Street, Lewisburg. Present: Council President Sulai (via telecommunication); Council Vice President Comas, Councilmembers Derman, Heayn (via telecommunication), Bilenky Trahan, Powers, Stamm, Manager Lowthert, Secretary Wendt, Accounting Clerk Swanson-Batman, Mayor Alvarez, and Solicitor Lyons. Also present: Ellen Ruby and Jim Diehl.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Council Vice President Comas called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Councilmember Powers made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Bilenky Trahan to approve the February 21, 2023, Regular meeting minutes. Motion was unanimously approved.

**PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:** Councilmember Bilenky Trahan made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Powers to approve HARB items a through c as submitted and recommended by HARB per their minutes dated March 14, 2023. Motion was unanimously approved.

- a. **“Jody K Horn” / 229 Market Street / Sign** (HARB approved and recommends Council approval)
- b. **“Sandy David” / 229-1/2 Market Street / Sign** (HARB approved and recommends Council approval)
- c. **“Anne Griffin” / 113 S. Front Street / Front Stoop** (HARB approved and recommends Council approval)

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:** Buffalo Valley Regional Police (BVRPD) Chief Yost submitted a monthly report.

William Cameron Engine Company (WCEC) Chief Blount submitted a monthly report.

Councilmember Derman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Bilenky Trahan to approve payment of bills from February 19, 2023, through March 18, 2023 in the amount of \$453,109.97 Motion was unanimously approved.

Councilmember Derman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Powers to approve Resolution 23-02 for the placement of an additional banner over Market Street/Route 45 for the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department’s National Night Out and permission to submit the necessary letter to PennDOT. Motion was unanimously approved.

Councilmember Derman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Bilenky Trahan to declare unneeded/unused Borough equipment/items as surplus for sale or disposal. Items include (1) 2004 Bobcat S185 Skid Loader; (2) 2006 Hustler 4600 Mower; (3) 1999 Kubota Diesel Engine; (4) 1994 JDS Ind. Enclosed Trailer; (5) 2001 International Dump Truck; (6) 12 metal refuse cans; (7) 6 metal recycling cans; (8) 4 wooden storage cabinets; and (9) 10+ mobile/vehicle mounted analog radios. Motion was unanimously approved.

Councilmember Derman made a motion, seconded by Bilenky Trahan to direct the Borough Solicitor to advertise an Ordinance regulating the use of Consumer Fireworks and Display Fireworks within the Borough of Lewisburg. There was some discussion. Motion was unanimously approved.

Current vacancies on Planning Commission with term expiration December 31, 2026, Zoning Hearing Board Alternate with term expiring December 31, 2023, HARB with term expirations December 31, 2023, December 31, 2025.

Councilmember Derman reported that the Administrative and Public Safety Committee granted LDP/Lewisburg Arts Council permission to change the artwork on the piers in the Lewisburg Art Park to a spring design.

ATTENDANCE

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
February 21, 2023

PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS  
HARB

ADMINISTRATIVE AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
BVRPD

WCEC

Approval of Bills

Additional Banners

Borough’s equipment/items as surplus for sale or disposal

Ordinance regulating Consumer and Display Fireworks

Vacancies

Lewisburg Art Park piers Spring design

March 21, 2023

**BOROUGH SOLICITOR:**

Councilmember Derman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Powers to enact Ordinance No. 1074 amending the Traffic and Parking Ordinance by changing "Pine Alley" to "White Pine Alley" and establishing additional parking meter zones on the west side of North and South Sixth Streets. Motion was unanimously approved.

Borough Solicitor

**REPORTS / COMMUNITY UPDATES / PUBLIC NOTICES:**

Mayor Alvarez announced that the Office of Outdoor Recreation will be holding a meeting on April 12, 2023 at Lycoming College and encouraged Borough attendance. She also announced that on May 23, 2023, we are vying for the opportunity for the Department of Outdoor Recreation, as well all the Outdoor Recreation in PA Group, to be present in downtown Lewisburg. The group would include people from throughout the state. We are awaiting confirmation for this event.

**REPORTS /  
COMMUNITY  
UPDATES /  
PUBLIC NOTICES**  
Mayor Alvarez

Council President Sulai encouraged everyone to sign up for the CodeRed notification system available on the Borough's website. Sulai also thanked Councilmember Derman for all his hard work on the Fire Ordinance.

President Sulai

Borough Secretary Wendt announced that the annual spring brush, tree trimmings, and leaf pickup is scheduled for the week of April 3-7. She also reminded Council of the Special Council meeting that will be held on April 3 at 8:30 a.m. Wendt also reported that the Northumberland County Conservation District will be starting mosquito surveillance in our area beginning April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Borough  
Secretary Wendt

Community Development Grant Manager Berkey announced that Hufnagle Park Event Venue Project bids are due Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. She also reported that PennCore is working on a feasibility study on St. Anthony Street.

Community  
Development  
Grant Manager  
Berkey

**WRITTEN REPORTS:** Councilmember Derman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Stamm to acknowledge receipt of the monthly Parking Report, Zoning Officer Report and Code Enforcement Officer Report, January and February Building Permits, Planning Commission February minutes, Shade Tree Committee December and January minutes. Motion was unanimously approved.

**WRITTEN  
REPORTS**

**WORK SESSION:** There will be a Work Session to be held Tuesday, April 11, 2023. HRG will present a draft preliminary Hufnagle Park Event Venue Project final plan to Council.

**WORK SESSION**

Council Vice President Comas called for an executive session to discuss legal matters at 7:06PM.

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

Council returned at 7:21PM.

There being no further business, Councilmember Powers made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Derman to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy D. Wendt  
Borough Secretary