

April 20, 2017

President Pro-Temp Rex Castle called the regular meeting of the London City Council to order. He led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and observed a moment of silent reflection.

**CLERK ROLL CALL:** Trint Hatt, present; Rex Castle, present; Brenda Russell, present; Dick Minner, present; Lora Long, present; Josh Peters, present; Megan Douglas, present.

**MINUTES** of the previous meeting were approved as received. All were in favor by responding "aye".

**COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** Motion by Hatt to adjourn to a public hearing for Resolution No. 122-17, second by Long. Roll to adjourn to public hearing: Castle, yes; Russell, yes; Minner, yes; Long, yes; Peters, yes; Douglas, yes; Hatt, yes.

There were no audience concerns. No discussion.

Motion by Hatt to reconvene the regular meeting, second by Peters. Roll to reconvene meeting: Russell, yes; Minner, yes; Long, yes; Peters, yes; Douglas, yes; Hatt, yes; Castle, yes.

**AUDIENCE CONCERNS:** None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilwoman Douglas attended the public safety meeting.

Councilman Peters attended the public service meeting and announced that the next meeting is May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Councilwoman Long attended the public service meeting.

President Pro-Temp Castle attended the finance committee and city properties meetings.

Councilwoman Russel attended the public service meeting. She gave an update on the pool. They are looking at pool rules, pre-season ticket discount, day care, grandparent pass and hospital rehab use. The swim team will be contracting with the recreation department for pool meets.

There's been discussion of having a dog park and looking at placing grills at the park.

There's been some vandalism at Merrimac. There's been a \$1,000 donation toward building a fence.

The street department has been busy trimming trees and removing limbs from the bike trail, just to name a few things. They are also very busy helping with the recreation department. There is great collaboration between the two departments.

Councilman Hatt attended the finance and public safety committee meetings. The auditor gave an update at the finance committee meeting and requested that council suspend rules to adopt the auditor's warrant on the agenda this evening.

Officer Alexander has resigned from the police department to take a position with the Columbus police department. The department is down one employee. Service calls are up 17% from last year.

The Fire Department is conducting part time employees' orientation. They are purchasing thermal masks with built in cameras.

**CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS:** Safety Service Director Joe Mosier reminded everyone that any signage, postings, displays being put in "triangle" park (the "Y" intersection at Elm and Lafayette), need to be coordinated with the mayor's administrative assistant, Amy Reese first.

The street department borrowed ODOT's "rock hound" equipment. It's made a big improvement at Merrimac ball fields.

The Merrimac shelter house has been painted.

The next finance committee meeting is May 15<sup>th</sup>; public safety-May 16, and city properties'-April 26.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

ORDINANCE 134-16 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,550,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENOVATING AND IMPROVING AN EXISTING FACILITY FOR MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES, INCLUDING SITE IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO; FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING THE SAME; AND ACQUIRING LAND AND INTERESTS IN LAND AS NECESSARY IN CONNECTION THERETO; AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING RELATED MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS Sponsored by: Rex Castle  
**TABLED.**

ORDINANCE 122-17 Sponsored by: London Planning Commission AN ORDINANCE AMENDING 1268 OF THE ZONING CODE Motion by Long to place on third reading, second by Hatt. Clerk read.

Motion by Hatt to adopt, second by Russell. Roll to adopt: Minner, yes; Long, yes; Peters, yes; Douglas, yes; Hatt, yes; Castle, yes; Russell, yes.

**ADOPTED**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

RESOLUTION 131-17 Sponsored by: Rex Castle A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AUDITOR'S WARRANT FOR PAYMENT Motion by Hatt to place on first reading, second by Russell. Clerk read.

Motion by Russell to suspend rules, second by Hatt. Roll to suspend: Long, yes; Peters, yes; Douglas, yes; Hatt, yes; Castle, yes; Russell, yes; Minner, yes. **SUSPENDED**

Motion by Russell to adopt, second by Hatt. Roll to adopt: Peters, yes; Douglas, yes; Hatt, yes; Castle, yes; Russell, yes; Minner, yes; Long, yes.

**ADOPTED.**

RESOLUTION 132-17 Sponsored by: Trint Hatt A RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS Motion by Russell to place on first reading, second by Douglas. Clerk read. Councilman Hatt explained that the police department is purchasing a portable radar machine with donations from COBRA. This machine is fully purchased by donations, no expense to the city.

Need to have funds appropriated before COBRA's come in.

Motion by Hatt to suspend rules, second by Russell. Roll to suspend: Douglas, yes; Hatt, yes; Castle, yes; Russell, yes; Minner, yes; Long, yes; Peters, yes. **SUSPENDED.**

Motion by Russell to adopt, second by Hatt. Roll to adopt: Hatt, yes; Castle, yes; Russell, yes; Minner, yes; Long, yes; Peters, yes; Douglas, yes.

**ADOPTED.**

RESOLUTION 133-17 Sponsored by: Josh Peters A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR A GRANT THROUGH THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) Motion by Russell to place on first reading, second by Hatt. Clerk read. Councilman Peters explained that this is a grant application is due May 1<sup>st</sup>. If the city is awarded the grant, it will be used towards sidewalks and multi-purpose walking path along Park Avenue.

Motion by Peters to suspend rules, second by Long. Roll to suspend: Castle, yes; Russell, yes; Minner, yes; Long, yes; Peters, yes; Douglas, yes; Hatt, yes. **SUSPENDED.**

Motion by Russell to adopt, second by Hatt. Roll to adopt: Russell, yes; Minner, yes; Long, yes; Peters, yes; Douglas, yes; Hatt, yes; Castle, yes.

**ADOPTED.**

**ROUND TABLE :**

Councilman Hatt reminded everyone of the finance committee meeting May 15 and public safety May 16.

Councilwoman Russell thanked everyone for coming in this evening. She asked for more information regarding the CHIP program.

Mr. Mosier replied that Sissy Wiseman, county commissioners' office, is the contact person.

Mrs. Russell asked if there would be a public hearing.

Mr. Mosier said there would just be a voice vote at the commissioners' regular Monday meetings.

President Pro-Temp reminded everyone of the April 26 city properties meeting and thanked everyone for coming in this evening.

Councilman Minner asked about the curb situation on Keny Boulevard.

Mr. Mosier said they have been trying to contact the contractor. The contractor's period to protest has expired, so the city should be able to get the funds.

Mr. Castle asked if the funds could be released without litigation.

Mr. Mosier said they are trying.

Councilman Douglas thanked everyone from coming in this evening. She asked about Brightway mowing their property.

Mr. Mosier said that he had been in contact him just today and they are planning to mow this weekend.

**ADJOURN:** Motion by Castle to adjourn.

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Arlene Duffey, Clerk of Council

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Rex Castle, President Pro-Temp