

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEXINGTON CITY COUNCIL

JULY 24, 2017

7:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Lexington City Council was called to order at 7:00 P. M. by Mayor Spencer Johansen in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

Mayor Johansen led the council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken to find the following physically present: Mayor Johansen, Alderman Schreiber, Alderman Wilson, Alderman Colclasure and Alderman Richard, Alderman Stover with Alderman Fosen absent. Members of the staff and public present were: Dave Belvery, Don Cavallini and Jay Cappis.

It was moved by Alderman Colclasure and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2017 regular City Council meeting with one correction. It was reported that the new squad car had arrived when in fact it was only the accessories for the car that have been delivered to the installer. Also, to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2017 Public Hearing on the Proposed Appropriation Ordinance for 2017-18 for the City of Lexington. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Alderman Richard and seconded by Alderman Stover to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay bills in the amount of \$282,774.05. This includes a payment to Wirtz of \$250,638.26. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input: It was brought up that City Code states that Main Street is a through street and that the new stop sign does not go along with that code. Vehicles have the right away by City Ordinance 240-16:

- A. The following street in the City of Lexington is hereby designated as a "through traffic street": Main Street, from the West corporate limits of the City to the East corporate limits thereof.
- B. Vehicles traveling on said through traffic street shall have the right-of-way over vehicles entering therein, and all vehicles, before entering the above-designated street, shall come to a full stop or yield within 15 feet of the near property line thereof.
- C. It shall be the duty of the Mayor to mark all the intersections of the above-named through traffic street with such appropriate signs as will apprise the operators of vehicles about to enter or cross it of the fact that the same is through traffic street, and directing such operators to stop or yield.

Chapter 240-27: Placement of signs and markings; compliance: The Mayor hereby is authorized and directed to place, establish, maintain, or cause to be placed, established and maintained, all signs, markings and other designations required or allowed by this chapter, and in cases of emergency he/she is further authorized temporarily to place, establish and maintain any necessary signs, markings or devices required to meet said emergency. All persons shall obey the directions contained on or implied by all such signs, markings and devices.

Old Business: None

New Business: Consideration/vote on Approval of new committee members for Rec Center: This item will be tabled until a future meeting. There needs to be nine people on the committee and to date we only have six. We would like to have two members from the City Council on the committee. Alderman Wilson has agreed to be on the committee along with Alderman Stover. Alderman Wilson will make the seventh member to the committee. There will be an amendment added to the agreement that we or ok with the other people on the committee.

Consideration/vote on Wirtz Realty Agreement: We were waiting for a copy of the TIF eligible expenses. A change in personal is what was taking so long. They wanted to add \$515,968 to make a grant of \$3,030,860. This is a moot point since the 2013 ordinance was for \$3,255,000 and is already signed. We feel they are padding their expenses to increase the amount they receive but we are never going to pay more than 75% of their expenses. We are not doing anything other than has already been passed by the City Council. Wirtz brings about \$42,000 per year to the City and we need to abide by the agreement. We are paying two payments that are almost three years overdue. Motion to sign the note and pass the ordinance made by Alderman Richard and seconded by Alderman Stover. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor's Report: Main Street Under the Stars was a success with about 150 people attending. The County has started on the Main Street repairs and should be finished by Sept 1st.

They are pouring concrete at the water plant.

Project Red that we submitted paper work on, has called and wanted more info.

No additional info on Casey's.

We must be careful how we word that we are not taking TIF applications at this time. He would like to see the finance committee get started on the new TIF application guidelines.

Police: Chief Belvery reported that the audit has been completed by the CDIC, Cyber Security. He do not have the results yet but feels one area of change will be getting encrypted e-mail which is costly, but feels this will be an unfunded mandate and will be necessary because we deal with sensitive information. He will have more information on this when he gets the update.

We will keep the old police car and put it out with the rest of our equipment on the auction even if we need to spend \$200-300 to take the stickers off. It may be October, November or spring before we have the sale.

Building/Insurance: None

Finance/TIF: None

Water/Sewer/Sanitation: Water plant is about 80% done and is really looking great

Street/Alley: None

There being no further business motion was made by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Stover to adjourn at 7:26 P.M. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

By Pati Pease

City Clerk

Approved: August 14, 2017