

Lebanon Town Council
Regular Monthly Meeting
Town Hall, Lebanon, VA
Monday, August 12, 2019
6:00 P.M.

Council Members Present: Nelson A. "Tony" Dodi, Mayor
DeAnna C. Jackson, Vice- Mayor
J. Hassel Kegley, Council Member
A. Doyle Fields, Council Member
Kevin B. Ferguson, Council Member
Scott J. Gilmer, Council Member
Mary J. Stanley, Council Member

Staff Members Present: Mark A. Mitchell, Town Manager/Chief of Police
A. Diane Nunley, Clerk of Council
Kevin D. Tiller, Town Attorney

I. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dodi.

II. Prayer: Mr. Mitchell

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Edit for items not on the agenda:

Mr. Mitchell requested to add under Public Request Eddie Simeon with Fleet Enterprise.

Upon motion made by Mr. Fields, seconded by Mr. Kegley, the agenda with amended changes was unanimously approved. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

V. Edit and approve minutes from the 07/03/19 regular council meeting, 07/29/19 called meeting.

Upon motion made by Mr. Kegley, seconded by Ms. Stanley, the minutes from the 07/03/19 regular council meeting, 07/29/19 called meeting was unanimously approved. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

VI. Approve accounts payable and capital assets for the month of July

Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Kegley, the accounts payable for the month of July was unanimously approved. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

VII. Public Hearing:

Resolution authorizing the issuance of up to \$2,500,000 in principal amount of a general obligation bond.

- A. Enter into public hearing: 6:06 P.M.
- B. Dan Siegel, attorney with Sands Anderson, discussed the terms and conditions concerning the resolution authorizing the issuance of up to \$2,500,000 general obligation bond.
- C. No public comment.
- D. Closed public hearing: 6:12 P.M.

VIII. Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Ms. Stanley, the Town Council unanimously voted to approve the resolution as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Fields, the Town Council unanimously voted to approve for Mr. Mitchell to withdraw \$50,000 of the bond issuance to be used for community development. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

IX. Public Hearing:

Increase Meals & Lodging tax by 1%

- A. Enter into public hearing: 6:14 P.M.
- B. No public comment.
- C. Closed public hearing: 6:15 P.M.

X. Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, the Town Council unanimously voted to increase the meals and lodging tax from six (6) percent to seven (7) percent.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

XI. Public Request

- A. People Incorporated – Emma Buchanan

Ms. Buchanan, Community Development Specialist, presented ideas for the Russell Theater explaining how People Incorporated could provide free assistance to the Town of Lebanon to receive grants to revitalize the property. Ms. Buchanan requested a MOU between People Incorporated and the Town of Lebanon. The council agreed for Mayor Dodi and Mr. Mitchell to meet with Ms. Buchanan.

B. Prevention Coalition – Dustin Keith

Mr. Keith was not able to attend the meeting.

XII. Recess: 6:28 P.M.

XIII. Resume: 6:42 P.M.

IX. Continue Public Request

C. Kelly McBride Delph with the Russell County Library spoke concerning the Photo Scan Day, you can bring your old photos to scan and help preserve Russell County history.

D. Eddie Simeon with Enterprise Fleet Management, highlighted how government entities and municipalities can reduce operating cost and refresh their fleets without any impact on their current budgets. Enterprise Fleet Management's proposal is to save the locality's resources and budget dollars through a managed vehicle program. Mr. Simeon suggested this program is a solution to better manage its aging fleet because older vehicles have higher fuel costs, maintenance costs and tend to be unreliable.

X. Town Manager Report

Mr. Mitchell requested the authorization from the council to waive Cumberland Plateau Regional Housing Authority's payment in lieu of taxes for Pittston Place Apartments and Fox Meadows Apartments.

Upon motion made by Mr. Kegley, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, the Town Council unanimously voted to authorize Mr. Mitchell to waive Cumberland Plateau Regional Housing Authority's payment in lieu of taxes for Pittston Place Apartments and Fox Meadows Apartment. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

Mr. Mitchell advised that he needed to speak with the council in closed session concerning a legal issue.

XI. Town Attorney Report

Mr. Tiller requested to speak with the council in closed session.

XII. New Business – None

XIII. Recess: 7:14 P.M.

XIV. Resume: 7:24 P.M.

XV. Enter closed session: 7:24 P.M.

- A. Upon motion made by Mr. Fields, seconded by Mr. Kegley, the Town Council unanimously voted to go into closed session under Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(1)(3)(7) for the purpose of discussing personnel, acquisition or sale of property and legal issues. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.
- B. Upon motion made by Mr. Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Kegley, the Town Council unanimously voted to return to regular session. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.
- C. A. Diane Nunley, Clerk of Council, presented the Roll Call Vote:

Virginia Code, 1950, Section 2.2-3712(D)

Do you certify that to the best of your knowledge, (1) the Town Council in its' closed session; only discussed public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this Chapter and (2) that only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting by the Town Council. Any member of the Town Council who believes that there was a departure from the requirements of clauses (1) and (2), shall so state prior to the vote, indicating the substance of the departure that, in their judgment, has taken place.

The roll call vote was as follows: Mayor Dodi, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye; Mr. Tiller, Aye; Mr. Mitchell, Aye.

XVI. Adjourn closed session: 7:55 P.M.

XVII. Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Ms. Stanley, the Town Council unanimously voted to amend the Town of Lebanon purchasing policy #2017-01 by removing one (1) of the required quotes shall be from eVa website should that item be listed from item two (2) and item three (3). The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

XVIII. Upon motion made by Mr. Fields, seconded by Mr. Kegley, the Town Council unanimously voted to hire T. J. Worthington as a Lebanon Community Police Officer. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

XIX. Upon motion made by Mr. Fields, seconded by Ms. Stanley, the Town Council unanimously voted to hire Aaron Jones as a Lebanon Community Police Officer. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

XX. Bicentennial Committee

Ms. Powers discussed the Scott Miller event and Car Show.

Ms. Powers presented the council with several groups that Ken Martin from SRO Production suggested for the upcoming 2020 events.


XXI. Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Ms. Stanley, the Town Council unanimously voted to withdraw the CD from First Bank & Trust Bank and deposit into the general savings account at First Bank & Trust Bank until all rate opinions was checked and a decision was made. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

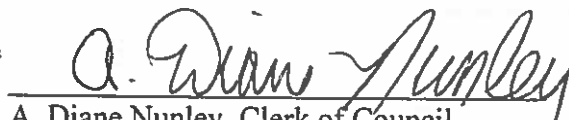
XXII. Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, the Town Council unanimously voted to purchase new downtown signs from Eco Signs at the quoted price amount of \$1,471.72 and new street poles with accessories from Metal Craft at the quoted price amount of \$7,376.51. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

XXIII. Upon motion made by Ms. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, the Town Council voted to purchase Christmas Wreaths and lights from Mosca Design at the quoted price for \$22,691.30. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Nay; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.

XXIV. Adjourn: 8:46 P.M.

Upon motion made by Mr. Kegley, seconded by Ms. Jackson, the Town Council unanimously voted to adjourn. The vote was as follows: Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Fields, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Ferguson, Aye; Ms. Stanley, Aye.


Nelson A. "Tony" Dodi, Mayor


A. Diane Nunley, Clerk of Council

Minutes recorded by: A. Diane Nunley, Clerk of Council
Minutes prepared by: A. Diane Nunley, Clerk of Council