

LEWISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DATE December 13, 2022

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

Invocation: Paul Walmsley

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Alderperson Sally Clark, Jim Long, Brad Ward, Kendall Miller, Kim Pascal, John Spotloe and Mayor Doug Lafary. Also present: City Clerk Cindy Goddard, and City Treasurer Debby Brown

DECLARATION OF QUORUM by Mayor Doug Lafary

CLERKS REPORT/MINUTES: Cindy Goddard.

Alderperson Long made a motion to approve the minutes of November 22, 2022, second by Alderperson Clark the motion carried all ayes.

Alderperson Clark made a motion to approve the closed session minutes of November 22, 2022, second by Alderperson Long, the motion carried all ayes.

Report- Going to try and apply for some funding thru Illinois Basin Funding will tell us if any grants are out there to apply for. I am going to submit 3 one for Visitors Center for floor, roof and door repair, also for City Hall tuck point. Keith Plavec was here today and said that the one we could probably get would be for Residential House demo, to get addressed of what houses we would like to demo and try to get money for those.

Will put thank you in the paper for the donations that helped us put on the Halloween activities and "Downtown Christmas".

If anyone is interested in moving the E. L Masters house Billy Wilhelm will help pay to move it. (\$5,000.00)

TREASURER'S REPORT: Debbie Brown. October budget report given to Aldermen.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Nathan Collins. Absent.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Keith Plavec. No Engineer present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Insurance/Zoning – Alderperson Clark: Nothing to report.

Sewer – Alderperson Spotloe: Nothing to report.

Streets & Allies – Alderperson Miller: Nothing to report.

Police/ESDA – Alderperson Ward: Nothing to report.

Water – Alderperson Miller: Three different water leaks the city crew is working on.

Utilities/Publications – Alderperson Long: Nothing new to report.

Public Buildings & Grounds – Alderperson Long: Evinn and workers have been cleaning up down by wastewater, looks a lot better.

Tourism – Alderman Pascal: A lot of people are complementing the Christmas trees.

Tax Increment Financing – Alderperson Spotloe: Nothing at this time.

Citizens Committee – Amanda Smith the Bustos funding should be pushed thru by the end of the year. Joe Carruthers is working with Evinn on what the money will be used for. Ten applicants will need to attend the Public Meeting before the regular council meeting on January 10, a resolution has to be passed at that meeting also to support the Community Development Housing Rehabilitation Grant. Amanda has them lined up already.

Christmas Committee - Kenny Haacke said 66 Christmas trees this year, last year 40. All lit. Santa and games were in the Church. Regarding the side x sides, we had 9 decorated and lit up. Parade was good, this year it was a test for both. Thanked Farm King for letting us buy the trees. The face boards were fun. Will get a horse and buggy reserved at this time for next year.

WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Evinn Palmer Director - absent

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Act Upon the Tax Levy Ordinance - Discussed at last meeting, no increase, motion by Alderperson Spotloe to approve the Tax Levy Ordinance, second by Alderperson Long, roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Act Upon City Council Meetings Schedule for 2023 – Motion by Alderperson Miller to approve the City Council Meetings Schedule for 2023, second by Alderperson Long, all approved.
2. Discuss/Act Upon Police and Full Time Employees paid Holidays Off Schedule for 2023 – Motion by Alderperson Clark to approve the Police and Full Time Employees paid Holidays Off Schedule for 2023, second by Alderperson Long, all approved.

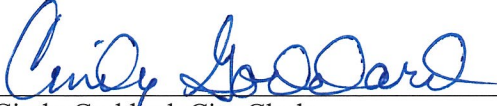
PRESENTATION OF BILLS:

Alderperson Ward made a motion to approve all bills properly endorsed; Seconded by Alderperson Long roll call vote, the motion carried with all ayes.

CLOSED SESSION: No closed session

ADJOURNMENT:

Alderperson Clark made a motion to adjourn at 7:08 p.m.; Seconded by Alderperson Long motion carried all ayes.


Cindy Goddard, City Clerk