

Budget Meeting Minutes

January 27th, 2026

The January 27th, 2026 Budget Meeting was called to order at 6:00p.m. by Vice President Joseph Genits at the Lansford Borough Town Hall, 1 West Ridge Street, Lansford, Pennsylvania. The meeting was attended by Council Member Joseph Butrie, Council Member Gwyneth Collevecchio, Vice President Joseph Genits, Council Member Bruce Markovich, Council Member Jack Soberick, Mayor Denise Leibensperger, and Borough Treasurer Maria Ahner.

President Pro Tempore Michele Bartek and President George Gilbert were not in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mary Soberick of 109 West Abbott Street inquired about the commission expense EIT budget line item.

Joseph Genits spoke about the proposed budget being changed to include another full-time police officer.

Joseph Genits spoke about the police training budget line item.

Joseph Genits spoke about the umbrella liability insurance budget line item.

Joseph Genits spoke about the major equipment purchase budget line item.

Joseph Genits spoke about wanting the interest from the Borough CD's to be taken out and applied to items within the budget throughout the year.

Joseph Genits spoke about the municipal admin water/sewer budget line item.

Joseph Genits spoke about the municipal admin center heat budget line item.

Michele Bartek stated that she would like to thank the Borough Treasurer Maria Ahner for the way she records the information about the Borough CDs.

A discussion was had about the interest rates on the Borough CDs and accounts.

Maria Ahner spoke about the Code Enforcement Professional Service budget line item.

A discussion was had about Code Enforcement and Quality of Life.

Bruce Markovich inquired about if the Fire Company needed more money budgeted.


Joseph Genits spoke about the budget being tentatively adopted at the special meeting following immediately after the budget meeting.

Michele Bartek inquired about the licensing and permits amounts for the cable tv franchises and if those amounts have decreased.

Motion to adjourn by Jack Soberick and seconded by Joseph Butrie. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Vice President Joseph Genits at 6:47p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Ashley McLaughlin

Secretary