

LEBANON COMMON COUNCIL – MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

Mayor Matt Gentry; Councilmembers: Keith Campbell, John Copeland, Mike Kincaid, Dick Robertson, Brent Wheat, Morris Jones, Sierra Messenger.

Also present: Legal Counsel Rob Schein and Clerk-Treasurer Tonya Thayer

Mayor Gentry calls the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. Everyone is led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call: All present

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 24, 2020 MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Kincaid to approve said minutes, 2nd by Councilmember Messenger. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

COUNCIL CONSENTS TO ALLOW MAYOR GENTRY TO CONDUCT NEW BUSINESS BEFORE OLD BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS

LEBANON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOND – BEAU CUNNINGHAM – The Mayor states a few things have changed with Indiana Law regarding the Declaration of Fiscal Body for the Library. Beau Cunningham explains the Declaration of Fiscal Body says who we come to as far as our budget is concerned, if it goes into binding review, if it is over 150% (which we have not). If we were to go over the average

growth quotient in our budget requests we would go into binding review (which we have not). There is a form they will fill out and send back and a form that the City Council acknowledges that we are the fiscal body. Beau is here to ask for the City Council's blessing, they are looking to do a General Obligation Bond, our current bond is about to fall off and as best practices we want to keep that going, we have talked to an Architect to find needs like: the roof has been patched numerous times and needs replaced, the gutters need work, the Bond would be for the exterior of the building, for parking lot repair and to update the marquee. They are looking a doing a small bond. Beau introduces Ryan Feters with Baker Tilly the municipal advisor to the Library. The Library wants to issue a 1.7 million bond to be repaid over 4 years with no tax increase, in fact, there is going to be a forced spend down next year in 2021, so they will use a portion of the balance and their debt service funds to make payments on the new bonds and once the older bonds roll off they will start levying for that bond. There will be a slight decrease on the tax rate for next year, but they are going to stay right where they are. Feters explains a graph in the handout. Rob Schein, City Attorney reads the Declaration.

Motion made by Councilmember Wheat to acknowledge the Declaration of the Fiscal Body from the Library Board, 2nd by Councilmember Robertson. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Gentry explains that at the last meeting of City Council Ordinance 2020-08 was tabled. He now asks for a motion to discuss the Ordinance.

Motion by Councilmember Kincaid to take Ordinance 2020-08 off the table, 2nd by Councilmember Messenger. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE 2020-08 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA CONCERNING AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 76 – TRAFFIC SCHEDULES - Kevin Krulik explains in Section 2, Item D.

where it states the Board of Works and City Engineer would have the authority to add stop signs without the Council's approval. The Council would still like to be included in this decision-making process, so Item D. will be removed. Section 2 Item C. 3-way stop sign at Elm Swamp Rd. and Golfside Drive will also be removed. Kevin discusses traffic counts and criteria. Much discussion follows.

Motion by Councilmember Wheat to amend Ordinance 2020-08 by removing the 3-way stop sign at Elm Swamp Rd. and Golfside Dr. as well as the delegation to the City Engineer as to where to put stop signs without conferring with the City Council by removing C. and D. from Section 2 from Ordinance 2020-08, 2nd by Councilmember Kincaid. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

Rob Schein, City Attorney reads Ordinance 2020-08

Motion by Councilmember Copeland to suspend the rules and move forward with 2nd reading on Ordinance 2020-08, 2nd by Councilmember Jones. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

Mayor Gentry asks for Public Comment – no one comes forward.

Motion by Councilmember Wheat to adopt Ordinance 2020-08, 2nd by Councilmember Copeland. Motion carries by a majority vote with Councilmember Kincaid voting nay.

CLAIMS

Motion by Councilmember Robertson to approve claims, 2nd by Councilmember Jones. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Copeland to adjourn, 2nd by Councilmember Messenger. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 28, 2020 at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tonya Thayer Lebanon Clerk – Treasurer