

City of Lewisburg
Planning Commission Regular Session and Public Hearing
Meeting Minutes June 4, 2026, 5:00 p.m.
942 Washington Street West, Lewisburg, WV
Paul L. Cooley Council Chambers

PRESENT: Chairperson John Little; Commissioners Davis Lewis (Zoom), Margaret Gossard, Valerie Pritt, Helen Harless, Jerry Janiga, and City Manager Misty Hill; Planning and Zoning Officer Nick Sloan; City Clerk Crystal Ratliff

ABSENT: Cheryl Gilman-Dobbs

VISITORS: Chuck Smith

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Little at 5:00 p.m.

APPLICATION FOR CONSIDERATION

Henne Rausenberger, 725 Washington Street West, minor subdivision

Chuck Smith representative for the applicant stated the property owner is requesting to do a minor-subdivision of the property as they are wanting to build themselves a small one-story home on the property. Mr. Smith stated the applicants understand there are some concerns with the application of the minor-subdivision not having the required 35-feet of road frontage but are concerned that making that access will affect the landscaping that has been a large project and a large part of the appeal of the property but if it is what they have to do then they will make the necessary changes.

Chairperson Little stated he understood the concerns, but it is an Ordinance in place to avoid landlocking a property which is not legal for the City to allow. Chairperson Little stated the 35-foot road frontage does not have to run consistent through the property but can start at the road and condensed it to a smaller access for the part of the property they are wishing to subdivide. City Manager Hill stated they would have to either amend the current application or submit a new application to the City.

Mr. Smith stated they would like to amend the current application to remove the Bocce ball court and to add a 35-foot road frontage to the minor-subdivision.

Commissioner Janiga made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pritt to approve the amended application for 725 Washington Street West, minor-subdivision which includes the removal of the Bocce ball court, adding 35-feet of road frontage and submission of a new plat to the City showing the updates. No further discussion. With seven (7) in favor one (1) absent (Gilman-Dobbs) motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM PLANNING AND ZONING OFFICER

Planning and Zoning Officer Sloan stated the online GovWell program is now up and running for the City.

Officer Sloan stated that if anyone sees anything within the city they feel he needs to address or be aware of to please let him know as soon as possible because it is better to address things as early as possible.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Commissioner Gossard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pritt to approve the minutes from the April 2, 2026, meeting as presented. No further discussion. With seven (7) in favor one (1) absent (Gilman-Dobbs) motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Pritt made a motion, seconded by City Manager Hill to adjourn at 5:16 p.m. No further discussion. With seven (7) in favor one (1) absent (Gilman-Dobbs) motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Crystal Ratliff, City Clerk