

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEXINGTON CITY COUNCIL**April 10, 2023****7:00 P. M.**

The regular meeting of the Lexington City Council was called to order at 7:00 P. M. by Mayor Pro Tem John Franklin in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

Mayor Pro Tem Franklin led the council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken to find the following physically present: Mayor Pro Tem Franklin, Alderman Mattingly, Alderman Richard, Alderman Stover and Alderwoman Wilson, with Alderman Little and Mayor Johansen absent.

It was moved by Alderman Mattingly and seconded by Alderman Richard to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2023 regular session City Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Alderman Stover and seconded by Alderman Mattingly to approve the Treasurer's Report and paying of the bills in the amount of \$22,855.28. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input: None

Old Business:**Discussion/Vote Kinsella Parking Lot Lease**

Aldermen were given a copy of the lease with the changes made from the last council meeting, clarifying that the city is paying \$2,000 per year for the parking lot. It was noted that this lot is very valuable to the city and is 145' by 80'.

The question was asked if Kinsella was going to move his trailers off of the property to which the answer was yes once the lease was signed.

The city will need to put up some concrete pilings on the West side of the lot so that people will not cut across the Kinsella property.

Motion was made by Alderman Richard and seconded by Alderwoman Wilson to approve the Kinsella Parking Lot Lease. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Vote Ordinance 2023-2: Amending Article III, Chapter 201 of the Lexington City Code Regarding The Effective Date of the Sales Tax Increase Within The City of Lexington

This is amending the ordinance that was done in December, 2022 raising the sales tax from .5% to 1%. The State of Illinois did not like the wording of the ordinance and asked that we reword the effective date. This is the amended ordinance.

Motion was made by Alderman Stover and seconded by Alderwoman Wilson to approve Ordinance 2023-2: Amending Article III, Chapter 201 of the Lexington City Code Regarding The Effective Date of the Sales Tax Increase Within The City of Lexington. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

The question was asked about parking in front of Analytical Brewery on Main Street. That area is not marked for parking and on the weekend it is very congested. It was asked if the police could ticket people who parked there? It was noted that that is a county road and not a city street and the city has no jurisdiction over that area. The Shake Shack has put up no parking signs and it was felt that at some point the county would do the same. Once the parking lot lease is signed by David Kinsella they will be able to park in that lot. They will get that lease signed as soon as possible.

Mayor Pro Tem reminded everyone to complete their Statement of Economic Interest forms and turn them in to Clerk Pease or McLean County Clerk's office.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor's Report:

None

Police:

Alderman Richard reported that the new police car was not here yet but hopefully would be within the next month. They do have a car that they are retiring but it is going to the new police chief as part of his contract. It will be his personal take home car. They will be leaving some equipment in it.

Building/Insurance

Alderman Franklin reported that they are still waiting on the surveyors to do the Kinsella property.

Finance /TIF

None

Water/Sewer/Sanitation

Alderwoman Wilson reported that they have gotten some good applications for the sewer/water department.

Street/Alley

None

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderwoman Wilson to adjourn at 7:10 P.M. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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Respectfully submitted,

Pati Pease

City Clerk

Approved: May 8, 2023