

**Lansford Borough Council  
Special Meeting  
March 22, 2022**

**Call to Order**

A special meeting of Lansford Borough Council for general purposes was held 5:00 p.m. March 22, 2022, at borough hall, 1 W. Ridge Street, Lansford, PA. The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Markovich and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The following council members were present: Jennifer Staines, William Chuma, President Bruce Markovich, Vice President John Turcmanovich, Gwyneth Collevecchio, Jay Doyle, Martin Ditsky, Mayor Hugh Vrablic

**Executive Session-**

We discussed Personnel and other issues.

**Public Courtesy –**

Bob Silver – 17 E. Ridge St.- Asked Council when his appeal date will be set. Also asked if any rental licenses were issued who preps the invoices and who stuffed the envelopes.

Rose Mary Cannon – 242 W. Ridge St – No contract for Lacey – There is one on file. Addressed Lansford Alive and Friends of Recreation working together. Change can be good.

Bob Silver – Mentioned that the appeal was addressed to Council why is it that Council can't pick a date for the Appeal?

Rose Mary Cannon – Mentioned that there was a meeting held on Sunday with Zoning and Code with Jim Dean and that it should have been advertised.

**New Business**

a) Hiring of a Part time Borough Secretary.

**A motion was made by William Chuma, second by Jay Doyle to hire Shantel Lauer on a 90-day probation period at a pay rate of \$16.00 an hour for 35 hours a week working 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with an unpaid lunch. Jennifer Staines was opposed. Motion passed.**

b) Bill McMullen from ARRO the Borough's engineer to discuss Borough Garage project.

Came to talk to Council about the Borough Garage project he mentioned that you need the survey first. There is a check list for Capital projects that he will review with Council. When we get the survey done, we also need a topographical survey as well. Bruce asked him how long it would take to build this building. Bill said about 6 months.

c) Hiring of Part-time Police Officer.

The applicant's name is Austin Signarovitz he is 20 years old will be graduating from the academy on 5/3/22 he works part-time for the Sheriff's Department as a Security Officer.

**A motion was made by John Turcmanovich, second by Gwyneth Collevecchio to hire Austin Signarovitz provisionally until he gets his permanent Mopec #. All were in favor. Motion passed.**

d) Motion to seize fire escrow account in the amount of \$9,163.57 for property at 156 W Ridge St.

**A motion was made by William Chuma, second by John Turcmanovich to seize the fire escrow account in the amount of \$9,163.57 for the property at 156 W. Ridge St.**

- e) Motion to hire Radocha Excavating to demolish 156 W. Ridge St. at a cost not to exceed \$32,000.00.

**A Motion was made by William Chuma, second by Jay Doyle to hire Radocha Excavating to demolish 156 W. Ridge St. at a cost not to exceed \$32,000.00. All were in favor. Motion passed.**

- f) Motion to have Attorney Yurchak file a Lien against the property at 156 W. Ridge St.  
**A Motion was made by Gwyneth Collevecchio, second by John Turcmanovich to have Attorney Yurchak file a Lien against the property at 156 W. Ridge St. All were in favor. Motion passed.**

- g) Leasing out on a one year lease a building at Silberline.  
William Chuma mentioned that we can rent out one of the small buildings at Silberline. The building is small like a 2-car garage. Matt Tirpak is looking for a small building like this he does repairs on swimming pools, and he needs a place to park two vehicles he will need to get his own insurance. Bruce mentioned that Attorney Yurchak would draw up a hold harmless agreement for this.

**A Motion was made by William Chuma, second by Jay Doyle to lease out a building at Silberline to Matt Tirpak at \$250.00 a month. All were in favor. Motion passed.**

A motion was made by John Turcmanovich, second by Gwyneth Collevecchio to go off the agenda. All were in favor. Motion passed.

John mentioned how the tasers the police dept. is using are obsolete. The dept. needs new Tasers. The new Tasers would be rechargeable instead of needing batteries all the time. When they are removed, they record for use of force cases. Each officer will have his own taser. The quote for the tasers for a 5year agreement is \$15,460.60 that comes out to \$3,092.12 per year.

Bruce asked since the amount was over \$10,000.00 would they get two more quotes.

**A Motion was made by Gwyneth Collevecchio, without a second to table it until we receive more quotes. All were in favor.**

**Adjournment- at 6:00 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

*Wendy Butrie*

*Secretary Treasurer*