

# CITY OF LEWISTON

CITY COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 15, 1998

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

FRANK J. KELLY, COUNCIL PRESIDENT, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Councilors Lynch, Albert, Samson, Bilodeau, Putnam, City Administrator Robert J. Mulready and Assistant City Administrator Peter Crichton.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moment of Silence.

### VOTE (1)

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the September 1, 1998, meeting and to accept and place them on file as prepared by the Deputy City Clerk. Passed - Vote 6-0

### VOTE (2)

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To remove from the table, the minutes of the August 3<sup>rd</sup>, August 11<sup>th</sup>, & August 20<sup>th</sup> meetings. Passed - Vote 6-0

### VOTE (3)

Motion by Councilor Putnam, seconded by Councilor Bilodeau:

To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meetings of August 3<sup>rd</sup>, August 11<sup>th</sup>, and August 20<sup>th</sup>, and to accept and place them on file as prepared by the Deputy City Clerk. Passed - Vote 6-0

It was noted that the tape of the August 11<sup>th</sup> meeting was reviewed and accepted by "We the People".

### PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO TRUCKS AND BUSES ON CERTAIN STREETS

The ordinance pertaining to trucks and buses on certain streets, having had first reading at the meeting of September 1<sup>st</sup>, received its second reading at this time.

### VOTE (4)

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Putnam:

That the ordinance pertaining to prohibiting trucks and buses on certain streets has final passage by a ye and nay vote.  
Passed - Vote 6-0

**AMENDMENT TO THE PROMENADE MALL TIF AGREEMENT**

Richard Metivier, Finance Director, provided background information on the reasons for extending the construction completion date to August 1, 1999.

**VOTE (5)**

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To approve the amendment to the Promenade Mall TIF Agreement extending the completion date to August 1, 1999, and to authorize the City Administrator to sign the agreement on behalf of the City of Lewiston. Passed - Vote 5-1  
Councilor Putnam opposed.

**ELIMINATION OF THE OUTDOOR WARNING SYSTEM**

Peter Van Gagnon, Emergency Management Agency Director, briefed the City Council on his request to eliminate the outdoor warning system, which has been in place since the early 1950's.

**VOTE (6)**

Motion by Councilor Samson, seconded by Councilor Putnam:

To authorize the Androscoggin Emergency Management Agency to dispose of the outdoor warning system. Passed - Vote 6-0

Recessed at 7:35 p.m.

Reconvened to open session at 7:55 p.m.

**EMPOWERMENT ZONE UPDATE**

Development Director Greg Mitchell gave an update on the Empowerment Zone Application. He recognized the co-chairpersons of the Empowerment Zone Steering Committee, Larry Marcoux and Dennis Mason. The Grants Administrator John Bott was also commended for the key role he has been playing. Over 1300 people have participated in this process. Mr. Marcoux explained that the City staff and community

volunteers have worked timelessly to put together a proposal that will be successful.

**VOTE (7)**

Motion by Councilor Samson, seconded by Councilor Lynch:

To authorize the Abused Women's Advocacy Project to use Heritage Park on Wednesday, October 21, 1998, from 7:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon for the YWCA'S 1998 WEEK WITHOUT VIOLENCE, subject to the following conditions:

1. Area to be kept properly cleaned by the Abused Women's Advocacy Project.
2. Security, satisfactory to the Police Chief, to be provided at the expense of the Abused Women's Advocacy Project.

Passed- Vote 6-0

**VOTE (8)**

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To confirm the City Administrator's appointment of Gary Savard, 1241 Sabattus St., to fill the unexpired term of Marc Goulet on the Board of Assessment Review, said term to expire on 12/17/1999. Passed - Vote 6-0

**VOTE (9)**

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Putnam:

To appoint Dennis Mason, 122 Bartlett St. Apt. 3, to fill the unexpired term of Daniel Knowlton on the Planning Board, said term to expire on 1/15/2003. Passed - Vote 6-0

**VOTE (10)**

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To confirm the Mayor's appointment of Winn Brown, 21 Hillview Lane, to fill the unexpired term of Robert Turcotte on the Board of Library Trustees, said term to expire on 1/2/2002. Passed - Vote 6-0

**VOTE (11)**

Motion by Councilor Albert, seconded by Councilor Bilodeau:

To ratify the City Administrator's appointment of Norman,

Hanson & Detroy as the City's legal representative for Worker's Compensation. Passed - Vote 6-0

Christopher Branch, Public Works Director, announced that the joint Lewiston & Auburn Recycling Grant Application has been approved by the State of Maine. He also informed the Mayor and Council about the public meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 16, 1998, to discuss the status of the Veteran's Bridge/Main Street Overpass Project.

**VOTE (12)**

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To go into Executive Session to discuss real estate negotiations. Passed - Vote 6-0

Reconvened to open session.

**VOTE (13)**

Motion by Councilor Putnam, seconded by Councilor Albert:

To adjourn at 9:25 P.M. Passed - Vote 6-0

A true record, Attest:

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Kelly J. Mercier  
Deputy City Clerk  
Lewiston, Maine