

CITY OF LEBANON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 09, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Council of the City of Lebanon, Missouri, met in Regular Session on March 09, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 401 South Jefferson.

ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Upon roll call, the following Officers were present: Gib Adkins, Ken Eldridge, Sheila Mitchell, Jonathan Reagan, LeAnn Mather, Randy Wall, Chuck Jordan, and Mayor Carr. Absent: Bob Garner.

A quorum was declared.

Staff members and others in attendance: City Administrator Mike Schumacher, Public Works Director Richard Shockley, Police Chief Bryan Arnold, Fire Chief Sam Schneider, Street Superintendent Mike Moore, Electric Superintendent Travis Long, Human Resource Director Kathy Milliken, Finance Director Kat Gill, Communications Manager Derek Gean, IT Director/Airport Jarrad Schomaker, Lieutenant Matthew Wright, Police Officer Cheyenne Kinsley, Sergeant Brandon Hill, Police Analyst Angie Pollreisz, Police Officer Jacob Little, Lebanon REDI President Brian Thompson, and City Counselor Chris Allen.

Kathy Milliken took meeting minutes in the absence of City Clerk, Laina Starnes.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was given by Don Anderson of Union Mission Church, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Andy Miller- inquired about Resolution 449 regarding waving development fees for residential housing on certain lots. Miller said he knew of several individuals who would benefit from this; however, it's only for twenty-five (25) additional existing infill lots.

DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Adopt a Street Appreciation – NAMI

Mayor Carr presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Donna Caffey with NAMI of Lebanon in appreciation for their efforts in the Adopt-A-Street program. Caffey took a few minutes to explain the programs and support services NAMI offered its clients.

Lifesaving Award – Police Officer Jacob Little

Chief Arnold presented the Lifesaving Award to Police Officer Jacob Little for his heroic actions while on duty which saved the life a suicidal male subject from jumping off an overpass in Lebanon.

CONSENT AGENDA

Jordan moved and Adkins seconded that the Council approve the Consent Agenda as follows.

- Council Minutes
- February 24, 2020 Closed Session Minutes
- Warrants #99028-#99140, Payroll, and Drafts
- Board Appointment
 - I. Downtown Business District- appointment of Chris Walters to an unexpired term ending July 2022.

Motion carried as follows: Yea: (7) Adkins, Eldridge, Mitchell, Reagan, Mather, Wall, and Jordan; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

RESOLUTION NO. 449- A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI, WAIVING DEVELOPMENT FEES FOR RESIDENTIAL HOUSING CONSTRUCTION ON TWENTY-FIVE (25) ADDITIONAL EXISTING INFILL LOTS.

Jordan moved and Eldridge seconded that the Council approve Resolution No. 449 as presented.

“A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI, WAIVING DEVELOPMENT FEES FOR RESIDENTIAL HOUSING CONSTRUCTION ON TWENTY-FIVE (25) ADDITIONAL EXISTING INFILL LOTS.

WHEREAS, that on February 25, 2019, via Resolution No. 445, City Council resolved to waive residential development fees on Twenty-Five (25) infill lots to incentivize new construction in an effort to provide housing to a target market, boost the local economy, and increase the sales tax base; and

WHEREAS, that City Staff wishes to waive said fees for residential construction on an additional Twenty-Five (25) existing infill lots on a first come first serve basis where ground breaking takes place within twelve (12) months of obtaining required permits for owner-occupied single-family housing with a price point of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) and below; contiguous lot limit set at two (2); and

WHEREAS, that Said Waiver of Residential Development Fees for Twenty-Five (25) additional lots was introduced to City Council for adoption by Resolution 449 on March 9, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, hereby resolves to waive residential development fees on an additional Twenty-Five (25) existing infill lots on a first come first serve basis where ground breaking takes place within twelve (12) months of obtaining required permits for owner-occupied single-family housing with a price point of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) and below; contiguous lot limit set at two (2).

SECTION 2: That the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri hereby resolves that waived fees shall include building permits, electric hookup fees, water hookup fees, sewer hookup fees, and electric meter base fees.

SECTION 3: That the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County Missouri hereby resolves to waive the residential development fees through February 28, 2021 for the initial Twenty-Five (25) lots plus the additional Twenty-Five (25) lots.

Passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, as this 9th day of March 2020.

Mayor Jared Carr

(Seal)

Attest:

City Clerk Laina Starnes”

Motion to approve Resolution No. 449 carried as follows: Yea: (7) Eldridge, Mitchell, Reagan, Mather, Wall, Jordan, and Adkins; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

RESOLUTION NO. 450- A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI TO NOT ENTERTAIN ELECTRIC RATE CHANGES UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE ELECTRIC RESERVE FUND BALANCE FALLS BELOW FORTY PERCENT (40%) OF ANNUAL OPERATING REVENUE.

Wall moved and Jordan seconded that the Council approve Resolution No. 449 as presented.

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WHEREAS, that per City Code Section 26-134 an annual proposal for rates of not less than one percent (1%) increase shall be submitted to City Council for action; and

WHEREAS, that since the adoption of Ordinance No. 5776 on May 29, 2018, City Council has not entertained electric rate changes; and

WHEREAS, that the Electric Reserve in Electric Fund 80 currently maintains a fund balance which falls within the 30%-50% range as required by City Code Section 26-148.2; and

WHEREAS, that it is the desire of the Mayor and City Council to invest in and maintain reliable electric infrastructure and equipment without the need to increase electric rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri desire to invest in and maintain reliable electric infrastructure and equipment and provide quality electric service to the citizens of the City of Lebanon without the need to increase electric rates.

SECTION 2: That the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, hereby resolves not to entertain electric rate changes, as adopted on May 29, 2018 via Ordinance No. 5776, unless the Electric Reserve in Electric Fund 80 falls below 40% of annual operating revenue.

Passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, as this 9th day of March 2020.

Mayor Jared Carr

(Seal)

Attest:

City Clerk Laina Starnes”

Motion to approve Resolution No. 450 carried as follows: Yea: (7) Mitchell, Reagan, Mather, Wall, Jordan, Adkins, and Eldridge; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 4948- CODE AMENDMENT, DEBT AND FUND BALANCE POLICY

An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, (hereinafter referred to as “City”) amending City Code of Ordinances Chapter 2 Administration, Article VIII Financial Policies, by enacting newly created Section 2-471 Fund Balance Policy and Section 2-472 Debt Management Policy.

Adkins moved and Eldridge seconded that the Council approve the second and final reading of Council Bill No. 4948 and that the roll be called for the approval and passage of said bill. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (7) Reagan, Mather, Wall, Jordan, Adkins, Eldridge, and Mitchell; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

Mayor Carr declared Council Bill No. 4948 duly passed and approved and that it be entered among City Records as Ordinance No. 6097.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 4949- PURCHASE, THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA, GRAYBAR ELECTRIC COMPANY

An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, (hereinafter referred to as “City”) authorizing the Purchase of a Thermal Imaging Camera from Graybar Electric Company for the Electric Department.

Eldridge moved and Reagan seconded that the Council approve the first reading of Council Bill No. 4949 and that it be passed to the second reading. Motion carried as

follows: Yea: (7) Mather, Wall, Jordan, Adkins, Eldridge, Mitchell, and Reagan; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

Mitchell moved and Adkins seconded that the Council approve the second and final reading of Council Bill No. 4949 and that the roll be called for the approval and passage of said bill. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (7) Wall, Jordan, Adkins, Eldridge, Mitchell, Reagan, and Mather; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

Mayor Carr declared Council Bill No. 4949 duly passed and approved and that it be entered among City Records as Ordinance No. 6098.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 4950- PURCHASE, AERIAL CABLE, FLETCHER REINHARDT COMPANY

An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, (hereinafter referred to as "City") authorizing the Purchase of Aerial Cable from Fletcher Reinhardt Company for the Electric Department.

Jordan moved and Mather seconded that the Council approve the first reading of Council Bill No. 4950 and that it be passed to the second reading. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (7) Jordan, Adkins, Eldridge, Mitchell, Reagan, Mather, and Wall; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

Reagan moved and Mitchell seconded that the Council approve the second and final reading of Council Bill No. 4950 and that the roll be called for the approval and passage of said bill. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (7) Adkins, Eldridge, Mitchell, Reagan, Mather, Wall, and Jordan; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

Mayor Carr declared Council Bill No. 4950 duly passed and approved and that it be entered among City Records as Ordinance No. 6099.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 4951- AGREEMENT, 100 HARRISON AVE. LEASE, MERCY

An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, (hereinafter referred to as "City") authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into and execute a Lease Agreement between the City and Mercy Health Springfield Communities, a Missouri Nonprofit Corporation, for use of property located at 100 Harrison Avenue, Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri.

Eldridge moved and Adkins seconded that the Council approve the first reading of Council Bill No. 4951 and that it be passed to the second reading. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (7) Eldridge, Mitchell, Reagan, Mather, Wall, Jordan, and Adkins; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

Jordan moved and Mitchell seconded that the Council approve the second and final reading of Council Bill No. 4951 and that the roll be called for the approval and passage

of said bill. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (7) Mitchell, Reagan, Mather, Wall, Jordan, Adkins, and Eldridge; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Garner.

Mayor Carr declared Council Bill No. 4951 duly passed and approved and that it be entered among City Records as Ordinance No. 6100.

COMMENTS

Public Works Director, Richard Shockley, commented that Electric Superintendent, Travis Long, was doing a good job bringing forth new products, tools, and services to the citizens of Lebanon.

City Administrator, Mike Schumacher, thanked the Mayor and Council for their leadership and collaboration with our community partner, Mercy, for the approval of the Lease Agreement. Schumacher said it would provide better ambulance services to the community.

Councilman Eldridge appreciated the teamwork he and others witnessed at Nelson Park. He stated he could see the pride in the work being done and all the long hours are not going unnoticed.

Councilman Adkins inquired about the City's response to Coronavirus and future planning. City Administrator, Mike Schumacher, responded that the City was working in collaboration with other agencies such as OEM and the health department on coordination and messaging to our citizens.

Mayor Carr announced he will participate in a statewide call with Governor Parsons to discuss the Coronavirus response. Earlier in the day, Mayor Carr gave the State of the City address to the Optimist Club and will do the same for Kiwanis on March 24. He also shared that the City was recognized by Ft. Leonard Wood for the Rock the Block 2019 event held in December for soldiers unable to go home for the holidays. Finally, Mayor Carr reminded everyone of the upcoming Presidential Primary and Ribbon Cutting for Nelson Park.

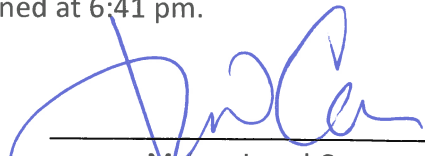
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Carr declared the meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm.

ATTEST:



City Clerk Laina Starnes



Mayor Jared Carr
Minutes Approved April 13, 2020