

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 27, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

The council met in regular session at city hall was called to order 6:31 p.m. by Mayor Wright.

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – present

Following the Pledge of Allegiance Alderperson Fero/Lily Motioned to approve the omnibus agenda with the exception of the agenda.

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas
MOTION passed 6 – 0

Alderperson Fero/Witty Motioned to approve the agenda with the omissions of the discussions of Lexipol, the budget and the stand alone SRO contract.

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas
MOTION passed 6 – 0

Audience – Barb Cioni brought up the topic of owning chickens within the city limits. The City attorney opened that topic up for discussion instead of waiting for the Ordinance report. Some of the questions that were presented: If an area has covenants which one has jurisdiction the covenant or the ordinance? (covenants) Who will be the person that makes sure all the requirements are met? (Police will be in charge of writing tickets) Anyone not following the requirements stated in the ordinance will be considered violations and are fineable.

The appearance of the downtown area was mentioned. There was concern that Waste Management needed to pick up the trash more often, bars need to control their areas better, and citizens need to help. Since some of the items on the sidewalk are privately owned by the businesses the street department wouldn't be able to remove items.

Also, cars, motor coaches and other storable items have been left on lots without a residence. The mayor said if there is a violation reported the city will proceed to issue violations.

Alderperson – no comments

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets/Alleys – MEET March 6, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Finance – MEET March 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Ordinance – MEET March 6, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

1. Alderperson Fero/Witty Present for a second reading of the *ORDINANCE ALLOWING THE KEEPING OF A LIMITED NUMBER OF CHICKENS IN ALL ZONING DISTRICTS OF THE CITY.*

The third and final reading will occur at the Council meeting on March 13th 2023.

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas

MOTION passed 6 – 0

- 2. Alderperson Fero/Lily Motioned to approve an *ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32 – TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE IV. – STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING, SECTION 32-169. – PROHIBITED IN SPECIFIED PLACES* meant to address concerns by the Police department and citizens on the dangerous street parking near the entrances and exits of the college lots on the east side of Stanton Street.**

Alderperson Fero/Witty Motioned to amend the ordinance to start enforcement after Spring Break on March 20th.

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas

Amending MOTION passed 6 – 0

Alderperson Fero/Reid Motioned to approve the *ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32 – TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE IV. – STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING, SECTION 32-169. – PROHIBITED IN SPECIFIED PLACES* as amended to start March 20, 2023.

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas

Amending MOTION passed 6 – 0

Water/Sewer – MEET March 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Cemetery – MEET March 6, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Health/Safety – MEET March 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Public Property – MEET March 6, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Personnel – MEET March 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk –

Treasurer –

Mayor –

- 1*Request to go into Executive Session under new business per OMA to discuss compensation of City personnel.

Dept. Heads

Chief –

Streets/Alleys –

Water/Sewer –

Accountant –

Unfinished Business –

1. Alderperson Fero/ Wilkins Motioned to approve the *RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LEBANON AND LEBANON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9 FOR A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER.*

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas

Amending MOTION passed 6 – 0

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2. Alderperson Fero/ Wilkins Motioned to approve the *RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LEBANON AND LEBANON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9 REGARDING RECIPROCAL REPORTING OF CRIMINAL OFFENSES COMMITTED BY STUDENTS*

New Business –

1. Alderperson Fero/ Wilkins Motioned to approve the *RESOLUTION AMENDING CITY PERSONNEL POLICY, SPECIFICALLY QUALIFICATION FOR CITY STREETS, ALLEYS, AND CEMETERY MAINTENANCE OPERATOR*

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas

Amending MOTION passed 6 – 0

2. Request by the mayor to go into Executive Session per *Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120 Sec 2(c)(1) of the Open Meeting Act the consideration of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. It was stated there would be not vote upon returning from the executive session.

Alderperson Fero/ Wilkins Motioned to leave regular session.

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas

Amending MOTION passed 6 – 0

Alderperson Mack/Fero Motioned to go into Executive session.

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lilly, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas

Amending MOTION passed 6 – 0

Council entered into executive session at 7:11 p.m.

Return from executive session at 7:24 p.m. and entered into regular session per motion and vote during the Executive session.

Roll Call: Alderperson Fero, Lily, Mack, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – yeas

MOTION passed 6 – 0

Adjournment – With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Fero/Duckworth Motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. by voice vote.

MOTION passed by voice. All were in favor.