

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Council of the City of Lebanon, Pa., was held in Council Chamber of the Municipal Building, Lebanon, Pa., this evening, Chairperson Parker presiding.

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Present--Mr. Carey, Mr. Matula, Mr. Wertz, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Parker, Chairperson.
Absent--none.

Also present were Mayor Sherry L. Capello; Acting Chief of Police Todd Breiner; nine persons in the audience; and two members of the news media.

The minutes of the May 23, 2016, City Council meeting were presented by the City Clerk. There being no corrections, deletions or additions, the minutes were approved as presented.

Chairperson Parker announced that Council received a budget report for the period January 1 through May 31, 2016.

Mr. Wertz introduced Resolution No. 12, as follows:

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 489, SESSIONS 1986-1987, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LEBANON AND METROPOLITAN EDISON, TO SPECIFY THE ADDITION OF THREE STREET LIGHTS IN THE GREYSTONE CROSSING DEVELOPMENT.

WHEREAS, an agreement was entered into by the City of Lebanon and Metropolitan Edison Company, (hereinafter Met-Ed), on January 1, 1987, whereby said Company shall furnish lighting; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and proper that street lighting should be removed from service.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Lebanon, Pa., and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same, That:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the provisions and terms of the Company's applicable Rate Schedules and Riders, and the rules and regulations now on file and such rules and regulations, Rate Schedules and Riders hereafter filed from time to time and in effect with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (hereinafter Tariff), Council hereby orders and directs Met-Ed to remove lighting, as follows:

- a. Add three (3) company owned 70-watt high pressure sodium vapor four sided colonial street lights located in the Greystone Crossings development within the city.

SECTION 2. Payment made to Met-Ed for street lighting at the rates specified in the Tariff will be removed from the billing.

Resolution No. 12 was passed finally on motion of Mr. Wertz, seconded by Mr. Carey. Yeas--Mr. Carey, Mr. Matula, Mr. Wertz, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Parker, Chairperson--5; nays--none.

Mr. Matula introduced Resolution No. 13, as follows:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LEBANON AND METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY FOR PROVIDING LED STREET LIGHTING SERVICE.

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon desires Met-Ed to provide street lighting service to Met-Ed owned street lighting facilities and City owned street lighting facilities situated in the City of Lebanon, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, City of Lebanon may from time to time desire Met-Ed to add, replace and/or remove the Met-Ed owned units; and

WHEREAS, City of Lebanon desires Met-Ed to provide street lighting service to any additional or replaced units.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same, That:

SECTION 1. An agreement between the City of Lebanon and Metropolitan Edison, a public utility corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for providing LED street lighting service is hereby approved.

SECTION 2. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the City of Lebanon.

SECTION 3. A copy of said agreement is attached to and hereby made part of this resolution.

Resolution No. 13 was passed finally on motion of Mr. Matula, seconded by Mr. Wertz. Yeas--Mr. Carey, Mr. Matula, Mr. Wertz, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Parker, Chairperson--5; nays--none.

Mayor Capello explained that during the public hearings for the BID Plan, concerns were raised regarding the lack of lighting in the downtown area. Representatives of the city walked the area and identified areas where improvements to lighting were most needed. As a result of a meeting with Met-Ed, a total of 12 Met-Ed owned streets lights were eligible for a free upgrade from sodium vapor to LED bulbs. The city will bear the cost for the conversion of two

additional lights at a total cost of approximately \$350. Mayor Capello explained that there are 16 Victorian lights along Cumberland Street. The Victorian light in the vicinity of the northwest corner of 9th and Cumberland Street was retrofitted as a trial to make sure it is not too bright for second floor residential tenants. In the near future, changes will be implemented to allow for the conversion of the lights along Cumberland Street.

Mayor Capello explained that this is the beginning of the process and city staff will be assessing lighting throughout the city to determine locations where upgrades would be most beneficial.

Mr. Carey introduced Bill No. 4, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF LEBANON PAID FIREMEN'S PENSION PLAN IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN, EFFECTIVE RETROACTIVELY TO JANUARY 1, 2015.

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon previously established the Paid Firemen's Pension Fund Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon desires to enact an amendment to the Plan implementing the Deferred Retirement Option Plan, effective retroactively to January 1, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Ordained by the Council of the City of Lebanon, Pa., and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, That:

SECTION 1. The attached amendment of the City of Lebanon Paid Firemen's Pension Fund Plan is hereby enacted. The Mayor, as the agent of the Employer, is authorized and directed to execute the attached amendment to the Plan.

SECTION 2. Any ordinance or part of ordinance conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same is hereby repealed so far as the same affects this ordinance.

Mayor Capello explained that the Deferred Retirement Option Plan allows Career Fire Fighters to continue working after they retire for a period of up to three years. During that time, the employee's pension is set aside in a separate account and is paid out upon termination of employment.

Bill No. 4 was introduced and will be considered on final reading at the June 27, 2016, City Council meeting on motion of Mr. Carey, seconded by Mr. Wertz. Yeas--Mr. Carey, Mr. Matula, Mr. Wertz, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Parker, Chairperson--5; nays--none.

Jim Rohland, 914 Mifflin Street, Lebanon, thanked Mayor Capello and Acting Chief Breiner for the resolution of the issues with street preaching at Ninth and Mifflin Streets, Lebanon.

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Lori Boyer, 1019 Mifflin Street, Lebanon, reported ongoing issues and zoning violations with the property at 1017 Mifflin Street. Mayor Capello will follow up with the Zoning Officer.

Patrice Royer, 525 Canal Street, Lebanon, thanked the Lebanon Police Department for the enforcement of traffic regulations regarding double parking.

Ed Salem, 214 Mifflin Street, Lebanon, recommended Council consider increasing the fine for double parking which is currently set at \$15.00. Mr. Salem also recommended that Council consider implementing a fee for the continuance of a zoning hearing.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

CHERYL J. GIBSON, Clerk