

Borough Council Meeting Minutes

September 28th, 2026

Municipal Building Council Chambers

The Council meeting opened at 4:30 PM with Borough Council President Matt Moore presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Councilman Bob Bartlett. Prayer was recited by Lisa Knudson.

ROLL CALL

Matt Moore, Scott Gutshall, Lisa Knudson, Larry "Heavy" Searer and Jacob "Jake" Flood and Jim Steele were present. Police Chief Dave Clemens, Fire Chief Bob Douglas and Mayor Deb Bargo were also absent.

AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNCIL AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

- a. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes: September 14, 2026

On a motion made by Scott Gutshall and seconded by Lisa Knudson, Council unanimously voted to approve the September 14th Council Meeting Minutes .

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Request for easement for relocation of Penelec Pole

On a motion made by Scott Gutshall and seconded by Lisa Knudson, Council unanimously voted to approve the easement and relocation of the Penelec Pole.

- b. Resolution to appoint Russ Rager to Police Advisory Board

On a motion made by Larry "Heavy" Searer and seconded by Jim Steele, Council by roll call voted to approve the Resolution to appoint Russ Rager to Police Advisory Board.

ROLL CALL

Lisa Knudson	Yea
Jacob Flood	Yea
Heavy Searer	Yea
Scott Gutshall	Yea
Matt Moore	Yea
Jim Steele	Yea

c. UGI Request for Street Excavation Permit

On a motion made by Larry "Heavy" Searer and seconded by Lisa Knudson, Council unanimously voted to approve UGI request for a street excavation permit.

d. Request for Letter of Support for LPD Body-Worn Camera Grant Application

After some discussion it was decided that the only funds needed would be in kind funds with the exception of \$1200 or the camera docks. On a motion made by Scott Gutshall and seconded by Lisa Knudson, Council unanimously voted to approve the letter of support for LPD grant application for Body-Worn Cameras.

AMMENDMENTS TO COUNCIL AGENDA

On a motion made by Lisa Knudson and seconded by Scott Gutshall, Council unanimously voted to add the Parade and Trick or Treat date and time for discussion.

a. Facility use/ Road Closure: Halloween Parade October 28th

On a motion made by Lisa Knudson and seconded by Jim Steele, Council unanimously voted to approve the road closure for the Halloween parade on October 28th.

b. Lewistown Borough Trick or Treat

On a motion made by Lisa Knudson and seconded by Jim Steele, Council unanimously voted to approve Lewistown Borough Trick or Treat night to be October 31st from 6-8 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council went into executive session at 4:40 PM to discuss personnel.

Council came out of executive session at 5:06 PM.

ADDITIONS TO THE COUNCIL AGENDA

On a motion made by Lisa Knudson and seconded by Larry "Heavy" Searer , Council unanimously voted to add the termination of Employee A to the Agenda.

On a motion made by Larry "Heavy" Searer and seconded by Jim Steele, Council by Roll call voted to terminate Employee A effective 10/2/2026.

ROLL CALL

Lisa Knudson	Yea
Jacob Flood	Yea
Heavy Searer	Yea
Scott Gutshall	Yea
Matt Moore	Yea
Jim Steele	Yea

On a motion made by Lisa Knudson and seconded by Jacob "Jake" Flood to open the floor for nominations for Vice President of Council.

Lisa Knudson nominated Scott Gutshall

Jacob "Jake" Flood seconded the nomination

With no other nominations, on a motion made by Jim Steele and seconded by Lisa Knudson, the floor was closed.

On a motion made by Lisa Knudson and seconded by Jim Steele, Council by Roll Call voted Scott Gutshall as Vice President of Borough Council.

ROLL CALL

Lisa Knudson	Yea
Jacob Flood	Yea
Heavy Searer	Yea
Scott Gutshall	Yea
Matt Moore	Yea
Jim Steele	Yea

- a. Approval to hire candidate A as Borough Manager.

On a motion made by Larry "Heavy" Searer and seconded by Lisa Knudson, Council by Roll Call voted to hire candidate A as Borough Manager.

ROLL CALL

Lisa Knudson	Yea
Jacob Flood	Yea
Heavy Searer	Yea
Scott Gutshall	Yea
Matt Moore	Yea
Jim Steele	Yea

On a motion made by Lisa Knudson and seconded by Jim Steele, Council by unanimous vote adjourned the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by Matt Moore at 5:11 PM.

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(Vice) President, Lewistown Borough Council

(Seal)

ATTEST: A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ann Gansner", written in a cursive style.

(Asst.) Borough Secretary