

EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION and SPECIAL MEETING
589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837
May 24, 2021

Chairman Gray called the Board of Supervisors Work Session and Special Meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

East Buffalo Township representatives: Chairman Char Gray; Vice Chairman James Knight; Supervisor Matt Schumacher; Township Manager Stacey Kifolo; and Secretary/Treasurer Jolene Helwig.

Lewisburg Borough representatives: Jordi Comas; Judy Wagner; and Michael Derman.

Members of the public participating via the virtual meeting format: Kathleen Evans; Marilyn Murphy; Matt Farrand (Standard Journal); Meghan Beck; and Paul Yost.

Members of the public participating in-person: Stephen Everson.

Chairman Gray announced that an Executive Session was held on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 6:00 PM to discuss personnel matters.

Motion by Chairman Gray and seconded by Vice Chairman Knight to approve the May 10, 2021 meeting minutes as distributed.

Gray-y, Knight-y, Schumacher-y; Motion Carried

The purpose of the special meeting was to continue the discussion with Lewisburg Borough representatives about the provisions of a draft renewal of the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department. The discussion focused on Commission member composition; Commission legal and financial administration; Commission actions that require additional municipal approvals; a review of the municipal allocation; the method of payments by the municipalities; the allocation of pension assets in the event of dissolution; and dispute resolution. The committee agreed that the completely updated draft of the IGA was ready for both municipalities to review. No official action was taken by the Township Board of Supervisors.

The committee did not establish a future meeting date but noted that a July 31, 2021 deadline for terminating the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between East Buffalo Township and the Borough of Lewisburg was still pending.

Public Comments:

- Stephen Everson, EBT resident, asked if the township had more information on the paving and seal coat postcards mailed to the residents. Township Manager Kifolo stated that she would post the information to the website. She stated the timeframe is anywhere from now to mid-July for the paving and mid-July to September for the seal coating work.
- Meghan Beck, Susquehanna Valley Community Education Project, asked the supervisors if there were any follow up questions from the presentation during the Monday, May 10th meeting. Chairman Gray noted that she had some questions about the revenue projections for the area and stated that she would call Meghan to talk in more detail.

- Matt Farrand (Standard Journal) emailed asking for verification on what was agreed to regarding funding of the police department. Chairman Gray stated that for the first two years of the contract they would bill based on budget, year three they would bill based on actual expenses. Gray stated that there is a split of cost of 52% to East Buffalo Township and 48% to the Lewisburg Borough. Vice Chairman Knight stated that the funding formula would be based on population for future growth.

Motion by Chairman Gray and seconded by Vice Chairman Knight to adjourn at 7:24 PM.


Jolene D. Helwig, Secretary


Char Gray, Chairman


James Knight, Vice Chairman


Matt Schumacher, Supervisor