LEWISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 13, 2026

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

3. INVOCATION: na

4. ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Alderperson Sally Clark, Jim Long, Brad Ward, Kendall Miller, David Levingston, John Spotloe and Mayor Cindy Goddard. Also present: Public Director Evinn Palmer and Police Chief Chris Ford.

5. DECLARATION OF QUORUM by Mayor Cindy Goddard

6. CLERKS MINUTES/REPORT: Mary Shawgo. Nothing to report.
   Alderperson Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of September 22, 2026, second by Alderperson Clark, the motion carried all ayes.

7. TREASURER REPORT: Debbie Brown. Nothing to report.

8. ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Nathan Collins. Nothing to report.

9. ENGINEER'S REPORT: Keith Plavec. Nothing to report.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS: Mayor Cindy Goddard stated there is a 5-minute limit. Mark (no last name) asked if the water leak at 1204 N. Main was checked and if there were any leaks. Public Works Director Evinn Palmer stated it was checked and there were no leaks. Mark also asked about missing/endangered persons process and what the communication plan between the police and community, other than Facebook. Police Chief, Chris Ford, explained that social media is used to communicate to the public information that can be released and if volunteers are needed for a search. He also explained that law enforcement does not want the public walking around assisting if not requested due to safety concerns. Refer to recordings for more discussion.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

    1. Finance/Insurance/Zoning – Alderperson Clark: Nothing to report.
    2. Sewer – Alderperson Levingston: Nothing to report.
    3. Streets & Allies – Alderperson Long: Nothing to report.
    4. Police/ESDA – Alderperson Ward: Nothing to report.

    - Police Chief, Chris Ford, shared the following: There is still one opening on department and received four applicants. The truck ordered from year ago arrived. Porter Park issue resolved and the other individual was taken to shelter. Cleaned up properties and worked on city ordinances violations. Inventory taken and completed.
    - Dennis Pasley shared the following: The Outdoor Warning Sirens grant is still in progress. Discussions on the antenna placement to the new building continue. He has been director for 1.5 years without compensation and learned from others that in the past other directors were compensated. Mayor Goddard explained not in current budget but can be discussed. ESDA training continues with high school kids soon to be 18 years old.
    - Alderperson Long shared the need to allow Dennis Pasley to make necessary purchases without creating a bottleneck.

5. Water – Alderperson Miller: Nothing to report.
6. Utilities/Publications – Alderperson Long: Nothing to report.
7. Public Buildings & Grounds – Alderperson Long: Nothing to report.
8. Tourism – Alderman Miller: Alderman Miller mentioned:
    - Fall Festival was a success, both weekends.
    - Next is the Halloween Weiner Roast October 31st from 3-430p at Ratcliff.
    - Chamber of Commerce Haunted Halls at Central School is on October 31st 5:00-7:00pm and Trick or Treat is from 5-8p.

    Mayor Cindy Goddard mentioned:

    - City Hall Open House all day on October 27, 2026. Same day of next chamber meeting.
9. Tax Increment Financing – Alderperson Spotloe: Nothing to report.
10. Christmas Committee – Kenny Haacke: Absent. Mayor Cindy Goddard mentioned there will be a meeting a week from Thursday at 4p. at City Hall building.
11. Economic Development Committee – Erin Ahart. Nothing to report.

12. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Evinn Palmer Director. Nothing to report.

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Nothing to report.

14. NEW BUSINESS:
    A. Discuss/Act Upon Garbage Bids. Discussions and concerns shared. Listen to online audio recording for details. Alderperson Miller made a motion to table the topic and seconded by Alderperson Levingston, motion carried all ayes.
    B. Discuss/Act Upon ICRMT Insurance Renewal Proposal. Alderperson Ward made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderperson Miller. Roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.
    C. Discuss Appraisal on property at 119 S Adams. Appraisal for the old City Hall building came in at $110k. The act upon sale will be on the next agenda. No objection to the sale.

15. PRESENTATION OF BILLS: Alderperson Miller made a motion to approve all bills properly endorsed and seconded by Alderperson Clark. Roll call vote, motion carried with all ayes.

16. CLOSED SESSION: na

17. ADJOURNMENT: Alderperson Miller made a motion to adjourn at 730 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Long, motion carried all ayes.

Mary Shawgo

Mary Shawgo, City Clerk