

LEBANON COUNCIL MINUTES

April 22, 2024 at 6:30 P.M.

The council met in regular session at city hall and was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Cheri Wright. A public meeting was held to answer questions from the public at large and the Council concerning the FY 2024-2025 budget.

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Branch, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – present
Alderperson Branch – Absent

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderperson Fero/Bennett Motioned to approve the omnibus agenda, which included the agenda, approval of the bills and minutes from April 8, 2024 council meeting and the executive Session of April 8, 2024.

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 7 – 0

Audience –
Alderperson –

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets/Alleys – MEET May 6, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

1. Chair presented the results of the bid to surface Ursula and Janet Dr. The lowest bid was from Christ of \$234,538.43. Alderperson Davis/Witty Motioned to accept the bid and award the contract to Christ Bros.

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 7 – 0

Finance – MEET May 20, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

Ordinance – MEET May 6, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer – MEET May 20, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

1. Committee recommended to approve of the *RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROPOSAL FOR CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH THOUVENOT, WADE & MOERCHEN, INC. FOR THE PROPOSED MCALLISTER STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT.*

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 7 – 0

Cemetery – MEET May 6, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

1. Alderperson Trinka/Washington Motioned to approve the dispersal of the cemetery sign donation funds to cover the cost of materials at \$3900. The rest of the funds will be dispersed after the valuation at the completion of the project.

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 7 – 0

Health/Safety – MEET May 20, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Public Property – MEET May 6, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

1. Committee recommends purchase an additional 12 City Employee No Parking Signs along with one sign designating MAYOR. Signs will signify that employee parking is from 7 am to 4 pm, Mon-Fri and still contain the warning that Violators Will Be Towed at Their Own Expense. Signs are for the parking lot on east side of City Hall. Alderperson Fero/Witty Motion to amended the committee recommendation to include “not exceed 12 signs”.

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington and Witty – Yes
Alderperson Wilkins – No
MOTION passes – 6-1

Roll Call on Committee’s recommendation as amended.

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington and Witty – Yes
Alderperson Wilkins – No
MOTION passes – 6-1

Personnel – MEET May 20, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

1. * Request to go into Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120 Sec 2(c)(1) of the Open Meeting Act .

Clerk –

1. Alderperson Fero/Witty Motioned for the approval of *ORDINANCE APPROVING REAL ESTATE REZONING FOR PARCELS #051903337028 AND #05300100018 (NEAR 651 SOUTH MADISON ST.), FROM “MR-1” MULTI-RESIDENTIAL TO “C-1” COMMERCIAL.*

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 7 – 0

2. * Request to go into Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120 Sec 2(c)(1) of the Open Meeting Act .

Treasurer –

1. Treasurer Wilson presented for vote the budget ordinance for FY 2024-2025. Alderperson Fero/Washington Motioned for the approval of *AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025.*

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 7 – 0

Mayor –

1. The mayor had Street Superintendent Terry update on the HazMat spillage cleanup on Mercantile Dr. by a customer of the BP gas station. Since Illinois is a “Caller Pays” state the city is responsible for the clean up which the cost is around \$25,000. Basically, there is no avenue to collect the monies that the city has to spend to clean up the area.

Dept. Heads

CHIEF – Resource Officer Kyle Pucket has been very successful this year building bridges with the school and the community. The school is pleased with the arrangement.

The cameras out in the community and our department are now working through one vendor. Much of the problems have ceased to exist because of this switch.

STREETS – Adam Engel has procured his turf management classes to help in controlling the multi grass species at the cemetery. Once the crew gets control over this problem it will help in the management of mowing and weeding.

WATER – no report

ACCOUNTANT – The transfer of the Cemetery Fund is complete and in a 4% CD at First Federal.

Unfinished Business –

- 1. The City has approved \$2000 towards the new marquee sign and has not dismissed the idea of contributing more if funds become available in the future.**

New Business –

1. * Request to go into 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.

2. * Request to go into Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120 Sec 2(c)(21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

Enter executive session with the announcement that there would be votes on the executive session topic.

Aldersperson Fero/Davis Motioned to enter into Executive Session 7:27 p.m.

**Roll Call: Aldersperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinkka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 7 – 0**

Aldersperson Fero/Wilkins Motioned to leave Executive Session at 8:23 p.m. and enter regular session.

**Roll Call: Aldersperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinkka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 7 – 0**

Entered regular Council session at 8:24 p.m.

Roll call: Aldersperson Bennett, Davis, Fero, Trinkka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Present

Aldersperson Fero/Witty Motioned to approve the Memorandum of Understanding signed by the Mayor Pro Tem Charles Witty that recommended expanding the roll over of vacation hours for union employees.

**Roll Call: Aldersperson Trinkka, Washington and Witty – Yes
Aldersperson Bennett, Davis, Fero and Wilkins – No
MOTION fails 4-3**

Aldersperson Fero proclaimed since the second item involved rolling over hours there will be no motion concerning rolling over hours.

Adjournment – With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Fero/Washington Motioned to adjourn the meeting 8:29 p.m. by voice vote. MOTION passed by voice. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Luanne Holper, City Clerk