

LEBANON COUNCIL MINUTES

June 10, 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 Wright.

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

Alderperson Wilkins – Absent

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderperson Fero/Witty Motioned to approve the omnibus agenda, which included the agenda, approval of the bills and minutes from 5/28/2024 council meeting and 5/28/2024 Executive session

Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Branch, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington and Witty – Yes

MOTION passed 7 – 0

Audience –

1. Derek Anhueser, 303 E Shuetz St., stated his concerns about the speeding on Herman St. and whether the McAllister & Herman St improvement is being considered as a bypass route.
2. Ron Trame voiced his opinion on the placing of Commercial usages in the I-1 zoning district. It was his understanding that they were appropriate and allowed.

Alderperson –

1. Ulanda Branch also registered her concern about the speeding on Herman, Cherry and Fritz.
2. Dale Trinka reported that the electronic sign going on Route 50 has been approved by IDOT.
3. Charles Bennett asked for directions on how to have a street closure on a block of Center St. Present your request with all details to the clerk to be placed on the committee agenda.

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT –

1. Plan Commission recommended to allow Brianne Phillips a Special Use Permit to operate the Blue Bicycle Bakery out of her residence at 9864 Oak Grove School Road.
Alderperson Fero/Bennett Motioned to approve the SUP to Brianne Phillips to operate her Blue Bicycle Bakery out of the residence at 9864 Oak Grove School Road.
Roll Call: Alderperson Bennett, Branch, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 7 – 0
2. Plan Commission recommended allowing businesses listed on the C-1 District Permitted Uses to be considered on the Permitted List in the I-1 District. This topic of changing the Permitted Uses, Accessory Uses and Special Uses was taken under advisement to be addressed.
3. A member of the Plan Commission addressed the over populated banner signs that are not following the sign restrictions. The Code Enforcement Official should be restricted to

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS –

1. The Board granted a Variance to Sloane Kesinger concerning the parcel #05-30.0-100-018 located near 651 S Madison. The variance allows an 18' easement to be added onto the 60' property to bring her up conform to the 75' requirement. This easement was negotiated and so stated in the purchasing contract between her and the owner Mike Elbe.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets/Alleys – MEET July 1, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

1. There was a request from Joe Schanz, owner of A-1 Pro Asphalt, located at 107 Southern Drive, to rent the city easement for S Herman between the parcels #05300216014 and #05300217009. Also, to permit establishing a chain linked fence on said property while allowing entering by city personnel when requested and with the knowledge that the city could ask to have it removed. Alderperson Davis/Fero Motioned to approve the request from Joe Schanz to rent the so stated easement and place a fence upon it.

Roll Call: Alderperson – Yes

Alderperson Bennett, Branch, Davis, Fero, Trinka, Washington and Witty – No
MOTION failed 7 – 0

Finance – MEET June 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Ordinance – MEET July 1, 2024, at 6:30 p.m..

Water/Sewer – MEET June 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Cemetery – MEET July 1, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

Health/Safety – MEET June 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Public Property – MEET July 1, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

1. Alderperson Witty discuss the maintenance of the garage doors at city hall. This was considered regular maintenance that is in the budget.

Personnel – MEET June 17, 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 –

Treasurer –

Mayor –

Dept. Heads

- CHIEF –
1. Applied for a 95/5 % taser grant and waiting for results
 2. Working on the cameras and should be up a running in September 2024.
 3. There will be a shred day in late July.
 4. Police Dept is going to change from NCIC to Omnigo for the program for reporting and retreating information. NCIC isn't being supported any longer.

- WATER –
1. Requested a Seasonal Part time hire at \$17.00 an hour not to exceed 600 hours
Alderperson Fero/Washington Motioned to approve the hiring of a seasonal part time employee at \$17.00 per hour not to exceed 600 hours.

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

- ACCOUNTANT –
1. City received the deliverable for the Street Grant. City will be setting up a public meeting in the near future to present this information.

**INSPECTOR –
STREETS –**

Unfinished Business –

- 1. Committee will continue working on separating the clerk/collector position and eliminating the treasurer's position.**
- 2. Council went into executive session to discuss salaries of elected officials.**
- 3. Went into executive sessions for an regarding salaries of non-union personnel. * Request to go into Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120 Sec 2(c)(11) of the Open Meeting Act**
- 4. Went into executive sessions for an Update concerning the public hearing that took place at 5:30 p.m. on 5/13/2024 to address the situation of Ron's Lounge . * Request to go into Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120 Sec 2(c)(11) of the Open Meeting Act**

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 in to Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding must be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

Announcement that there will be be a vote on the executive session topic.

Aldersperson Fero/Bennett Motioned to enter into Executive Session at 7: 26 p.m.

Roll call: Bennett, Branch, Davis, Fero, Trinkka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty MOTION passed 8-0

During the executive session the City Clerk left to inform the citizens that there would not be a vote upon reentering regular session.

Re-enter regular Council Session at 8:09 p.m.

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

Aldersperson Fero/Davis Motion to approve the hiring of Heather Peebles to fill the full-time vacancy of Administration Assistant.

**Roll call: Bennett, Branch, Davis, Fero, Trinkka, Washington, Wilkins and Witty – Yes
MOTION passed 8-0**

Adjournment – With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Fero/Wilkins Motioned to adjourn the meeting 8:10 p.m. by voice vote. MOTION passed by voice. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Luanne Holper, City Clerk