

CITY OF LEBANON  
CITY COUNCIL AND PARK BOARD JOINT MEETING MINUTES  
April 10, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Council of the City of Lebanon, Missouri, met in Regular Session on April 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Meeting Rooms at the Kenneth E Cowan Civic Center located at 500 East Elm.

ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

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

Park Board- Upon roll call, the following Officers were present: Holly Goforth, David Matlock, Max Meckem, Bobby Mowery, Douglas Smith, Ramsey Stuart, and President Carrie Plassmeyer. Absent: Bobby Mowery and Heather Shadel.

A quorum was declared.

Note: The Park Board consisted of eight members due to the vacancy created when Dan Mizell was elected to City Council at the April 4, 2023, General Municipal Election.

Staff members and others in attendance: City Administrator Mike Schumacher, Public Works Administrator Richard Shockley, Police Chief Bryan Arnold, Police Lieutenant Matt Wright, Police Lieutenant Keith Shumate, Fire Chief Sam Schneider, Finance Director Kat Gill, Park Director John Shelton, Purchasing Agent Jessica Meiners, Environmental Services Superintendent Eric Mork, Code Administrator Joe Berkich, Communications Manager Derek Gean, Assistant City Administrator/City Clerk Laina Starnes, and City Counselor Chris Allen.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Councilman Reagan shared that he invited his Summit Taekwondo students to his last meeting so they could see why he missed their class every other week. He thanked those who taught his class in his absence and asked his students to come forward to have a picture with Mayor Carr and City Council. The students then distributed Summit Taekwondo coins to each official.

DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Arbor Day Proclamation

Mayor Carr read the following proclamation aloud and declared April 10, 2022, as "Arbor Day."

“WHEREAS, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs; moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife, and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and

WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic; vitality of business areas and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Jared Carr, City of Lebanon, do hereby proclaim April 20, 2023

### **Arbor Day**

In the City of Lebanon and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Lebanon to be affixed this 10th day of April 2023.”

#### Police Department Recognitions

Police Chief Bryan Arnold recognized Police Dispatcher Samantha Armstrong for receiving the Civilian Employee of the Year Award for 2022 and Police Officer Chris Nelson for receiving the Officer of the Year Award for 2022. Awards were presented to both in front of fellow employees, family, and friends.

#### Fire Department Recognitions

Fire Chief Sam Schneider presented Becky Anderson, Jeremy Gardner, Jerri Phillips, Krystal Schieselbein, and Leonard Watson each with a Lifesaving Award for aiding Beverly Headley during a cardiac arrest event at the Civic Center. They administered CPR and utilized a facility provided AED to shock her heart.

Chief Schneider then recognized Paramedic Robert Wilson for receiving the Firefighter of the Year Award for 2022 and Captain Jason Duerden for receiving the Fire Officer of the

Year Award for 2022. He also announced the names of those who had five, ten, fifteen, twenty, and thirty years of service.

Mayor Carr then presented Terry Saltzman with a Certificate of Appreciation for his service in the Fire Department. Saltzman had recently retired, working 18+ years for the City.

All awards were presented in front of fellow employees, family, and friends.

#### Park Master Plan Presentation

Landscape Architect Chris Cahalan from Olsson Studios presented the proposed master plans for Atchley Park, Nelson Park, Boswell Park, and Wallace Park. His presentation also included visuals and ideas for a possible future 5-acre and/or 8-acre park. Park system trails, splash pads, native prairie areas, a sledding hill, shelters, pickle ball and basketball courts, and park themes were all a part of the presentation.

All Park Board members exited the meeting at 6:39 following this presentation.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Approval of Minutes
  - i. March 27, 2023, Council Meeting
- Approval of Warrants
- Appointment to the Veterans Memorial Board- Kathleen Haefner to an unexpired term ending June 2023.
- Resolution No. 491- Fair Housing

Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Eldridge, Reagan, Mutchler, Wall, Jordan, and Garner; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

#### COUNCIL BILL NO. 6472- AGREEMENT RENEWAL, CITY FACILITY LAWN MAINTENANCE SERVICES, DUNN MOWING LLC

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 an Agreement Renewal between the City and Dunn Mowing LLC for City Facility Lawn Maintenance Services.

Eldridge moved and Wall seconded that the Council approve the first reading of Council Bill No. 6472 and that it be passed to the second reading. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Reagan, Mutchler, Wall, Jordan, Garner, and Eldridge; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

Reagan moved and Jordan seconded that the Council approve the second and final reading of Council Bill No. 6472 and that the roll be called for the approval and passage

of said bill. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Mutchler, Wall, Jordan, Garner, Eldridge, and Reagan; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

Mayor Carr declared Council Bill No. 6472 duly passed and approved and that it be entered among City Records as Ordinance No. 6719.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 6473- PURCHASE, TWENTY-FIVE (25) RESCUE ROPE SYSTEMS, ED M. FELD EQUIPMENT CO.

An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, (hereinafter referred to as "City") authorizing the purchase of Twenty-Five (25) Self-Rescue Rope Systems from Ed M. Feld Equipment Co. Inc. for the Fire Department

Jordan moved and Garner seconded that the Council approve the first reading of Council Bill No. 6473 and that it be passed to the second reading. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Wall, Jordan, Garner, Eldridge, Reagan, and Mutchler; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

Eldridge moved and Reagan seconded that the Council approve the second and final reading of Council Bill No. 6473 and that the roll be called for the approval and passage of said bill. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Jordan, Garner, Eldridge, Reagan, Mutchler, and Wall; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

Mayor Carr declared Council Bill No. 6473 duly passed and approved and that it be entered among City Records as Ordinance No. 6420.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 6474- PURCHASE, OFFICE FURNITURE FOR THE WWTP, PAGE OFFICE SUPPLY

An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, (hereinafter referred to as "City") authorizing the purchase of Office Furniture for the Wastewater Treatment Plant from Page Office Supply

Jordan moved and Mutchler seconded that the Council approve the first reading of Council Bill No. 6474 and that it be passed to the second reading. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Garner, Eldridge, Reagan, Mutchler, Wall, and Jordan; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

Wall moved and Reagan seconded that the Council approve the second and final reading of Council Bill No. 6474 and that the roll be called for the approval and passage of said bill. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Eldridge, Reagan, Mutchler, Wall, Jordan, and Garner; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

Mayor Carr declared Council Bill No. 6474 duly passed and approved and that it be entered among City Records as Ordinance No. 6721.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 6475- AGREEMENT EXTENSION FOR TAX COLLECTION, LACLEDE COUNTY COLLECTOR

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 an Extension Agreement between the City, Toni Morris, duly elected County Collector of Laclede County, and the Laclede County Commission for the collection of taxes due to the City.

Wall moved and Garner seconded that the Council approve the first reading of Council Bill No. 6475 and that it be passed to the second reading. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Reagan, Mutchler, Wall, Jordan, Garner, and Eldridge; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

Eldridge moved and Reagan seconded that the Council approve the second and final reading of Council Bill No. 6475 and that the roll be called for the approval and passage of said bill. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Mutchler, Wall, Jordan, Garner, Eldridge, and Reagan; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

Mayor Carr declared Council Bill No. 6475 duly passed and approved and that it be entered among City Records as Ordinance No. 6722.

COMMENTS

City Counselor Chris Allen- stated there had been a lot of hard work put into the Collector Agreement and said he hoped it all work out.

Councilman Garner- shared he was at several ballparks over the weekend, and all were very busy. He commented about the need for additional parking and then commended park employees.

Councilman Wall- stated it was a pleasure serving on City Council with outgoing Councilman Reagan.

Councilman Mutchler- expressed the same sentiments as Councilman Wall.

Councilman Eldridge- expressed the same sentiments as Councilman Wall and Councilman Mutchler.

Councilman Reagan- shared he had wanted to be on City Council for a long time so he could better understand City government and how it worked. Reagan then expressed the employees of the City made his job easy and stated it was an honor to serve.

Mayor Carr- presented outgoing Councilman Reagan with his picture plaque which noted his four years of service (2019-2023) on the engraving.

RESOLUTION NO. 492- GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS

Reagan moved and Jordan seconded that the that the Council approve Resolution No. 492 as presented.

"A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI, (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "CITY") APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE LACLEDE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICIAL RESULTS OF THE APRIL 4, 2023 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY.

*WHEREAS,* that on April 4, 2023 the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, General Municipal Election was held; *and*

*WHEREAS,* that on April 7, 2023 Linda Cansler, Laclede County Clerk, certified the correct abstract of votes cast in the April 4, 2023 Municipal General Election and Said Results are being presented for approval and acceptance.

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

SECTION 1: The City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, hereby approves and accepts the April 4, 2023 General Municipal Election results, as certified by Linda Cansler, Laclede County Clerk. Said certified election results are hereby attached and incorporated herewithin as marked "*Exhibit A.*"

SECTION 2: That the Laclede County Clerk, Linda Cansler, hereby certified the following candidates received the highest number of votes:

<u>Councilman Ward 1, 2-Year Term</u>	
Ken Eldridge	328
<u>Councilman Ward 2, 2-Year Term</u>	
Dan Mizell	383
<u>Councilman Ward 3, 2-Year Term</u>	
Randy Wall	154
<u>Councilman Ward 4, 2-Year Term</u>	
Bob Garner	136

SECTION 2: That this Resolution shall take effect April 10, 2023.

Passed and Approved by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, on this 10th day of April 2023."

Motion carried as follows: Yea: (6) Wall, Jordan, Garner, Eldridge, Reagan, and Mutchler; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (2) Adkins and Mitchell.

ADJOURNMENT OF RETIRING COUNCIL

Mayor Carr declared the meeting adjourned at 6:54 pm.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

Assistant City Administrator/City Clerk Laina Starnes administered the oaths of office to newly elected Councilman Ken Eldridge, Councilman Dan Mizell, Councilman Randy Wall, and Councilman Bob Garner.

ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Upon roll call, the following Officers were present: Ken Eldridge, Dan Mizell, Jeff Mutchler, Randy Wall, Chuck Jordan, Bob Garner, and Mayor Carr. Absent: Gib Adkins and Sheila Mitchell.

A quorum was declared.

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

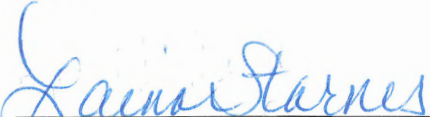
Mayor Carr opened the floor for nominations for Mayor Pro Tem.

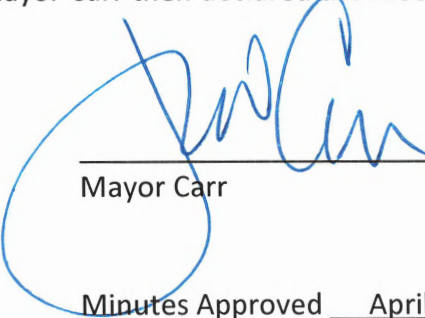
Councilman Wall nominated Councilman Bob Garner. No other nominations were received; therefore, Councilman Jordan moved that nominations cease, and the motion was seconded by Councilman Eldridge. Nominations ceased and Councilman Garner was named Mayor Pro Tem by acclamation.

ADJOURNMENT

Prior to adjournment, Mayor Carr provided the upcoming meeting schedule and congratulated the sworn in officers. Mayor Carr then declared the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk Laina Starnes

  
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Mayor Carr  
Minutes Approved April 24, 2023