

Lebanon Town Council  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
Town Hall, Lebanon, Virginia  
Monday, January 8, 2024  
6:00 P.M.

Council Members Present: Nelson A. "Tony" Dodi, Mayor  
DeAnna C. Jackson, Vice- Mayor  
Scott J. Gilmer, Council Member  
M. Elijah Leonard, Council Member  
W. Bradley Lambert, Council Member  
J. Leonard Kegley, Council Member  
Nina J. Fields, Council Member

Staff Members Present: Andrew R. Shortt, Town Manager  
Kevin D. Tiller, Town Attorney  
Christopher Snead, Lieutenant  
A. Diane Nunley, Clerk of Council

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

II. Prayer: Shawn Street

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Edit for items not on the agenda:

Upon motion made by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Lambert, the agenda was unanimously approved. The vote was as follows: Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, Aye.

V. Edit and approve minutes from the 12/11/23 council meeting:

Upon motion made by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Lambert, the minutes from the 12/11/23 council meeting were unanimously approved. The vote was as follows: Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, Aye.

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

Mr. Shortt requested to add Accounts Payable Preliminary Report B.

Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Ms. Jackson, the accounts payable for the month of December including the accounts payable preliminary report B was unanimously approved. The vote was as follows: Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, Aye.

VII. Recognition

**Cherie and Janet Fields-Certificate of Appreciation**

Mayor Dodi read the Donation Appreciation Plaque for Cherie and Janet Fields for their donation of \$8,000.00 to help erect a Department of Criminal Justice Services Training Facility for the Lebanon Police Department. Mr. Leonard will deliver the plaque to Cherie and Janet Fields due to sickness they were not able to attend the meeting.

Upon motion made by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Ms. Jackson, the Town Council unanimously voted to approve the Certificate of Appreciation to Cherie and Janet Fields as presented. The vote was as follows: Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, Aye.

**Lebanon High School Boys Cross Country Team**

Mayor Dodi presented certificates to recognize the Lebanon High School Boys Cross Country Team for being the 2023 Virginia High School League Class 2A Boys Cross Country Champion. The recognitions are as follows:

Derek Mitchell	First Place
Eli Taylor	Seventh Place
Alec Deckard	Tenth Place
Carter Dillon	Eighteenth Place
Blake Chafin	Fifty-Fourth Place
Emmitt Breeding	LHS Boys Cross Country Team Member
Charlie Brown	LHS Boys Cross Country Team Member
Owen Jones	LHS Boys Cross Country Team Member
Travis Hooker	Coach for the Lebanon High School Boys Cross Country Team

**Charles “Doc” Adams 2023 Hall of Fame**

Mayor Dodi presented a resolution plaque to recognize Charles “Doc” Adams for being selected as the 2023 Virginia Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Leonard, the Town Council unanimously voted to approve the 2023 Hall of Fame Resolution for Charles “Doc” Adams as presented. The vote was as follows: Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, Aye.

VIII. Recess: 6:24 P.M.

IX. Resume: 6:29 P.M.

X. Public Request

**Svitlana Boyd**

Svitlana Boyd stated that after the court hearing in September, she tried to rezone the property on Viers Court from R-1 Single Family District to R-2 General Dwelling District so she could apply for a conditional use permit to place a manufactured home on the property. She stated that at the public hearing five individuals spoke in favor to rezone her property and no one spoke in opposition. Ms. Boyd read the letter dated November 2, 2023, from the Planning Commission decision regarding rezoning of her property on Viers Court. Ms. Boyd questioned why she was not notified concerning the November 2, 2023, Planning Commission meeting plus she would like the recording at the meeting. She stated that by Virginia Law a recording must be provided for every public hearing. She stated that no one has ever given her an answer as to why her property cannot be rezoned. Ms. Boyd presented a letter written by Mr. Leonard several years ago supporting a modular home in the subdivision of Homestead. She questioned what was different between that situation and her situation. Mr. Leonard advised that a Modular Home is built to Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code, but a Manufactured Home is built to HUD code plus the modular home was in violation of Homestead Covenants not Town restrictions.

XI. New Business

No New Business.

XII. Town Managers Report

Mr. Shortt advised that he only had items for closed session unless any Town Council member had any questions regarding any of the Town's projects. Mr. Shortt advised that the Lane Group is working on the storm drainage issue at the CGI area.

XIII. Enter closed session: 6:41 P.M.

- A. Upon motion made by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Lambert, the Town Council unanimously voted to go into closed session under Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) (7) for the purpose of personnel, and legal counsel. The vote was as follows: Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, Aye.
- B. Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Leonard, the Town Council unanimously voted to return to regular session. The vote was as follows: Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, 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; Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, Aye; Mr. Tiller, Aye; Mr. Shortt, Aye.

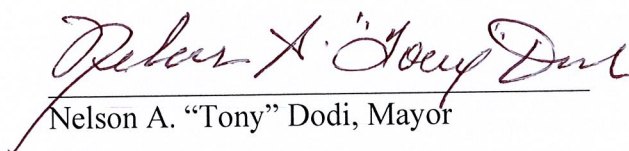
XIV. Adjourn closed session: 7:12 P.M.

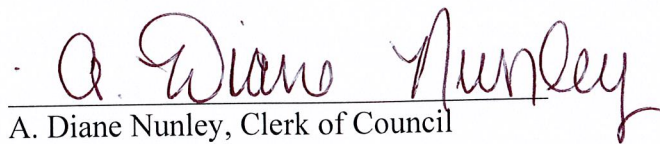
XV. Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Kegley, the Town Council unanimously voted to promote Timothy Duty to full-time sanitation at a rate of \$14.72 per hour. The vote was as follows: Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, Aye.

Upon motion made by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Leonard, the Town Council unanimously voted to approve the remaining payment to Osborne Design Studio with the written contingency as discussed in closed session. The vote was as follows: Ms. Jackson, Aye; Mr. Gilmer, Aye; Mr. Leonard, Aye; Mr. Lambert, Aye; Mr. Kegley, Aye; Ms. Fields, Aye.

XVI. Adjourn: 7:13 P.M.

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