

LEBANON COMMON COUNCIL – MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 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 THE MINUTES OCTOBER 26, 2020

Motion by Councilmember Wheat to approve said minutes, 2nd by Councilmember Robertson. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

SWEARING IN

LPD CHIEF CHAD MORGAN INTRODUCES 3 NEW OFFICERS – MICHAEL CUSTIS, TYLER WININGS AND BREANNA SHIVELY (RESERVE OFFICER). MAYOR GENTRY SWEARS IN 3 NEW OFFICERS.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2020-13 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, INDIANA AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO PAY THE COSTS OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE CITY AND RELATED EXPENSES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND ON ACCOUNT OF THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE BONDS
Attorney Rob Schein reads Ordinance on second reading.

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

Motion by Councilmember Campbell to approve Ordinance 2020-13, 2nd by Councilmember Robertson. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2020-14 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LEBANON, INDIANA TO ISSUE ITS TAXABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS (NEWCOLD PROJECT) AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. Molly Whitehead, EDC Director describes the project. Attorney Rob Schein reads Ordinance on first reading.

SUPPORT LETTER APPROVAL: CR 100 S & CR 400 E ROUNDABOUT PROJECT – City Engineer Kevin Krulik explains the support letter for the improvement of intersection at CR 100 S & CR 400 E. There was a fatality at the intersection about a year ago, at that time it was a controlled County intersection, the County turned it into a 4 way stop which improved the intersection. There were still some site issues, so we are joining forces with the County to look at the intersection. A roundabout has been discussed and with the Henke Development beginning to build in the spring of 2021 near this intersection, they are pleased to have this roundabout addition to improve traffic flow. Krulik states we are looking for support and not to pledge money for the project. The County is applying for a HSI grant which is 90/10 (if awarded) and Henke Development will either pay the 10% or we can collect Traffic Impact fees for the 10% portion.

Motion by Councilmember Kincaid to approve the letter of support, 2nd by Councilmember Copeland. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION 2020-09 – JOINT RESOLUTION EXCHANGING PROPERTY BETWEEN THE CITY OF LEBANON AND LEBANON UTILITIES. Lebanon Utilities General Manager Ed Basquill explains they acquired a parcel at 501 N. Noble St. right next to the Abner Longley Park as part of the 69 KV Project, which is a good parcel of land for future development for the Lebanon Utilities but a better parcel for the Parks Dept, as possibly a potential entrance. We would like to swap a portion of land for a ground storage tank in that area, we need ground storage tanks for our water system in that part of town to support future development. Discussion took place with the Park Board to comply with their plan to connect the paths and we are agreeing to that, but we are still working on legal descriptions on where the lines are going to be (along with L. U. Board approval). Park Board President Laurie Gross asked if L.U. could tear the building down and Basquill said they were planning on tearing it down. City Attorney Rob Schein reads the Resolution.

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

Motion by Councilmember Wheat to approve Resolution 2020-09, 2nd by Councilmember Messenger. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION 2020-10 – A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, INDIANA, FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION. Lt. Jason Hendricks explains the purchase of a used pumper tanker for \$197,500. Attorney Rob Schein reads the Resolution.

Motion by Councilmember Kincaid to approve Resolution 2020-10, 2nd by Councilmember Copeland. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

DOWNTOWN CHRISTMAS LIGHT FUNDING – Councilmember Dick Robertson leads a discussion on purchasing additional Christmas lights for the downtown square. Discussion follows.

Motion by Councilmember Kincaid to fund the Christmas lights (not to exceed) \$25,000 to be paid from Food & Beverage, 2nd by Councilmember Messenger. Motion carries by a unanimous vote.

CLAIMS

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled for November 23, 2020 at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tonya Thayer Lebanon Clerk – Treasurer