



LEBANON BOROUGH COMMON COUNCIL
Wednesday, February 19, 2025
7:30 pm

The Regular Meeting of the Lebanon Borough Common Council was called to order by Council President Burton at 7:30 pm. The meeting was held in person and virtually.

The meeting was convened in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act of 1975; notice was sent to three local newspapers and posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor James Pittinger.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Please join me in a moment of silence for all
US service members and First Responders who have given their lives for our country.

On behalf of a grateful nation, they are truly heroes.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Pittinger, Council President Burton, Councilman, Berger, Councilman
Crawford and Councilman Kirchofer, Councilwoman Porcello and Councilwoman
Baldinger

Absent: ,

Also, Present: Administrator/Clerk Karen M Romano RMC,

Borough Attorney Joseph Novak Esq.

RESOLUTION #56-2025:

**Councilman Berger made a motion to approve Resolution 56-2025 the Consent Agenda.
With a second by Council President Burton.**

**BOROUGH OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #56-2025

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are routine by the Governing Body of Lebanon Borough and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these matters. If discussion is desired that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

1. Animal Control
2. Fire Dept Report
3. Comcast right-a-way

Introduced and adopted:

February 19, 2025.

Ayes: Burton, Berger, Crawford, Kirchofer, Porcello, Baldinger

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent:

LEBANON BOROUGH COUNCIL

Richard J. Burton, Council President

ATTEST: _____

CERTIFICATION

I, Karen M. Romano, Lebanon Borough Administrator/ Clerk hereby certify that this resolution was duly adopted by the Borough of Lebanon Council at a meeting duly held on February 19, 2025, force and effect as of the date I have subscribed my signature.

Date: February 19, 2025

Karen M. Romano, RMC
Borough Administrator/Clerk

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

YES: Council President Burton, Councilman Berger, Councilman Crawford, Councilman Kirchofer, Councilwoman Porcello, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Abstain:

Absent:

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:

Council President Burton made a motion to open the public session. Councilman Berger seconded the motion with the unanimous approval of Council the floor was opened.

Trooper Tony De Lorenzia
Traffic report:
6 accidents

10 operations stop

Steve Wells requested RVMC events be listed on the electronic sign. Administrator Romano stated she would be happy to list RVMC events.

Joe Hauck asked when Brightspeed will contract with Customers. Administrator Romano stated They will send out flyers with all the information. She was not sure of the timing.

There being no further public comment Council President Burton made a motion to close the public session. Councilman Berger seconded the motion with the unanimous approval of Council the floor was closed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Crawford made a motion to the January Regular and Executive minutes seconded by Councilman Berger.

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

YES: Council President Burton, Councilman Berger, Councilman Crawford, Councilman Kirchofer, Councilwoman Porcello, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Abstain:

Absent:

Mayor Pittinger Opened Open Public Session for Ordinance 2025-01

Councilman Crawford made a motion to approve the opening the public session seconded by Councilman Berger.

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

YES: Council President Burton, Councilman Berger, Councilman Crawford, Councilman Kirchofer, Councilwoman Porcello, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Abstain:

Absent:

No comments were made.

ORDINANCE; 2025-01 CAP ORDINANCE ADOPTION

Councilman Crawford made a motion to adopt the CAP Ordinance 2025-01 With a second from Councilman Kirchofer.

**BOROUGH OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE #2025 - 01

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE BOROUGH OF LEBANON
IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO EXCEED THE INDEX RATE FOR THE 2025 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing body of the Borough of Lebanon in the County of Hunterdon finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2025 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing body hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$13,245.04 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Governing body hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing body of Borough of Lebanon, in the County of Hunterdon, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2025 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Lebanon shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$46,357.65, and that the CY 2025 municipal budget for the Borough of Lebanon be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Vote after public hearing and upon final adoption:

Burton_____

Berger_____

Crawford_____

Kirchofer_____

Porcello____

Baldinger_____

Ordinance approved by the Governing.

Body and presented to the Mayor on

_____, 2025

Veto in Whole or Part:

Approved:

_____ {or}

James Pittinger, Mayor

James Pittinger, Mayor

Date:

Date:

Returned to Borough Clerk with statement attached on _____, 2025

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the above ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Lebanon on January 15, 2025, and will be considered for final passage after public hearing at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Lebanon to be held on February 19, 2025 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, located at 6 High Street, Lebanon, New Jersey

Karen M. Romano, Borough Administrator

**BOROUGH OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE 2025-01

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE BOROUGH OF LEBANON
IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO EXCEED THE INDEX RATE FOR THE 2025 BUDGET**

NOTICE is hereby given that the above Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Lebanon, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, held in the Municipal Building on the 15th day of January 2025, and the same came up for final passage at a meeting of the said Borough Council on the 19th day of February, 2025 at which time, after persons interested were given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, the same was passed and will be in full force in the Borough according to law by order of the Borough Council of the Borough of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey.

Karen M. Romano, RMC
Borough Administrator/ Clerk

INTRODUCED: January 15, 2025
ADOPTED: February 19, 2025

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

YES: Council President Burton, Councilman Berger, Councilman Crawford, Councilman Kirchofer, Councilwoman Porcello, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Abstain:

Absent:

RESOLUTION #57-2025:

Councilman Berger made a motion to approve Resolution 57-2025. With a second by Councilman Crawford.

**BOROUGH OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #57-2025
LOCAL AID RECREATION GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lebanon desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$100,000.00 to carry out the project Complete Build of a Recreation Storage Barn/ Shaded Pavilion, and ADA compliant Playground

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, 1) that the Borough of Lebanon does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and, 2) recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between _The Borough of Lebanon and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED ,that the persons whose names, titles, and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

_____ (signature)
Karen Romano, Administrator/Clerk

(signature) _____
Richard J Burton, Council President

CERTIFICATION: I, Karen Romano, the Administrator/ Clerk_,) of The Borough of Lebanon hereby certify that at a meeting of the Governing Body held on February 19, 2025 the above

RESOLUTION was duly adopted. AFFIX GOV'T, CORPORATE OR
_____ NOTARY SEAL

Introduced and adopted: February 19, 2025

Ayes: Burton, Berger, Crawford, Kirchofer, Porcello, Baldinger

Nays: 0

Absent:

LEBANON BOROUGH COUNCIL

Abstain:

Richard J. Burton, Council President

ATTEST: _____

CERTIFICATION

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Date: February 19, 2025

Karen M. Romano, RMC
Borough Administrator/Clerk

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

YES: Council President Burton, Councilman Berger, Councilman Crawford, Councilman Kirchofer, Councilwoman Porcello, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Abstain:

Absent:

RESOLUTION #58-2025:

Councilman Berger made a motion to approve Resolution 58-2025. With a second by Council President Burton.

**BOROUGH OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #58-2025

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the CFO is hereby authorized to make the following payment for redemption of tax sale a certificate. (also return Premium)

Block	Lot	Qual	Cert #	Name/Address	Amount
	4	5	24-00005	BALA Partners, LLC	
					\$1,339.78
				1 American Lane, Suite 220	

Greenwich, CT 06831

Premium \$ 5,600.00

Introduced and adopted: February 19, 2025

Ayes: Burton, Berger, Crawford, Kirchofer, Porcello, Baldinger

Nays:

Absent:

LEBANON BOROUGH COUNCIL

Richard J. Burton, Council President

ATTEST: _____

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Karen M. Romano, RMC
Borough Administrator/Clerk

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

YES: Council President Burton, Councilman Berger, Councilman Crawford, Councilman Kirchofer, Councilwoman Porcello, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Abstain:

Absent:

RESOLUTION #59-2025:

Councilman Berger made a motion to approve Resolution 59-2025. With a second by Council President Burton.

**BOROUGH OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #59-2025

Volunteer Tuition Credit Program

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Lebanon in the County of Hunterdon, deems it appropriate to enhance the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters and emergency medical volunteers in the Borough of Lebanon; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has enacted P.L. 1998, c 145 which permits municipal governments to allow their firefighting and emergency medical volunteers to take advantage of the Volunteer Tuition Credit Program at no cost to the municipal government.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lebanon in the County of Hunterdon that the Volunteers Tuition Credit Program as set forth in P.L. 1998,

c145 is herewith adopted for the volunteer firefighters and emergency medical volunteers in the municipality; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough of Lebanon Administrator is herewith delegated the responsibility to administer the program and is authorized to enter into all agreements and to maintain files of all documents as may be required under P.L. 1998, c 145, a copy of which is herewith made part of the resolution.

Introduced and adopted: February 19, 2025

Ayes: Burton, Berger, Crawford, Kirchofer, Porcello, Baldinger

Abstain:

Nays: 0

Absent:

LEBANON BOROUGH COUNCIL

Richard J. Burton, Council President

ATTEST: _____

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Karen M. Romano, RMC
Borough Administrator/Clerk

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YES: Council President Burton, Councilman Berger, Councilman Crawford, Councilman Kirchofer, Councilwoman Porcello, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Abstain:

Absent:

RESOLUTION #60-2025:

Councilman Berger made a motion to approve Resolution 60-2025. With a second by Council President Burton.

**BOROUGH OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #60-2025

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT PUBLISHING LEGAL NOTICES

ON OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT WEBSITES

WHEREAS, the sunset provision of March 1, 2025, imposed under P.L. 2024 c.106 is fast approaching in what was a temporary solution that allowed local governments to comply with the public notice requirements under the law in time for annual reorganization meetings in January; and,

WHEREAS, local government officials serve as the stewards of property taxpayer dollars and should no longer be required to subsidize the newspaper industry with revenues collected from publishing legal notices in the press; and,

WHEREAS, long before NJ Advanced Media's announcement that it was terminating daily print publications in January of 2025, local government officials found it increasingly difficult to comply with the public notice requirements under the law as the media has become almost exclusively digitized and struggled to retain staff, resources, and publications; and,

WHEREAS, legislation that will authorize local governments to publish legal notices on a local government's official website will streamline an antiquated and overly burdensome process and save valuable time, resources, and property taxpayer dollars; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lebanon Borough does in fact, hereby urge state leaders to pass legislation that will authorize municipalities, counties, school districts, and all local governments to publish legal notices in a clear, transparent, and timely manner on a local government's official website.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be sent to Governor Phil Murphy, Senate President Nicholas Scutari, Speaker of the General Assembly Craig Coughlin, Senator, Cory Booker, Andy Kim, Thomas Kean Jr, Assemblymembers Erik Peterson, Douglas J Steinhardt, John DiMaio, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

Introduced and adopted: February 19, 2025

Ayes: Burton, Berger, Crawford, Kirchofer, Porcello, Baldinger

Abstain:

Nays: 0

Absent:

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NO:

Abstain:

Absent:

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES: Councilman Berger made a motion to approve the Bill list for February 2025. Council President Burton seconded the motion

List of Bills - (All Funds) Vendor	Description	Payment	Check Total
Current Fund			
955 - BALA Partners, LLC	PO 14054 Redemption of Certificate 24-00005, Bloc	6,939.78	
6,939.78	745 - BALANEY CONTRACTING LLC	PO 14002 School: 1/16/2025 Snow 0.5"	
60.00			
	PO 14003 Borough: 1/16/2025 Snow 0.5"	1,278.00	
	PO 14004 School: 1/19/2025 Snow 4.7"	307.00	
	PO 14005 Borough: 1/19/2025 Snow 4.7"	4,024.00	
	PO 14023 School: 2/8/2025 Snow 1.1"	243.50	5,912.50
745 - BALANEY CONTRACTING LLC	PO 14024 Borough: 2/8/2025 Snow 1.1"	3,660.50	
	PO 14026 School: 2/6/2025 Snow 0.4"	243.50	
	PO 14027 Borough: 2/6/2025 Snow 0.4"	3,660.50	
	PO 14038 School: 2/2/2025 snow 0.6"	250.50	7,815.00
745 - BALANEY CONTRACTING LLC	PO 14039 Borough: 2/2/2025 Snow 0.6"	1,439.50	
	PO 14056 School: (2/11/2025 Snow 1.3") & (2/15/20	427.00	
	PO 14057 Borough: (2/11/2025 Snow 1.3") & (2/15/2	5,391.00	
	7,257.50		
26 - BOROUGH OF LEBANON - PETTY CASH	PO 14022 Replenish Petty Cash	191.69	191.69
966 - Borough of Millstone	PO 14049 SHared Service for March 2025 tax/financ	3,129.88	3,129.88
964 - CLEARY GIACOBBE ALFIERE JACOBS	PO 14055 Tax Appeals: New York Life Ins. Co.-1687	76.00	76.00
247 - COMCAST	PO 14025 6 High Street: Phone/Internet 1/1/2025	923.37	923.37
860 - Community Grants, Planning & Housin	PO 13998 Administrative Agent services for Afford	304.00	304.00
652 - CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY INC	PO 14058 Electricity: 11/14/2024 - 12/12/2024 & 1	1,013.44	1,013.44
912 - De Lage Landen Financial Services, INC	PO 14029 Copy Lease: 2/1/2025-2/28/2025	140.00	140.00
39 - ELIZABETHTOWN GAS	PO 14018 Natural Gas: 6 High Street 12/16/2024 -	1,040.09	1,040.09
39 - ELIZABETHTOWN GAS	PO 14019 Natural Gas: 96 Main Street 12/16/2024 -	436.45	436.45
978 - Emily Eustis	PO 13994 Historical Signs	350.00	350.00
928 - FIRE & SECURITY TECHNOLOGIES INC	PO 14060 Quarterly Inspections and Service 2025	542.50	542.50
153 - HOME DEPOT CREDIT SVCS	PO 14047 Streets & Roads	82.36	82.36
16 - JCP&L	PO 13995 Electricity	946.75	
	PO 14061 Electricity	843.52	1,790.27
597 - Jersey Elevator, LLC	PO 14040 Monthly Maintenance: February 2025	167.28	167.28

167 - KAREN ROMANO	PO 14036 Cell Phone Reimbursement February 2025	100.00	
	PO 14048 Reimbursement: Mileage for LDF Seminar 1	52.64	
		152.64	
167 - KAREN ROMANO	PO 14050 Costco Reimbursement: Building & Grounds	265.21	
	PO 14059 Reimbursement: Microsoft Services	352.00	
		617.21	
979 - Kathleen Seelig	PO 14010 Reimbursement: Recreation - Halloween Ho	91.51	91.51
929 - KYLE MCMANUS ASSOCIATES LLC	PO 14045 Affordable Housing	412.50	412.50
559 - LANZA & LANZA LLP	PO 14044 Litigation Clinton Water	240.50	240.50
59 - LEBANON BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION	PO 14009 Local School Tax February 2025	299,189.60	
299,189.60			
119 - LEBANON FIRE COMPANY	PO 14014 2025 Annual Contribution: February 2025	10,000.00	10,000.00
951 - NEW JERSEY HILLS MEDIA GROUP	PO 14031 Advertising: Meeting Notice 2025	159.96	159.96
253 - NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE	PO 13997 Billable Police Services (Hourly Basis)	4,113.72	4,113.72
54 - NJ ADVANCE MEDIA	PO 14006 Advertising: Resolution #13-2025	131.88	
	PO 14007 Advertising: Resolution#15-2025	55.48	
	PO 14008 Advertising: 2025 meeting dates (all mee	49.48	
	PO 14020 Advertising: Resolution #53-2025 (Pay-to	51.88	
		288.72	
31 - NOVAK & NOVAK LLC	PO 14037 Legal Services Retainer February 2025	5,157.00	5,157.00
910 - Office Concepts, Inc.	PO 13993 Copier: 1/15/2025 - 2/14/2025	133.40	133.40
900 - Quadient Finance USA, Inc.	PO 14021 Postage Machine Rental	127.92	127.92
20 - QUILL CORPORATION	PO 13999 Office Supplies: Adams 2024 1099-NEC Tax	47.99	
	PO 14000 Office Supplies	88.97	
	PO 14001 Office Supplies / Building & Grounds	80.47	
	PO 14013 Office Supplies / Building & Grounds	114.99	332.42
20 - QUILL CORPORATION	PO 14017 office Supplies	354.64	
	PO 14043 Building & Grounds	61.56	416.20

830 - Republic Services #865	PO 14011 Disposal/Recycling 12/31/2024	1,452.00	1,452.00
115 - RUTGERS UNIVERSITY	PO 13989 FUnd Accounting Course	760.00	760.00
457 - RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY	PO 14015 Clerks Conference	490.00	490.00
457 - RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY	PO 14051 Principles of Financial Management	1,920.00	1,920.00
981 - Sanico Inc.	PO 14030 Municipal Trash / Recycling Service (1/1	11,187.59	11,187.59
176 - SHOPRITE OF HUNTERDON COUNTY	PO 14016 Employees Breakfast	71.83	71.83
540 - STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND	PO 14012 1st Installment of 2025	10,527.50	10,527.50
369 - STICKEL KOENIG & SULLIVAN & DRILL L	PO 13996 Affordable Housing		160.00
	PO 14052 Affordable Housing	770.00	930.00
808 - Thermal Service of New Jersey Inc.	PO 14032 Monthly Billing of PM Service Contract	349.00	349.00
43 - TOWN OF CLINTON	PO 14033 Water Bill: 6 High Street & 96 Main Stre	206.22	206.22
560 - TREASURER-STATE OF NJ	PO 14062 Marriage/Civil Union License: 12/31/2024	50.00	50.00
965 - UNIVOIP INC	PO 14042 Phones: February 2025	64.76	64.76
718 - VIKING PEST CONTROL	PO 14041 Monthly Pest Control: 6 High Street & 96	317.22	317.22
27 - WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NJ INC	PO 13991 Municipal Waste: 12/1/2024 - 12/31/2024	6,980.27	6,980.27
27 - WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NJ INC	PO 14028 Municipal Waste: 1/1/2025 - 1/31/2025	5,750.92	5,750.92

FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS

197 - NEW JERSEY FIRE EQUIPMENT	PO 13990 Fire Equipment	74,975.40	74,975.40
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND			
2 - MGL FORMS-SYSTEMS, LLC	PO 13992 NJ Dog License Tags/Rings	349.00	349.00
321 - NJ DEPT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SVCS	PO 14035 Animal License Fees: January 2025	191.40	191.40

SENIOR CITIZEN FUND

167 - KAREN ROMANO	PO 14050 Costco Reimbursement: Building & Grounds	72.33	72.33
DEVELOPERS ESCROW			
929 - KYLE MCMANUS ASSOCIATES LLC	PO 14046 Town Center	112.50	112.50
980 - Shanti Smith	PO 14034 Reimbursement for Garden Club	447.64	447.64
369 - STICKEL KOENIG & SULLIVAN & DRILL L	PO 14053 Town Center at Lebanon LLC	210.00	210.00

TOTAL
476,960.99

Summary By Account

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT YR	APPROP. YEAR	NON-BUDGETARY	CREDIT
01-101-01-004	[CASH] Current/Operating Fund Checking				400,602.72
01-165-55-000	INTERFUND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE				50.00
01-201-20-100-200	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - OTHER EXPENSE			2,557.76	
01-201-20-130-200	FINANCE - OTHER EXPENSE			4,244.94	
01-201-20-145-200	COLLECTION OF TAXES - OTHER EXPENSE			1,564.94	
01-201-20-155-200	LEGAL SERVICES - OTHER EXPENSE			6,656.00	
01-201-23-210-200	OTHER INSURANCE			10,527.50	
01-201-25-255-200	FIRE DEPT. OTHER EXPENSE			10,000.00	
01-201-26-280-200	PUBLIC WORKS-OTHER EXPENSE			21,067.36	
01-201-26-305-200	REFUSE COLLECTION - OTHER EXPENSE			11,187.59	
01-201-26-310-200	BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS			1,706.71	
01-201-28-370-200	RECREATION			106.59	
01-201-31-430-200	ELECTRICITY - 6 HIGH ST			13.95	
01-201-31-435-200	STREET LIGHTING - OTHER EXPENSE			1,776.32	
01-201-31-440-200	TELEPHONE - OTHER EXPENSE			923.37	
01-201-31-445-200	WATER			206.22	
01-201-31-446-200	NATURAL GAS - OTHER EXPENSE			1,476.54	
01-201-32-465-200	SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL COST			5,750.92	
01-203-20-100-200	(2024) GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - OTHER EXPENSE				93.71
01-203-20-155-200	(2024) LEGAL SERVICES - OTHER EXPENSE				160.00
01-203-21-190-200	(2024) FAIR HOUSING PLAN				304.00
01-203-25-240-200	(2024) PUBLIC SAFETY - OTHER EXPENSE				4,113.72
01-203-26-305-200	(2024) REFUSE COLLECTION - OTHER EXPENSE				1,452.00
01-203-26-310-200	(2024) BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS				421.01
01-203-28-370-200	(2024) RECREATION				118.48
01-203-31-435-200	(2024) STREET LIGHTING - OTHER EXPENSE				1,013.44
01-203-32-465-200	(2024) SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL COST				6,980.27
01-207-55-000	LOCAL SCHOOL TAX				299,189.60

01-266-05-000	DUE TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER	1,339.78
01-266-05-002	DUE TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER	5,600.00

TOTALS FOR Current Fund 79,766.71 14,656.63 306,179.38 400,602.72

Summary By Account

ACCOUNT CREDIT	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT YR	APPROP. YEAR	NON-BUDGETARY	

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02-101-01-000-004	Cash Checking-Investors			0.00	74,975.40
02-201-70-110-008	ARP Fire Fighters Grant	74,975.40			

TOTALS FOR	FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS	74,975.40	0.00	0.00	74,975.40
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12-101-01-004	[CASH] Animal Control Checking- Investors			0.00	540.40
12-299-56-840-100	RESERVE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL			540.40	

TOTALS FOR	ANIMAL CONTROL FUND	0.00	0.00	540.40	540.40
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13-101-01-000-004	[CASH] Senior Citizen Checking- Investors			0.00	72.33
13-299-56-855-100	RESERVE FOR SENIOR CITIZEN			72.33	

TOTALS FOR	SENIOR CITIZEN FUND	0.00	0.00	72.33	72.33
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14-101-01-004	[CASH] Developers Escrow Checking-Unity #1			0.00	770.14
14-776-05-657-26	GARDEN CLUB/BEAUTIFICATION			447.64	
14-776-24-136-84	Town Center at Lebanon-Site Plan			322.50	

TOTALS FOR	DEVELOPERS ESCROW	0.00	0.00	770.14	770.14
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Total to be paid from Fund 01 Current Fund 400,602.72
Total to be paid from Fund 02 FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS 74,975.40
Total to be paid from Fund 12 ANIMAL CONTROL FUND 540.40

Total to be paid from Fund 13 SENIOR CITIZEN FUND	72.33
Total to be paid from Fund 14 DEVELOPERS ESCROW	770.14
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	476,960.99

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

YES: Council President Burton, Councilman Berger, Councilman Crawford, Councilman Kirchofer, Councilwoman Porcello, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Abstain:

Absent:

DISCUSSION:

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:

Council President Burton made a motion to open the public session. Councilman Berger seconded the motion with the unanimous approval of Council the floor was opened.

Joe Hauck asked Council for direction in constructing the 100th Celebration booklet.

There being no further public comment Council President Burton made a motion to close the public session. Councilman Berger seconded the motion with the unanimous approval of Council the floor was closed.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Recreation: Councilwoman Porcello announced a Family Bingo March 14th.

MISCELLANEOUS:

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT TO THE GOVERNING BODY

February 19, 2025

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

- Met with the Committee to review proposed Playground designs
- Reviewed four playground proposals
- Submitted 2025 Recreation NJSAGE grant
- Worked with Sanico to schedule container sizes per resident

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- Met with Public Safety Director to discuss Fire Department budget request
- Met with Public Safety Director to review lights out report

REGISTRAR

- Year-end reports

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

- Working with Stormwater Control Solutions on goals for 2025

CROSSING GUARDS

- Accepted the resignation of Don Freedman.
- Placed Ad for new Crossing Guard

FINANCE

- Working to bring all Escrow platforms up to date
- 2025 Budget preparation

LAND USE BOARD

- Reorganization meeting
- Welcomed Jim Fordham

SENIOR CLUB:

- January Seniors meeting was Canceled due to weather

RECREATION: –Meeting: 1-22-2025

- Summary: Chair for 2025 will be Lisa Porcello and Vice Chair for 2025 will be Carol Ford.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2025

Family Bingo Night	March 14 th 7:00 to 9:00PM / August TBD
Easter Egg Hunt	April 12 th 10:00AM (Rain Date: April 13 th 12:00PM)
Yard Sale	May 17 th 8 to 3 (Rain Date May 18 th)
Music in the Park	TBD
Movie Night	TBD
Halloween Party	October 24 th (Friday) 6:30 at Borough Hall
Tree Lighting	December 7 th
Burning of the Greens	January 6 th , 2025

ENVIRONMENTAL/SHADE TREE

- No Meeting

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

- No meeting

WELCOME BAGS

- Date of Meeting: No Meeting
- New Residents: Welcome Bags will be delivered to 201 Clark Road, 29,83,116 and 136 Conover Terrace

ADJOURN:

Councilman Berger moved, and Councilwoman Baldinger seconded a motion to adjourn, there being no further business to come before Council. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm by unanimous vote.

Karen M. Romano, RMC
Borough Administrator/Clerk

LBCC
2-19-2025

