

# LEWISBERRY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY OCTOBER 2, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Patrick Groft, Council President, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Patrick Groft, Council President; Wayne Branyan, Mayor; Council Members: Maureen Bereznak, Michelle Fletcher, Daniel Soltis, Oscar Winters, and Robert Lewis

Also Present: Yvonne Allard, Borough Manager; P. Daniel Altland, Borough Solicitor

## PUBLIC PRESENT \*SEE ATTACHED SIGN IN SHEET\*

## RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC

- Lieutenant Boyles reports there were 6 calls for service, and 3 traffic incidents (1 warnings, 2 citations), in September. Lieutenant Boyles mentions that there was an incident in the Borough last night that involved many officers responding to a resident who had a mental health issue. The resident was assisted and taken to get the help needed. Discussion ensued regarding parking on Walnut Lane for the bus stop and Nebinger for blocking traffic.
- John Minito and Chad Wilson from West Shore Recreation Commission thanks the Council for their support of the West Shore Rec. They gave a brief update on the status of the WSRec.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Daniel **SOLTIS** made a motion, seconded by Oscar **WINTERS** to approve the September 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried, 6-0.

## APPROVAL OF INVOICES AND RECEIPTS

- Maureen **BEREZNAK** made a motion, seconded by Michelle **FLETCHER** to approve the General Fund, Electric Fund, Road Fund, and Building Maintenance account invoices for payment. Motion carried, 6-0.

## SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Solicitor Altland states his items will be covered under New Business.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

- Trick or Treat has been set for Thursday October 26, 2023 6-8 pm, with a severe weather date of Tuesday October 31, 2023 6-8 pm.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Road Committee:

- Council Member Soltis and Lewis have hung up new signs around the Borough.
- Manager Allard states that an extension was granted by PennDOT Low Volume Roads for the project at Heck Hill and Walnut. The new completion date is June 30, 2024. That gives the Borough some additional time to wait on outstanding grant decisions and get the project done.
- Residents Mark and Mary Jo Keener state there is a section on Lewis Street where the trash truck backs up and the road is cracking.

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## Electric Commission:

- Council Member Fletcher states Manager Allard attended the AMP Annual Conference last week virtually.
- Manager Allard states that AMP did state during the conference that they are still awaiting the results of the DOE AMI grant. No timeline for decisions have been stated as of yet.
- President Groft states that the trees in the high lines have been trimmed. One tree was missed on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and the back of Resident Keener's property.
- The sample from the leaking transformer was obtained and is ready to be sent to the lab.

## Insurance Committee:

- No report

## Building and Grounds Committee:

- Council Member Soltis states the following:
  - The bench donated by Vicki Eggers in memory of her late son was assembled, but is very heavy and will need to go at least 21 inches in the ground. An auger may need to be rented to dig the holes.
  - Rakes, shovels, and other such landscaping tools will be needed to purchased for the Borough and for maintenance to use.
- Manager Allard states that C.F. Acri says a control board is needed for the mini split system for the fire hall. They have quoted a price of \$442. Discussion ensued. Manager Allard will check if the unit is still under warranty.

## OLD BUSINESS

- Solicitor Alland states that he and several council members attended the Newberry Township Zoning Commission meeting regarding the 26 acres that abut the Borough owned by Charles Wright of Newberry Township. The most lots that can be subdivided is five based on the current ordinance, they were asking for more. Some of the lots are less than an acre some are more than two acres and are larger to accommodate on site septic and not tie into the Lewisberry Area Joint Sewer Authority system. The applicant was also confused as to the right of the unopened streets and opening them up. The variance requested was denied by a unanimous vote.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Manager Allard brings forth the following:
  - The 2024 budget is in the process of being drafted, a budget committee will need to be appointed. Council members Berezna, Fletcher, and Winters volunteer to be on the committee.
  - Family First Healthcare has taken over the former Community Room and REDCAP offices. They are seeking permission to erect a dividing wall in the Community Room to separate the space into a small conference room and break room. Discussion ensued. Family First will be asked to provide a sketch of what they are proposing, and Manager Allard will check with Barry Isett & Associates if a permit will be needed.
  - The 2024 SPCA of York Agreement is up for renewal, it comes with an increase from \$186 to \$272 for 2024. Discussion ensued. The decision on the renewal will be tabled until further clarification regarding their services to the community are clarified.
- President Groft and Council Member Berezna discuss the status of the trees needed cutting on the Nebinger embankment. Some trees need to be removed and need a specialty tree removal company to take

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them down. Discussion ensued as to why Nebinger embankment is taken care of by the Borough. Solicitor Altland states that the Nebinger embankment was deeded to the Borough, the unopened roads are not the Borough's obligation to maintain as they are under the responsibility of the homeowners that adjoin the unopened roads.

TABLE

- No items

ADJOURN MEETING

Michelle FLETCHER made a motion, seconded by Robert LEWIS to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion carried, 6-0.

October 2, 2023

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Name

Affiliation

T. Thompson

RES

John Minuto

W. S. Rec

Pam Soltis

Resident

MARK Keener

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MARY JO Keener

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CHAD WILSON

WS REC