

October 9, 2017

President Joe Russell called the special meeting of the London City Council to order. He led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and observed a moment of silent reflection.

**MAYOR CALLED ROLL:** 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".

**AUDIENCE CONCERNS:** Doug Pyles, 323 Bishop Drive, London, addressed council. He commended Mayor Closser, Safety Service Director Joe Mosier, and the street department for the fine job they are doing with the flooding situation.

He shared his concerns regarding the old storm water utility fund proposal and hoped that council would not use it.

He shared that he knows the details quite well having discussed it with the previous engineer. He explained that the condo association would be treated the same as Kroger, or Stanley, or Staples, as a separate entity. Condo residents would have had to pay \$5.61/month, compared to a city resident of \$4.00/month.

He explained that the condos maintain their own water storm system, not the city. All their output goes into the Wheeler Ditch.

"To charge us \$5.61 for something we are not using is not fair." He asked that council please not use this. The condo association will not be treated fairly and he will resist it the same way as before. The condo residents need to be treated as a single household.

Councilman Peters asked Mr. Pyles if they pay a maintenance fee to the county for the Wheeler ditch. He shared that Amherst residents do.

Mr. Pyles replied that they do pay a maintenance fee.

Councilman Minner agreed with Mr. Pyles that it is not fair to the condo association the way the proposal is currently written.

Mayor Closser thanked Mr. Pyles for coming in and acknowledged that he is a great wealth of information. The old information being brought forward is just a loose guideline

Mayor Closser said he wasn't here when the old proposal was developed, but understood there were many issues that upset a multitude of other people and how to fund it.

He added that President Russell is starting up a committee for this and would love Mr. Pyles to be a part of it. The old proposal is not being resurrected!

**RESOLUTION 163-17** Sponsored by: Rex Castle A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AUDITOR'S WARRANT FOR PAYMENT Motion by Peters to place on second reading, second by Russell. Mayor read.

Councilman Castle explained that this is a bill from last year and the p.o. was done correctly. The invoice just never made its way to the auditor's office.

Councilman Castle motioned to replace Section II with the emergency clause: "That this resolution is hereby declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the city to take effect and be in full force immediately upon passage. Motion second by Hatt.

Roll to amend: Peters, yes; Long, yes; Minner, yes; Russell, yes; Castle, yes; Hatt, yes; Douglas, yes.

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

**SUSPENDED.**

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

**ADOPTED.**

RESOLUTION 164-17 Sponsored by: Rex Castle A RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS  
Motion by Peters to place on second reading, second by Douglas. Mayor read.

Motion by Castle to amend to replace Section II with the emergency clause: "That this resolution is hereby declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the city to take effect and be in full force immediately upon passage. Motion second by Russell.

Roll to amend: Russell, yes; Castle, yes; Hatt, yes; Douglas, yes; Peters, yes; Long, yes; Minner, yes.

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

**SUSPENDED.**

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

**ADOPTED.**

RESOLUTION 165-17 Sponsored by: Rex Castle A RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS  
Motion by Russell to place on second reading, second by Douglas. Mayor read.

Councilman Castle explained that this is to appropriate funds for the 20 South Walnut Street remodeling project. It will be cheaper to do the ceiling in the multi-purpose room when the duct work is installed.

This is coming from the Walnut Street fund, not the general fund.

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

**SUSPENDED.**

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

**ADOPTED**

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

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Arlene Duffey, Clerk of Council

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Joseph Russell, President