



MINUTES OF: LEBANON CITY COUNCIL

Date: AUGUST 9, 2016

Council of the City of Lebanon met in regular session on August 9, 2016 in the Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present; Messrs: Norris, Dearie, Kaiser, Messer, Aylor, Mrs. Monroe and Mayor Brewer. Also present was City Manager, Pat Clements, City Attorney, Mark Yurick, City Auditor, Sharee' Dick, and Deputy City Manager, Scott Brunka.

The invocation was given by Mr. Doug Sibcy. Mayor Brewer asked everyone to remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

At this time Mayor Brewer asked for consideration of the minutes for the July 12th regular meeting. Motion to adopt the minutes as submitted was made by Mr. Aylor seconded by Mr. Kaiser. Roll call vote to adopt as submitted was unanimous in favor. Motion to adopt the August 1st work session minutes as submitted was made by Mr. Norris seconded by Mr. Aylor. Roll call vote to adopt was as follows: Mr. Norris, yes; Mr. Dearie, yes; Mr. Kaiser, yes; Mayor Brewer, yes; Mr. Messer, abstained; Mrs. Monroe, abstained; Mr. Aylor, yes.

Ordinance No. 2016-078 An Ordinance amending Section 152.08 of the Codified Ordinances of the City providing an Income Tax Credit to Resident Taxpayers who pay Municipal Income Tax to other Municipalities was read in title only by the City Attorney. This legislation will approve changes to Section 152.08 of the Codified Ordinances to reduce the credit provided for municipal income taxes paid to another municipality from 1% to .5% effective January 1, 2017 in order to generate additional revenue to support the City's road maintenance program. Mr. Clements explained the legislation. Mr. Kaiser seconded by Mr. Messer made motion to suspend the rules for discussion purposes. Mayor Brewer asked for a show of hands, all were in favor.

Doug Sibcy spoke to Council about how refreshing it was to see a Council working together on very important issues. He said this income tax credit reduction was a difficult issue for Council to address and he supports the initiative and was proud to be a resident of this fine community.

Katherine Newport voiced her opposition to the legislation asking why Council was focused on the residents that worked and paid taxes elsewhere when Council should be creating more jobs for people here.

Matt Rodriguez voiced his opposition to the credit reduction. He said he felt that Council should address consolidating the Municipal Court system with Warren County. He stated that this tax initiative was legalized blackmail. Mr. Clements explained the Municipal Court system was

operated by State Statute and this City Council had no legal authority to consolidate the Municipal Court with Warren County Court.

Melissa Neushauser asked if the additional funds raised from this initiative would be put aside in a specific fund. Mr. Clements explained the income tax allocation and he advised that yes it would be set aside for the road resurfacing program.

Ken Bush asked Council to consider decreasing the credit to .25% instead of the .50% so it would not hinder the people that would be effected so badly.

Council had a lengthy discussion regarding the credit reduction. Mrs. Monroe and Mr. Messer voiced their opposition to the legislation. The other members of Council stated the various reasons for their support. Mr. Norris seconded by Mr. Aylor made motion for this legislation to receive a first reading.

Ordinance No. 2016-079 An Ordinance amending Chapter 152 of the Codified Ordinances providing for Income Tax was read in title only by the City Attorney. This legislation will approve changes to Section 152.013 of The Codified Ordinances to adjust the allocation of revenue collected from the municipal income tax as follows: General Fund will be decreased from 56% to 54%; Capital Improvement Fund will be increased from 33% to 37%; and the General Obligation Fund will be decreased from 11% to 9%, effective January 1, 2018. The intent of the allocation adjustment is to shift the additional revenue generated from the proposed reduction in the municipal income tax credit into the City's Capital Improvement Fund to provide additional revenue to partially address the backlog of unfunded roadway maintenance requirements. Mr. Clements explained the legislation. Mr. Norris seconded by Mr. Kaiser made motion for this legislation to receive a first reading.

Ordinance No. 2016-080 An Ordinance amending the City's Fiscal Policy was read in title only by the City Attorney. This legislation will approve updates to the City's Fiscal Policy to add the requirement for an annual review of the .5% credit for municipal income taxes paid to another municipality to determine if the additional revenue generated from the .5% credit remains necessary to support the infrastructure requirements of the City. Mr. Clements explained the legislation. Mr. Kaiser seconded by Mr. Aylor made motion for this legislation to receive a first reading.

Ordinance No. 2016-081 A Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance and declaring an emergency was read in title only by the City Attorney. This legislation will approve a supplemental appropriation in the Racetrack Redevelopment Fund in the amount of \$396,100 to facilitate the receipt and disbursement of grant funding from the State of Ohio Racetrack Facility Community Economic Redevelopment Fund. Mr. Clements explained the legislation. Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-081 was made by Mr. Norris seconded by Mr. Aylor. Roll call vote to adopt was unanimous in favor.

Resolution No. 2016-082 A Resolution ratifying the purchase of a 2016 Pierce Enforcer Ladder Truck for the Lebanon Fire Division by the City Manager pursuant to Section 131.10 of the Lebanon Code of Ordinances was read in title only by the City Attorney. This legislation ratifies

the City Manager's execution of a purchase agreement with Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. to facilitate the expedited fielding of a new Ladder Truck to replace the City's 1992 Seagrave Ladder Truck that is out of service due to significant maintenance problems. Mr. Clements explained the legislation. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-082 was made by Mr. Norris seconded by Mr. Aylor. Mr. Rodriguez asked for explanation for funding for the truck. Mr. Clements explained the funding. Council discussed the emergency nature of the purchase with the old ladder truck being out of commission. Roll call vote to adopt was unanimous in favor.

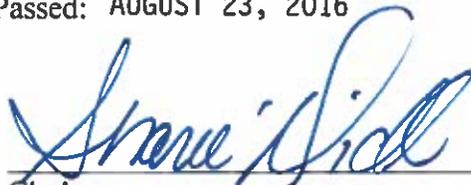
Mayor Brewer asked for the City Manager's report. Mr. Clements advised the next work session would be August 15th, the next regular meeting would be August 23rd and Planning Commission would be August 16th.

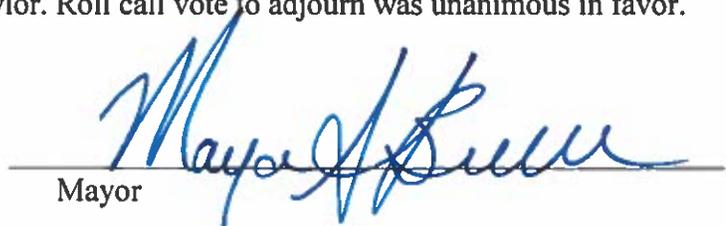
Mr. Norris thanked Doug Sibcy and his congregation for their support of National Night Out event. He said the Blues Festival was another success.

Mayor Brewer reminded everyone to attend the upcoming 3rd Friday on Mulberry event on the 19th.

There being no further business to come before this Council motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Norris seconded by Mr. Aylor. Roll call vote to adjourn was unanimous in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Passed: AUGUST 23, 2016


Clerk


Mayor

Discussion Items:

- (a) City Manager's Report
- (b) Executive Session

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