

**MINUTES  
CITY OF LEXINGTON  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 3, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.  
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. CALL TO ORDER:** – Mayor Murphy

- A. Roll Call - Council Members: DeVries, Harris, Hughes and Winge

*Mayor Murphy called to order the Regular City Council meeting for June 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Devries, Harris, Hughes, and Winge. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Chris Galiov, Finance Director.*

**3. CITIZENS FORUM**

*No citizens were present to address the city council on items not on the agenda.*

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS**

**5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:**

- A. Airport (Councilmember DeVries) *Councilmember Devries explained the Airport Commission is planning on resurfacing the airport runway this summer. They will also be hiring a new person to promote the airport. The next meeting is October 13th.*
- B. Cable Commission (Councilmember Winge) – *Councilmember Winge explained that the Cable Commission audit was complete and the organization is in good financial position. The Commission is working on closed captioning for City Council meetings, but they are reluctant due to the cost to add it to the broadcast. Winge also explained the first quarter franchise fees and PEG fees are slightly down and the draft franchise agreement has been proposed to Comcast, but no response yet. Discussion ensued.*
- C. City Administrator (Bill Petracek) - *Petracek explained that the building inspector has remodeling plans on his desk for the old Bistro Laroux. It is an Asian style restaurant called Pho U. Discussion ensued.*

**6. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Reports – 5-12 through 5-25, 2021

*Councilmember Hughes noted that there are 10 DWI's on this CLPD media report. Attorney Glaser stated that it is a combination of new officers being aggressive, and that there has been an explosion of joy for people to be allowed back into bars as potential causes. Discussion ensued.*

**7. CONSENT ITEMS:**

- A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:  
Council Meeting – May 20, 2021
- B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:  
Check #'s 47710 through 47761  
Check #'s 47554 re-issue as 47709  
Check #'s 13813 through 13821  
Check #'s 13825 through 13835  
Check #'s 13836 through 13843

*Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Councilmember Hughes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

**8. ACTION ITEMS:**

- A. Recommendation to approve Resolution NO. 21-12 A Resolution Approving Management, Non-Union Benefits and Amending the Personnel Policy Manual

*Councilmember Harris asked about item #3 – PTO. Petracek explained this is a change to an existing personnel policy. The policy allows the employee to convert unused paid time off from the second payroll in November to the first payroll so that they do not go over the 400 hour allowed amount. Discussion ensued.*

*Councilmember Hughes made a motion to approve Resolution NO. 21-12 A Resolution Approving Management, Non-Union Benefits and Amending the Personnel Policy Manual. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

- B. Recommendation to approve Management and Non-Union Salary Increase

*Petracek explained his reasoning for recommending the salary increases for management and non-union employees. Discussion ensued.*

*Councilmember Devries suggested adjusting the finance director's salary from a 4% to a 5% increase. Discussion ensued.*

*Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve Management and Non-Union Salary Increase with a 5% adjustment to the finance director's salary. Councilmember Hughes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

- C. City Administrator Evaluation/Annual Compensation

*The Council discussed the city administrator's performance.*

*Councilmember Devries made motion to approve a 7 % adjustment to the city administrator's salary beginning June 1, 2021. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Councilmember Harris did not agree and wanted a 5% adjustment instead. Mayor Murphy explained that there was a motion on the table for 7%. Motion carried 4-1*

D. Recommendation to approve Business License Renewals

*Councilmember Winge made a motion to approve Business License Renewals. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

E. Recommendation to approve the rehire of seasonal employee T.J. Schmid at \$14.00/hour

*Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the rehire of seasonal employee T.J. Schmid at \$14.00/hour. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

## **9. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT**

*Councilmember Devries asked if potholes are going to be filled. Petracek stated that they have been filling with cold mix asphalt and waiting for the asphalt plant to start making hot mix. They will start filling potholes at that point.*

*Councilmember Harris pointed out a faded "no truck" sign at Griggs Ave. and Woodland Rd. Petracek said he would let public works know to replace the sign. Galiov stated that public works has ordered new signs to replace old signs. Discussion ensued.*

*Mayor Murphy stated he was able to find the blue color chip to match the Lexington blue color for the Memorial Park painting project. Discussion ensued.*

## **10. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. This portion of the meeting is closed pursuant Minn. Stat. Section 13D.05, subd. 3(b), and is permitted by the attorney-client privilege to discuss legal aspects of options related to the interconnected water and sewer with the City of Blaine. This portion of the meeting is also closed pursuant Minn. Stat. Section 13D.05, subd. 3(c), and is permitted to determine the asking price for, and to develop or consider offers or counteroffers for the purchase or sale to parts of the interconnected water and sewer with the City of Blaine.

*Attorney Glaser stated he didn't have anything to report in closed session, but added that if the Council had any questions they could still convene into closed session.*

*Councilmember Devries made a motion to not convene into closed session. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

## **11. MOVE TO RECONVENE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

*Councilmember Hughes made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.  
Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

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