

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough Council of Lewisburg, Union County, Pennsylvania, was held at 6:30 PM on **Tuesday, June 15, 2021** in Council Chambers, 55 South Fifth Street, Lewisburg. Present: Council President Sulai; Councilmembers Comas, Botelho, Derman, Farrell, Heayn, and Yohn; Manager Lowthert, Secretary Anders, BVRPD Chief Yost, Solicitor Lyons, and Mayor Wagner. Also present: Ellen Ruby, Guillermo Torres, Jack de la Parra, Cooper B (illegible), and Paul Siewers.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Council President Sulai called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Councilmember Heayn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Comas, to approve the May 11, 2021, Zoom Work Session meeting minutes. Motion was unanimously approved.

Councilmember Comas made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Heayn, to approve the May 18, 2021, Zoom Regular meeting minutes. Motion was unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC WORKS/POLICE COMMITTEE:** Buffalo Valley Regional Police Chief Yost submitted a monthly report.

Councilmember Comas made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Botelho, to direct Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department (BVRPD) to resume issuing social gathering permits in Lewisburg Borough. There was some discussion. Motion was unanimously approved.

Mayor Wagner thanked Chief Yost for the reporting information regarding vehicle noise monitoring. Chief Yost and police staff will continue to sporadically monitor the vehicle noise in the Borough.

William Cameron Engine Company Chief Blount was unable to attend. Councilmember Derman stated discussions regarding planning of capital maintenance and improvements will continue this month.

**ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Councilmember Derman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Farrell to approve payment of bills from May 15, 2021 through June 11, 2021 in the amount of \$243,152.13. Motion was unanimously approved.

Councilmember Derman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Heayn, to approve accepting a Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Recycling Program 902 Grant in the amount of \$197,035.00 for the purchase of a new Leaf Vacuum truck and to approve the Borough Council President to sign the agreement on behalf of Lewisburg Borough. Motion was unanimously approved.

Councilmember Derman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Botelho, to allocate \$255,153.06 from the American Rescue Plan Act funding for the Borough's 2020 loss revenue. There was some discussion. Motion was unanimously approved.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING COMMITTEE:** Councilmember Yohn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Derman to approve HARB item a as submitted and recommended by HARB per their minutes dated May 11, 2021. Councilmember Farrell abstained. Motion was approved.

- a. Elijah Farrell / 349 North Fourth Street / Fence (HARB approved/Committee recommends Council approval)

Councilmember Yohn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Derman to approve HARB items b and c as submitted and recommended by HARB per their minutes dated May 11, 2021. Motion was unanimously approved.

- b. Kim & Chris Wheeler / 221 North Fourth Street / Fence (HARB approved/Committee recommends Council approval)
- c. Lucas Waddell / 26 Saint John Street / Shed (HARB approved/Committee recommends Council approval)

Councilmember Yohn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Farrell, to accept the resignation of Bonnie Smith from the Lewisburg Shade Tree Commission with regret effective July 1, 2021. Motion was unanimously approved.

**ATTENDANCE**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
May 11, 2021

May 18, 2021

**PUBLIC WORKS/POLICE COMMITTEE**  
BVRPD

WCEC

**ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE**  
Approval of Bills

902 Recycling Grant – Leaf Vacuum

ARPA Funding

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING**  
HARB

- E FARRELL

- WHEELER
- L WADDELL

STC Smith Resignation

June 15, 2021

Councilmember Yohn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Comas to accept the resignation of Sue Yohn from the Lewisburg Borough Shade Tree Commission with regret effective July 1, 2021. Motion was unanimously approved.

STC Yohn  
Resignation

Councilmember Yohn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Comas, to appoint Michael Brody to the Lewisburg Borough Shade Tree Commission with a term expiring December 31, 2021 effective July 1, 2021. Motion was unanimously approved.

STC Brody  
Appointment

Councilmember Yohn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Farrell to appoint David Heayn to the Lewisburg Borough Shade Tree Commission with a term expiring December 31, 2022 effective immediately. Motion was unanimously approved.

STC Heayn  
Appointment

Councilmember Yohn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Botelho to appoint Cora Taylor to the Lewisburg Borough Shade Tree Commission with a term expiring December 31, 2023 effective immediately. Motion was unanimously approved.

STC Taylor  
Appointment

Councilmember Yohn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Botelho, to appoint Ann Longanbach to the Lewisburg Borough Shade Tree Commission with a term expiring December 31, 2024 effective July 1, 2021. Motion was unanimously approved.

STC Lonanbach  
Appointment

Councilmember Yohn made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Comas, to appoint Amy Levan to the Lewisburg Borough Shade Tree Commission with a term expiring December 31, 2025 effective immediately. Motion was unanimously approved.

STC Levan  
Appointment

Current vacancies on Zoning Hearing Board Alternate (two positions) term expiration December 31, 2023, and HARB term expiration December 31, 2022, December 31, 2023, December 31, 2023.

Vacancies

**PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON ANY NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** Paul Siewers read a statement regarding the recent act of an unwelcoming message placed at 239 Market Street hung by anonymous person(s) and requested Council to consider passing Resolutions decrying the act of vandalism and decrying the use of stereotyped and unfair comments on social media by Borough residents. There was some discussion.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**  
P Siewers

**MAYOR:** Mayor Wagner reported there was a wonderful press conference that took place at the piers at 4 AM. She is thankful and proud of all that LDP has done for the community.

**MAYOR**

In this month of Pride, Mayor Wagner would like to encourage ending discrimination against LGBTQ+ community.

Mayor Wagner shared that June is the anniversary of the Agnes Flood. Gordon Hufnagle lost life saving residents of the Borough and Mayor John Baker kept Lewisburg Borough a float. Hufnagle Park is the silver lining of Agnes.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT:** Council President Sulai welcomed George Botelho to his first in person Council meeting.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**BOROUGH MANAGER:** Manager Lowthert updated Council on the Bull Run/Kidsburg/Nature Play project. There was some discussion.

**BOROUGH MANAGER**

**BOROUGH SOLICITOR:** Solicitor Lyons informed Council the parking Ordinance amendment will be on the agenda for the July meeting.

**Borough Solicitor**

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL:** Councilmember Comas would like staff to work with people of the community organizing a small Pride event on a location for a final rainbow crosswalk and something temporary in the interim. There was some discussion.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

June 15, 2021

**WRITTEN REPORTS:** Councilmember Comas made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Derman to acknowledge receipt of the monthly Parking Report, Zoning Officer Report, LAJSA May Minutes and June Agenda, and Code Enforcement Officer Report. Motion was unanimously approved.

**WORK SESSION:** There will be a Work Session to be held Tuesday, July 13, 2021.

Council President Sulai called for an executive session to discuss legal matters at 7:40 PM.

Council returned at 8:13PM.

There being no further business, Councilmember Botelho made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Derman, to adjourn the meeting. Motion was unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:13PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline A. Anders  
Borough Secretary

**WRITTEN REPORTS**

**WORK SESSION**

EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

**ADJOURNMENT**