

CITY OF LEWISTON

CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 2, 2015

REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM AT 6:00 P.M.

THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. MACDONALD, MAYOR, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Mayor Macdonald, Councilors Dubois, D'Auteuil, Libby, Bouchard, Cloutier, Cayer and Lachance, City Administrator Edward Barrett and City Clerk Kathleen Montejo.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

VOTE (148-2015)

Motion by Councilor Dubois, seconded by Councilor Lachance:

To enter into an Executive Session, pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405(6) (c), to discuss Disposition of Property, of which the premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive bargaining position of the City. Passed - Vote 7-0

Executive Session began at 6:30pm and ended at 6:35pm.

VOTE (149-2015)

Motion by Councilor Dubois, seconded by Councilor Libby:

To enter into an Executive Session pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405 (6) (A) to discuss a personnel matter. Passed - Vote 7-0

Executive Session began at 6:35pm and ended at 7:00pm.

THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. MACDONALD, MAYOR, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Mayor Macdonald, Councilors Dubois, D'Auteuil, Libby, Christ, Cloutier, Cayer and Lachance, City Administrator Edward Barrett and City Clerk Kathleen Montejo.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
Moment of Silence.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

County Commissioner Elaine Makas spoke about the county budget and LD 186 regarding funding for county jails.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL PASSAGE REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO THE
PARKS & RECREATION ORDINANCE TO INCORPORATE THE NEW PETTINGILL
SCHOOL PARK AS A RECOGNIZED CITY PARK**

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

VOTE (150-2015)

Motion by Councilor Libby, seconded by Councilor Cloutier:

That the proposed amendment to the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 54 “Parks and Recreation” regarding the addition of Pettingill School Park to the list of city parks, receive final passage by a roll call vote. Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL PASSAGE REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ANIMALS ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO THE ADDITION OF PETTINGILL SCHOOL PARK

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

VOTE (151-2015)

Motion by Councilor Cayer, seconded by Councilor Libby:

That the proposed amendments to the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14 “Animals”, Article IX “Public Land, Parks and Playgrounds: Control or Prohibition of Domestic Animals”, receive final passage by a roll call vote. Passed - Vote 7-0

AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY POLICY MANUAL FOR MISCELLANEOUS FEES REGARDING A WAIVER OF FEES FOR SOME REPORTS ISSUED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

VOTE (152-2015)

Motion by Councilor Lachance, seconded by Councilor Bouchard:

To approve the proposed amendment to the City Policy, Policy Number 81 – City Department Miscellaneous Fees and Penalties, as recommended by the Chief of Police. Passed - Vote 7-0

ORDER AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE – EDWARD BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

VOTE (153-2015)

Motion by Councilor Cayer, seconded by Councilor Bouchard:

To approve the Order to authorize city staff to apply for and accept funds from the U.S. Department of Justice – Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program:

Whereas, the Lewiston and Auburn Police Departments are eligible to apply for a joint Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$40,959; and

Whereas, in order to apply for these funds, the City must accept the funds if they are awarded and provide opportunities for public feedback and the proposed uses of these funds; and

Whereas, the agencies involved will met and discuss how to spend their portions of this grant as outlined in the attached material from the Chief of Police;

Now Therefore, Be It Ordered by the City Council of the City of Lewiston that staff is hereby authorized to apply for and accept funding through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program subsequent to the receipt, if any, of public feedback on the proposed uses of these funds.

Passed - Vote 7-0

REQUEST FROM THE GREEK FESTIVAL ORGANIZERS TO BORROW “NO PARKING” SIGNS FOR USE DURING THEIR FESTIVAL

VOTE (154-2015)

Motion by Councilor Lachance, seconded by Councilor Cloutier:

To approve the request from The Greek Festival organizers to borrow ten “no parking” signs from the Lewiston Public Works Department for use during their annual Festival on September 10, 11 and 12, 2015. Passed - Vote 7-0

ORDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A MUNICIPAL QUITCLAIM DEED FOR REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 5 MOODY STREET

VOTE (155-2015)

Motion by Councilor Cayer, seconded by Councilor Bouchard:

To approve the Order authorizing execution of a municipal quitclaim deed for real estate located at 5 Moody Street:

Whereas, the owners, Tamara L. Hull and Michael N. Harnden, failed to pay their real estate tax bills on a timely basis at 5 Moody Street (Tax Map 175, Lot 72, Parcel 00-002360); and

Whereas, a tax lien was filed on June 13, 2012 (Book 8417 Page 199) and matured on December 13, 2013 in the amount of \$938.17; and

Whereas, payment was received in full on May 20, 2015;

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordered by the City Council of the City of Lewiston, that a quitclaim for 5 Moody Street be issued to release the City’s interest in the property to the owners.

Passed - Vote 7-0

REPORTS AND UPDATES

No reports or updates were presented at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was presented at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

VOTE (156-2015)

Motion by Councilor Dubois, seconded by Councilor Libby:

To enter into an Executive Session, pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405 (6) (c), to discuss Disposition of Property, of which the premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive bargaining position of the City. Passed - Vote 7-0

Executive Session began at 7:29pm and ended at 8:05pm.

VOTE (157-2015)

Motion by Councilor Lachance, seconded by Councilor Cloutier:

To enter into an Executive Session, pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405 (6) (c), to discuss Acquisition of Property, of which the premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive bargaining position of the City. Passed - Vote 7-0

Executive Session began at 8:05pm and ended at 8:47pm.

VOTE (158-2015)

Motion by Councilor Cloutier, seconded by Councilor Lachance:

To adjourn at 8:48P.M. Passed - Vote 7-0

A true record, Attest:

Kathleen M. Montejo, MMC
City Clerk
Lewiston, Maine