

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

Work Session

January 26, 2012

6:00 p.m.

Luzerne County Emergency Management Building

185 Water Street

Wilkes-Barre, PA

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Legislative Outreach Committee – Rules (see attachment A)
4. Per Session pay structure for Members of Board of Tax Assessment Appeals
 - a. Proposed \$150.00/hour up to a maximum \$8000.00 per year.
5. Ethics Commission – is a voting procedure necessary at the 1/31/2012 meeting
 - a. Potentially convene to brief Executive Session to discuss
6. Discussion of WIB (Workforce Investment Boards) appointments
7. Diamond City Board appointee from among council members
8. Farmland Preservation Board Appointee
9. Budget Discussion on Mr. Pribula's latest proposal.
10. Other outstanding issues

ATTACHMENT A

Standing Legislative Outreach Committee

1. A five-person Special Committee shall be appointed by the Chair of County Council.
 - a. The Chair of Council has the power to remove Standing Committee members and appoint other members of County Council to fill vacancies.
 - b. The designated members of the Committee shall select a Chair from among their members at the first meeting, as well as decide upon their meeting frequency and location.
 - c. The Chair of the Committee shall call and conduct meetings of the Committee. All meetings shall comply with appropriate Sunshine Law requirements.

The 5 person Committee has the ability to ask interested citizens of the county to participate on the committee. These citizens will not have voting rights, but will be able to work with the committee in all other matters.

2. The purpose of the Special Committee is to:
 - a. Promote necessary changes in local, state, and federal law, policies, and practices affecting Luzerne County and/or its governmental operations,
 - b. Inform local, state, and federal officials of challenges and issues facing the County, and
 - c. Recommend and discuss proposals that can be effectuated on a local, state, or federal level

3. The Special Committee shall:
 - a. Coordinate and consult with the County Manager and other members of the Executive Branch where necessary to effectuate the Committee's purposes
 - b. Keep minutes of the Committee meetings and make periodic reports to Council.
 - c. Complete its work and submit recommendations to Council in a reasonable due course of time.