

LEWISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE November 10, 2015

The Lewistown City Council met in regular session in the council chambers. Mayor R. John King called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Alderman Ford, Kelley, Weese, Barclay, Burget, Spotloe and Mayor R. John King. Also present: Wendy Martin from the Fulton Democrat, Michelle Sherman from Canton Daily Ledger, City Treasurer Debby Brown, City Administrator Alicia Campbell, City Clerk Cindy Goddard, John Lund, Elmer Littlefield Jr., Bennie Ademi, John Ademi, and Tommy Boone.

MINUTES:

Alderman Ford made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2015 meeting, Seconded by Alderman Weese, the motion carried with all ayes.

CLERKS REPORT: Nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nothing to report

BILLS:

Alderman Barclay made a motion to approve all bills properly endorsed; Seconded by Alderman Burget roll call vote, the motion carried with all ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS:

Tommy Boone spoke to the council regarding the Henderson property at 415 West Ave C, Lewistown. He requested a meeting with Aldermen Ford and Kelley, the mayor, and chief of police to discuss getting the property cleaned up. According to the Mayor they can do something about the cars that are not moveable, but not enough money to do much else, the funds are too low at this time. The Mayor is sending the Chief of Police down to check on cars. Barclay explains that it is up to the court system to enforce the tickets that have already been issued.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No attorney present.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: No Engineer present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance – Alderman Ford: Nothing to report.

Sewer – Alderman Weese: Nothing to report.

Street & Alley – Alderman Burget: Nothing to report.

Police/ESDA – Alderman Spotloe: Nothing to report.

Water – Alderman Barclay: Three pages of delinquent water bills, around five bills that have had no payments since September. Wanted to know why they haven't had a report presented till now.

Utilities/Publications – Alderman Kelley: Nothing to report.

Buildings and Grounds – Alderman Kelley: Nothing to report.

Tourism – Mayor King: Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Vote on TIF Agreement with Fulton County for American Legion Building - They amount of \$71,000.00 was presented for improvements. No county representative was at the council meeting to request the TIF money. Alderman Burget suggested \$30,000.00, with stipulation if they move out the city gets the building or they pay the money back. Alderman Ford stated that regarding the amount of the funds left that is the most the city could do. The city needs enough left to fix the sidewalk. Alderman Spotloe was worried about depleting the funds, but it will replenish itself each year. (\$72,000.00 to 75,000.00 a year comes in).

Alderman Kelley suggested \$25,000.00 with the same stipulation. A motion was made by Alderman Burget to give Fulton County \$25,000.00 with stipulation that if they leave they have to pay it back at that time (ASAP), seconded by Alderman Kelley, roll call, Alderman Ford yes, Kelley yes, Weese, yes, Barclay no, Burget yes, and Spotloe yes, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Adopt Resolution for Christmas parade on December 5, 2015 Alderman Ford made motion to adopt Resolution to allow the Christmas parade on December 5, 2015, seconded by Spotloe, roll call vote, motion carried with all ayes.
- B. Vote to allow Christmas trees in Porter Park from December 1, 2015 to January 1, 2016. Alderman Spotloe made motion to allow the Christmas trees in Porter Park from December 1, 2015 to January 1, 2016, seconded Burget, roll call vote, and motion carried with all ayes.
- C. Review TIF Façade Application and TIF Application (low % loan) for The Garden Restaurant located at 612 South Main Street (John Ademi and Bennie Ademi) The Garden Restaurant owners are adding on a room where the playground was located. Alderman Spotloe made a motion to give The Garden

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Restaurant the Façade money in the amount of \$5,000.00, seconded by Barclay, roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.

- D. Discuss selling ESDA vehicle and replacing it with Police Explorer - table till next time. Keep ESDA vehicle for backpack program. Police department wants a truck, \$26,500.00 as base price (new) without conversion or \$25,800.00 for car. Tabled.

Free Thanksgiving dinner from 11:00 to 2:00 at Visitors Center

ADJOURNMENT:

Alderman Barclay made a motion to adjourn at 7:04 p.m.; Seconded by Alderman Burget motion carried all ayes.

Cindy Goddard, City Clerk