

City Council Meeting July 1, 2024

City Council met in person for regular session on Monday July 1, 2024, and streamed live over YouTube and Facebook, in Lock Haven, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Long who opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called and present were Council Members Heather Alexander, Tami Brannan, Jeffrey Brinker, Richard Conklin, Barbara Masorti, Steve Stevenson, and Mayor Joel Long.

Also in attendance was City Manager Greg Wilson, City Planner and Development Coordinator Abbey Roberts, and Director of Community Life Kasey Campbell. Guests in attendance were Joshua Hudson, Emily Wright of the Record, Elsa Winch, Carl Williamson, Catrina Armstrong, and Kristen Conklin.

COUNCIL MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Ms. Masorti, and carried unanimously, the minutes from the June 17, 2024 meeting were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

Council considered Res. No. 2024-20 banner request for Ross Library Annual Book Sale. **On a motion made by Ms. Masorti, seconded by Ms. Brannan, and carried unanimously, the resolution was adopted.**

Council considered the annual requests from the Lock Haven Regatta Foundation for the closure of E Water Street for the Labor Day Regatta. **On a motion made by Dr. Brinker, seconded by Ms. Masorti, and carried unanimously, the request was approved.**

Council considered the request for a donation to Hope's Dream Rescue & Sanctuary for their Trap-Neuter-Return program in the city. Catrina Armstrong from Hope's Dream Rescue and Sanctuary presented to Council and answered questions regarding the request. **On a motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Ms. Masorti, and carried unanimously, the request was approved in the amount of \$2,500.00, contingent on the funds being used only in the City of Lock Haven, with a three-month review to provide an update, at which time Council will consider additional funding if necessary.**

Council considered the of use of Triangle Park by the Clinton County Pride Alliance and Roads to Peace for Pride in the Haven rain date of July 21, 2024. **On a motion made by Ms. Masorti, seconded by Ms. Brannan, and carried unanimously, the request was approved.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council considered Ordinance No. 2024-02 providing for the widening of a portion of James Alley. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Ms. Brannan, and carried unanimously, the ordinance was adopted on second reading.**

Council considered Ordinance 2024-03 amending the bylaws of the Ross Library. **On a motion made by Ms. Masorti, seconded by Ms. Brannan, and carried unanimously, the ordinance was adopted on second reading.**

Council considered the award of the 2024 Patching Project to WYDE Excavation for \$95,034.00. The City Planner and Development Coordinator answered questions from Council regarding the project and the bid. **On a motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Ms. Masorti, and carried unanimously, the bid was awarded to WYDE Excavation.**

Council considered Resolution 2024-21 Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreements as part of the PennDOT Green Light Go grant for Bellefonte & Second Ave lighting. **On a motion made by Ms. Alexander, seconded by Ms. Brannan, and carried unanimously, the resolution passed.**

Council was notified of the award of \$20,000 state WalkWorks grant. The City Planner and Development Coordinator explained the intended use of funds for the project and answered questions from council regarding the projects.

Council was provided an update on the Hoberman playground Kaboom build, and the public was encouraged to sign up to volunteer for Build Day on August 3, 2024.

Council was provided an update on the 2024 Opioid settlement funds distribution which will now include additional funds from the “Wave 2” of settlements including with Wal-Mart, Walgreens, and CVS.

NEW BUSINESS

Council was notified of 2023 Act 13 allocation in the amount of \$12,899.77.

OTHER MATTERS

Council received the Ohl progress reports, CCCWFA minutes of June 26,2024, and the PML Municipal Report – Lock Haven article.

After having read the minutes of the most recent meeting of the Central Clinton County Water Filtration Authority, Mr. Stevenson stated that he had questions about the membership of the authority and how each member voted on the offer from the city for that entity to take over the shared capital improvements for the water system.

The City Manager provided an update on the hiring of an Assistant City Manager and stated that another interview with a potential candidate was being held this week.

Mayor Long encouraged the public to attend the Summer Concert Series on Fridays and Saturdays this summer.

Mayor Long also notified the public that the Clinton County Courts will be doing a sealing project in the alley and parking lot.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Ms. Alexander, at 7:44 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.