

CITY OF LEWISTON

CITY COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 5, 2019

REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM AT 7:00 P.M.

THE HONORABLE SHANE D. BOUCHARD, MAYOR, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Mayor Bouchard, Councilors Lysen, Pettengill, Rea, Lajoie, Cloutier, Beam and Marcotte, City Administrator Edward Barrett and City Clerk Kathleen Montejo.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**MAYORAL PROCLAMATION HONORING RETIRING EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT AGENCY DIRECTOR JOANNE POTVIN**

Mayor Bouchard read a proclamation recognizing Ms. Potvin for her years of outstanding service as EMA Director for the community. She retired in December after over 20 years of service with this agency. The City wishes her well in her retirement.

VOTE (22-2019)

Motion by Councilor Lysen, seconded by Councilor Lajoie:

To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting of January 22, 2019 and to accept and place them on file as prepared by the City Clerk. Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Miss Pettengill addressed the Council and invited them to attend the Writing Celebration on February 15 at 2:15pm at Geiger Elementary School cafeteria. The third grade students will be presenting books they wrote and illustrated.

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT TRANSFER OF FORFEITURE FUNDS

VOTE (23-2019)

Motion by Councilor Lysen, seconded by Councilor Cloutier:

That pursuant to Title 15, Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, Section 5824(3) and Section 5822(4)(A), the City Council hereby acknowledges and approves of the transfer of \$6,690.00 or any portion thereof, in the case of the State of Maine vs. Victoria Young, CR-18-3694 Court Records and the transfer of \$2,119.00 or any portion thereof, in the case of the State of Maine vs. Jonae Singleton, CR-18-3838, being funds forfeited pursuant to the court process. It is further acknowledged that these funds shall be credited to the 'City of Lewiston Drug Enforcement Program' account. Passed - Vote 7-0

**ORDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A MUNICIPAL QUITCLAIM DEED FOR
REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 45 READ STREET**

VOTE (24-2019)

Motion by Councilor Lysen, seconded by Councilor Cloutier:

To approve the Order authorizing execution of a municipal quitclaim deed for real estate located at 45 Read Street:

Whereas, the owner, David A. McLaughlin, failed to pay his bills on a timely basis for 45 Read Street (Tax Map 125, Lot 048, Parcel 00-004506); and

Whereas, a tax lien was filed on June 16, 2016 (Book 9387 Page 6) and matured on December 16, 2017 in the amount of \$925.88; and

Whereas, payment was received in full;

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordered by the City Council of the City of Lewiston, that a quitclaim deed is hereby authorized to release the City's interest in the property located at 45 Read Street to the owner.

Passed - Vote 7-0

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL
AMUSEMENT PERMIT FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR GENDRON
FRANCO CENTER, 465 CEDAR STREET**

Mayor Bouchard opened the public hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (25-2019)

Motion by Councilor Marcotte, seconded by Councilor Lysen:

To grant a Special Amusement Permit for live entertainment to Gendron Franco Center, 46 Cedar Street. Passed - Vote 7-0

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL
AMUSEMENT PERMIT FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR SEA ASIAN BISTRO,
40 EAST AVENUE**

Mayor Bouchard opened the public hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (26-2019)

Motion by Councilor Lajoie, seconded by Councilor Cloutier:

To grant a Special Amusement Permit for live entertainment to Sea Asian Bistro, 40 East Avenue. Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 LEWISTON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

This public hearing was an opportunity for residents to comment or ask questions about the projects proposed in the LCIP plan. Mayor Bouchard opened the public hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

RESOLVE ACCEPTING THE CITY OF LEWISTON’S COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

VOTE (27-2019)

Motion by Councilor Marcotte, seconded by Councilor Rea:

To approve the Resolve Accepting the City of Lewiston’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2018:

Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lewiston that the City of Lewiston’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, including its General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2017 as prepared by the City Finance Director and the Independent Auditor’s Report thereon prepared by RHR Smith & Company, is hereby accepted in its entirety.

Passed – Vote 7-0

REPORTS AND UPDATES

Councilor Rea thanked everyone who attended and participated in the day of visits from the final candidates for the Superintendent position. She announced the new principal for the new Connor School will be Dr. Sims from Virginia. The LHS Mock Trial Team recently won the Maine state championships and will be heading to the national competition in May. The School Board appropriated funds for their trip. In October, the Martel School building will be turned over to the city. Councilor Rea recently become a representative to the Maine Education Policy Institute.

OTHER BUSINESS

The update on the Fire Station construction project was withdrawn from the agenda pending additional information from the architects.

VOTE (28-2019)

Motion by Councilor Lysen, seconded by Councilor Lajoie:

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To adjourn at 7:25pm. Passed – Vote 7-0

A true record, Attest:

Kathleen M. Montejo, MMC
City Clerk
Lewiston, Maine