

**Red Lion Borough Council Work Session Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Members present**

Amy Lau  
Cindy Barley  
Brady Greer  
Dennis Klinedinst  
Mark Holloway  
Evan Hiester  
Tony Musso

**Others present**

Dan Shaw, Borough Manager  
Michelle Poole, Asst. Borough Mgr.  
Mayor Gene Lau  
Jeff Shue, Engineer  
Brett Patterson, Public Works  
Brian Pomraning, Public Works

**Visitors**

Jordan Ilyes  
Aleksa Keithan  
Todd Newman & Luanne Brock-Newman

1. Council Work Session began @ 7:00pm.
2. **Visitors**—Jordan Ilyes was present to give updates on the LDP for the other building on N. Franklin & to discuss Jeff Shue’s questions/concerns. Jordan also mentioned the ribbon cutting ceremony & soft opening of Franklin Street Social, to be held Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at 3pm.
3. **Parks & Recreation**—Mrs. Lau reported:
  - Santa’s Shanty is scheduled for Friday & Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> at the Leo Center in the square from 6:30-8:30pm, and also Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm.
  - Santa’s Breakfast will be held Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-10:30am, followed by Santa riding on the Fire Truck through the Borough.
4. **Municipal Services**—Mr. Klinedinst reported:
  - Edgewood Tank should be completed by mid-December.
  - Vulcan Road water line will need to be replaced/repared as the pipe going into the ground is full of muck.
  - Water & Sewer rates will see an increase of 1.75mils.
  - Denny suggested Council consider abandoning Redco Avenue because of the road condition. He spoke to Glenn Rexroth who is willing to accept responsibility for Redco as he did Boxwood some years ago. More thought & discussion can be done about this.
  - York County Solid Waste Authority is increasing their tipping fee by \$4/ton as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Penn Waste will be increasing their rate per home by \$5.79/qtr. Quarterly trash bills are going up to \$92.97/qtr.
  - There’s an issue with Met Life regarding municipal employees’ 457B plan. If they don’t communicate with Dan Shaw, the Authority Solicitor should get involved.
5. **Public Works**—Mr. Klinedinst reported:
  - Brett has a list of equipment to be sold. If Council agrees, this can be acted on next week.
6. **Public Safety**—Mr. Holloway:
  - Mrs. Barley reported that York County will be adopting a resolution for a Hazard Mitigation Plan, which municipalities will need to adopt within a year after the County does. Dan had emailed a copy to Council for their review. Discussion was held.
7. **Planning, Zoning & Economic Development**—Mr. Hiester & Dan Shaw reported:
  - Planning Commission continues to work on revisions to the Borough’s Sign Ordinance.
  - Borough’s Fee Schedule—staff will be reviewing to update the fees, where necessary.
  - Public Hearing will be held at next week’s meeting (at 7:10pm) for the Zoning Ordinance Map Amendment for 20 E. Prospect Street, to rezone from Industrial to Residential Town.

### **Economic Development**

- Mural at Nitchkey Field is now complete.
  - Jen Dettinger will be working on a planting plan, beginning in 2025.
  - York County Land Bank Authority contacted Evan with a suggestion that Dan and/or Michelle contact Kim Hogeman (with York County Economic Alliance) if there are other Borough properties that fall into the blighted property status. Discussion was held.
  - Committee discussion was held on youth engagement in the community. Evan contacted the Rotary Club who confirmed they're working with the school district to create service projects for high school students in an effort to interact with the community.
  - Another Farmer's Market is being discussed for next year, to be held at Nitchkey Field.
8. **Administration & Finance**—the following was reported/discussed:
- Discussion was held on the 2025 Budget. Detailed discussion was held on the Park budget, necessary repairs & improvements, as well as options for the Splash Pad. Road construction projects & Liquid Fuels revenue was discussed too. Thoughts are to hold off on road projects until 2026. Designation of tax money & fire tax money was also discussed.
  - Discussion was held on obtaining reports from QuickBooks to keep Council updated.
  - Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement for Public Works employees will be on next week's agenda for action. The employees have already approved the contract. More discussion was held on insurance benefits, pay increases, etc. for non-union employees.
  - As of December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Klugh Animal Services will charge a \$250 retainer.
  - 2025 ambulance subscription for the Borough is \$175.
  - The Borough received payment from the insurance company for the damaged streetlight on S. Main Street. The driver did not have insurance, but the Borough's insurance covered it.
  - Still waiting for the generator to be hooked up at the Borough Offices. The gas company may need to install a larger meter.
  - The contractor for the Municipal Parking Lot work would like to place parking blocks against the Zarfos building instead of replacing the guide rail. There's a concern that, in the event someone forcefully hits the guide rail, the retaining wall may be compromised due to the placement of the guide rail posts.
  - Golden Connections sent a thank you letter for the Borough's \$4,000 donation.
9. **Adjournment**—With no further business before Council, Work Session adjourned @ 8:52pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Stacy Myers, Recording Secretary