

**PUBLIC MEETING  
CITY OF LEWISTOWN APPROPRIATION BUDGET  
TUESDAY April 26, 2022**

The Lewistown City Council met in the council chambers at Lewistown City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Alderperson Sally Clark, Jim Long, Brad Ward, Kendall Miller, Kim Pascal, Mayor Doug Lafary, City Clerk Cindy Goddard, City Treasurer Debby Brown, and Public Works Director Evinn Palmer. **Absent** was Alderman John Spotloe.

New budget presented to council members. Raises included, water and waste water has a surplus now. No public comments or questions.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

**LEWISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
DATE April 26, 2022**

The Lewistown City Council met in regular session in the council chambers. City Clerk Cindy Goddard called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Lafary joined meeting at 6:31 p.m. after meeting with Channel 25 News.

Invocation – Howard Love

**ROLL CALL: PRESENT:** Alderperson Sally Clark, Jim Long, Brad Ward, Kendall Miller, Kim Pascal, John Spotloe and Mayor Doug Lafary. **Also present:** City Clerk Cindy Goddard, City Treasurer Debby Brown, Public Works Director Evinn Palmer, and City Attorney Nathan Collins. **ABSENT:** Alderperson John Spotloe

**DECLARATION OF QUORUM** by Mayor Doug Lafary

**CLERKS REPORT/MINUTES:** Cindy Goddard. Announced the IDPH Fluoride award for perfect compliance in 2021 for 12 consecutive months.

Alderperson Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of April 12, 2022, second by Alderperson Clark roll call vote, the motion carried all ayes.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Debbie Brown. No Treasurer’s report.

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT:** Attorney Nathan Collins. Nothing at this time.

**ENGINEER’S REPORT:** Keith Plavec. No Engineer present.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS:** Bill Bradley and George Cox, and Allen Tippey, all from same neighborhood. Mr. Bradley said he has a lot of trash around in his neighborhood and getting wild animals. Soon the Mayor would like to discuss an all town clean up again. Their neighbor burns at all hours especially at night. There is a burn ordinance that a fire is to be out by 5:00 p.m. The neighbor brings in garbage from other towns now to burn. Alderperson Ward said he needs to call police and sign a complaint when he is burning. George Cox said old van with no plates sits in that area also. Allen Tippey lives next door to this person and said he brings garbage from Canton and this neighbor has a mental illness. Alderperson Miller said there are plenty of people that would help clean this area up. Allen Tippey asked if fines could be increased? Alderperson Miller said most of time fines will not help. It was suggested to call the fire department. Mayor Lafary said now it has become a health issue so something WILL BE DONE.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Insurance/Zoning – Alderperson Clark: Nothing to report.

Sewer – Alderperson Spotloe: Absent

Streets & Allies – Alderperson Miller: Nothing to report.

Police/ESDA – Alderperson Ward: Nothing to report.

Water – Alderperson Miller: Nothing at this time.

Utilities/Publications – Alderperson Long nothing in utilities.

Public Buildings & Grounds –Alderperson Long: Working on the same ongoing projects. Alderperson Clark said there needs to be trash can by the food box next to the Visitors Center.

Tourism – Alderman Pascal: Music in the Park starts in June all booked up 10 weeks of music. New Concession Stand almost ready.

Tax Increment Financing – Alderperson Spotloe: Absent

Citizens Committee – Amanda Smith Did not get more money for Blacksmith Shop. Looks good for the grant from Cheri Bustos’s office regarding water infrastructure funding, it could be used for a new clay valve, and generator.

The Cannons from in front of the Fulton County Courthouse are getting redone, getting paid by the American Legion. They will be returned soon.

Christmas Committee - Kenny Haacke – Spaghetti dinner at VFW this coming Saturday night starting at 5:00 p.m. they are cooking and furnishing the food, desserts will be donated. Mayor Lafary and Kenney will deliver. Silent auction taking place. Meet at 4:30 on Friday, and Saturday at 3:00.

**WORKS DIRECTOR’S REPORT** – Evinn Palmer Director – Still working on grants, regarding streets they have been cutting brush, has someone to cut the ditches, getting Catholic

Cemetery Road ready. Mayor asked about summer help, not sure yet. Alderperson Ward said Evinn has been doing a good job and has good ideas. Alderperson Miller said we are lucky to have our own water system. Wants a water committee meeting to meet at the well fields to see how the water works and where it comes from. And, also need to do that with sewer. Public is also invited to these tours.

Alderperson Long wants alderman to think about the PTO situation, if not used they lose. Evinn is losing his because he couldn't get them used. Would like to change so employees get paid for them if they don't use them. Will be on next agenda to discuss.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Approve Annual Appropriation Ordinance FY23 – No public comments or questions at the public meeting at 6:00 p.m. Motion by Alderperson Long to approve the Annual Appropriation ordinance for FY23, second by Alderperson Clark, roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Approve curbside recycling contract with Eagle Enterprises Recycling, Inc. – It has been 11 years. Trying to get this updated and renewed, they need to raise the price explained Adam from Eagle Enterprises. They require 165 homes which is 15% in the city. Part of reason for increase they need more CDL drivers, hard to keep staffed. Adam Jaquat explained the increase. Some different options are Canton the company bills the customers, Cuba same as us water department bills the customers. Alderperson Miller concerned because city has lost money for years. City hall, churches, schools, those are free at this time. If individuals are billed from company they would have to start paying. Originally the city was close to 165. Mayor wants recycling explained. Sorted in Galva, rest to Bloomington. They may send out letters to the customers. Table at this time.

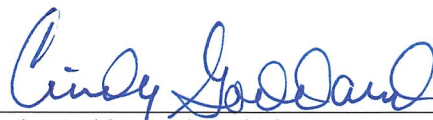
#### PRESENTATION OF BILLS:

Alderperson Ward made a motion to approve all bills properly endorsed; Seconded by Alderperson Clark roll call vote, the motion carried with all ayes.

CLOSED SESSION: No closed session

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Alderperson Miller made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.; Seconded by Alderperson Clark motion carried all ayes.

  
Cindy Goddard, City Clerk