

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date April 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The Lewistown City Council met in the council chambers for the finance committee meeting.

PRESENT: Alderman Ford, Weese, Spotloe, Mayor R. John King, city clerk, Cindy Goddard, city treasurer Debbie Brown, city administrator Alicia Campbell, and police chief John Werland.

Alderman Ford states there is a \$.50 raise for all employees included on the budget, except \$1.50 raise for Evann, budget includes insurance costs, and new street department employee, budget still balanced after these items added. If city goes to four full time officers this would increase budget. Alderman Ford suggests that Amanda Woodruff in water department get a raise of possibly \$1.50 also, (King said she may be leaving, not sure), same as Evann, Mayor King agreed.

Chief Werland said Adkins may be leaving. King asked if new officer would be in union, no one in it at this time. \$31,200.00 is starting wage for new officer. No one in mind at this time will have to take applications. Proposal by Werland, switch up holidays between all officers, (because previously he worked both Thanksgiving and Christmas), if regular day off than get it off, if have to work get time and half or overtime as comp time. Just suggestions.

Grass clippings and junk discussed, zoning officer Kachanick from Havana, could come to Lewistown and explain their ordinances regarding grass and junk.

Alderman Ford made motion to adjourn finance committee at 6:29 p.m., all ayes.

LEWISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE April 26, 2016

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: Aldermen Ford, Weese, Spotloe and Mayor R. John King. Also present: Wendy Martin from the Fulton Democrat, Andrea Klinedinst from Canton Daily Ledger, City Treasurer Debbie Brown, City Administrator Alicia Campbell, City Clerk Cindy Goddard, Chief of Police John Werland, Josh Adkins, Jerry McCoy, Janet Weber, John Weber, Jerry Ford, and Andrea Ford. ABSENT: Aldermen Barclay, Kelley and Burget.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM by Mayor King

MINUTES:

Alderman Ford made a motion to approve the minutes and the **closed session** minutes of the April 12, 2016 meeting, Seconded by Alderman Spotloe, the motion carried with all ayes.

CLERKS REPORT: Nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nothing to report

BILLS:

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS:

Jerry McCoy, lives on the corner of Patton and Broadway, he states there is a huge bump there, was filled in once but came back, when city trucks and all large trucks go past and hit the bump it causes his house to shake, he now has three windows broke, he is not positive that is was caused it but thinks it is, also curb is breaking away. Patton Street dead end dirt street, with gravel and is not maintained. It gets large mud holes when it rains because the water does not go down the small drain. With the drain being too small the water runs into his garage. He is asking the city to fix the drain, the large bump (hole) and curb. City Administrator is to call him the next day (313-506-7698) to try and get some of these items looked at and fixed.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Nathan Collins. No attorney present.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: No Engineer present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance – Alderman Ford: Nothing new to report, already went over at the finance committee meeting. All agreed to meet at 6:15 p.m. on May 10, 2016.

Sewer – Alderman Weese: Nothing to report.

Street & Alley – Alderman Burget: Absent

Police/ESDA – Alderman Spotloe: Nothing to report. Chief Werland stated he has been looking at new vehicles, pricing them and will trade in old one.

Water – Alderman Barclay: Absent

Utilities/Publications – Alderman Kelley: Absent.

Buildings and Grounds – Alderman Kelley: Absent.

Tourism – Mayor King: Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Approve Myers & Myers Engagement letter as new CPA. To replace John Frye current CPA Alderman Spotloe made a motion to approve Myers & Myers as new CPA, second by Alderman Ford, roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.
- B. Jeff Freeman to inquire about Gaming Café and Liquor license. Not present.
- C. Jerry Ford to address Council about Taxicab Ordinance, There is no chauffeur license that exists in the state of IL. Mr. Ford states a CDL license can carry 15 occupants according to state law. There was a copy of Canton's ordinance for aldermen to look at. Need to create a new Ordinance for Lewistown previous one was from around the 1930's. Alderman Ford wants to know what the city liability is if a wreck occurs. Chief Werland wants to know if it is ok under old ordinance for Mr. Ford to begin his business. Answer was no, has to wait, based on the attorney's approval. He will have to show his insurance card, pay the application fee, furnish valid drivers license and sticker for plate. Jerry Ford states he is going to be the only driver. City needs to furnish a sticker for windshield. This will be tabled at this time to get revised ordinance written up, will give him approval after talking to attorney to go ahead and start before next meeting.
- D. Discuss mowing issues - Quite a few yards getting to tall like always, per Mayor King, that need mowed already. Should city hire someone to mow or have city employees mow? Some yards are almost too tall already. Possibly make a list of people wanting to mow, take 2 bids, hourly or by the yard? Alicia stated maybe have employees mow them this time, and then get bids and list made. Tabled till next meeting.
- E. Discuss ADA ramp for sidewalks at the VA building, Alderman Ford stated if they want handicap ramps then have county pay for them. Motion carried all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT:

Alderman Spotloe made a motion to adjourn at 6:58 p.m. Seconded by Alderman Weese, motion carried all ayes.