

CITY OF LEWISTON

CITY COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM AT 7:00 P.M.

THE HONORABLE CARL L. SHELINE, MAYOR, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Mayor Sheline, Councilors Scott, McCarthy, Harriman, LaChapelle, Pease, and Clement, City Administrator Heather Hunter and City Clerk Kathleen Montejo. Excused/Absent: Councilor Gelinias. Note – Per the City Charter, in the absence of a City Councilor, the Mayor may cast a vote.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

LEWISTON LEADS PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Sheline honored Klara Tammany for her work with the Center for Wisdom’s Women and Sophia’s House. Councilor Scott honored Josh Nagine for his work with the Lewiston Farmer’s Market, Sunnyside Park, Androscoggin Land Trust, community clean-up efforts and his service on the Planning Board. Councilor Harriman recognized Tiana Warriner for her work with the REST Center – recovery, education, support and training.

PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING LEWISTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT, LEWISTON PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND THE YWCA ON OPENING THE KENNEDY PARK POOL THIS SUMMER

Mayor Sheline read a Mayoral Proclamation and presented certificates of thanks to representatives from the Public Works Department, Recreation Department and YWCA for their work in operating the Kennedy Park pool this summer.

VOTE (280-2022)

Motion by Councilor Clement, seconded by Councilor McCarthy:

To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting of July 19, 2022 and to accept and place them on file as prepared by the City Clerk. Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Jenny Graves spoke against the proposed Cote Street Park noting the area has dead end streets and she is concerned with the disruption of the quiet family-oriented neighborhood regarding increased traffic and increased safety concerns. Larry Gilbert, 39 Cote Street, said the city cannot maintain the parks and greenspaces it currently owns and he questions the ability to maintain this new park. He is also concerned since this park would be on a dead end street there would be little visibility and could become a homeless encampment, place for drug dealing and so forth. Mr. Gilbert expressed concerns for public safety by having basically a playground in the woods. Rick Grenier, 35 Cote St, said the city’s neighborhood notifications and communications on this issue was lacking and activity at Pleasant View Acres apartment complex behind them is

very noisy and they are concerned the residents will be in the park causing noise late at night. Pauline Lagasse, 32 Cote St, expressed concerns with additional vehicles going to the proposed park, concerns for pedestrians, park to become a hangout for homeless residents, drug dealing. Reggie Lagasse, 32 Cote Street, said the police department is at the Pleasant View Acres apartment complex daily regarding various issues and he does not want to see those issues transfer into the park and the Cote St neighborhood. Fern Cloutier, East Cote St resident for 60 years, said the road is one lane wide so cannot serve additional traffic, is concerned with the displacement of the animals noting there are many deer, fox and raccoons in the forest that would be transformed into the park.

The Council took agenda item 19 out of order and addressed it at this time to accommodate the attendees.

RESOLVE, SUPPORTING THE CANDIDACY OF GABRIELLE BARRETT IN HER QUEST TO BECOME MISS MAINE

VOTE (281-2022)

Motion by Councilor LaChapelle, seconded by Councilor McCarthy:

To approve the Resolve, Supporting the candidacy of Gabrielle Barrett in her quest to become Miss Maine:

Whereas, Lewiston native Gabrielle Barrett is currently representing Androscoggin County in the United States of America competition for the 2023 Miss Maine title; and

Whereas, Miss Barrett has undertaken this journey to demonstrate being an overcomer and challenging herself beyond her comfort zone; and

Whereas, Miss Barrett's competition platform is that of domestic violence, as she is a domestic violence survivor; and

Whereas, in her quest for the Miss Maine title, she wants to share her story and be an encouraging support to others who have experienced any type of domestic violence; and

Whereas, in that regard, Miss Barrett wants to volunteer, help with events, and participate in fundraising activities to assist with donations towards domestic violence education and prevention; and

Whereas, Miss Barrett will be working with Safe Voices, the domestic violence resource center serving Androscoggin, Oxford, and Franklin counties, to assist individuals and their families towards a safe, enriched quality of life.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lewiston, that we support the candidacy of Gabrielle Barrett in her quest to become Miss Maine and applaud her advocacy against domestic violence.

Passed - Vote 7-0

**ORDER, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF MUNICIPAL QUITCLAIM DEEDS FOR
REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 11 HIGHLAND AVENUE AND
18 BELLEGARDE AVENUE**

VOTE (282-2022)

Motion by Councilor Clement, seconded by Councilor Pease:

To approve the Orders authorizing execution of municipal quitclaim deeds for real estate located at 11 Highland Avenue and 18 Bellegarde Avenue:

11 Highland Avenue:

Whereas, the former owner, Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee for Equifirst Loan Securitization Trust 2007-1, Mortgage Pass-through Certificates, Series 2007-1, failed to pay their bills on a timely basis for 11 Highland Avenue (Tax Map 174, Lot 323, Parcel 00-006070); and

Whereas, a water lien was filed on August 30, 2018 (Book 9921 Page 113) and matured on February 29, 2020 in the amount of \$188.75; and

Whereas, a sewer lien was filed on August 30, 2018 (Book 9921 Page 241) and matured on February 29, 2020 in the amount of \$276.78; and

Whereas, a water lien was filed on March 22, 2019 (Book 10051 Page 81) and matured on September 22, 2020 in the amount of \$192.16; and

Whereas, a sewer lien was filed on March 22, 2019 (Book 10051 Page 236) and matured on September 22, 2020 in the amount of \$240.54; and

Whereas, a storm water lien was filed on March 22, 2019 (Book 10050 Page 261) and matured on September 22, 2020 in the amount of \$113.68; and

Whereas, a storm water lien was filed on August 22, 2019 (Book 10162 Page 023) and matured on February 22, 2021 in the amount of \$114.06; and

Whereas, a storm water lien was filed on February 19, 2020 (Book 10308 Page 175) and matured on August 19, 2021 in the amount of \$114.93; and

Whereas, payment has been received;

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordered by the City Council of the City of Lewiston, that a quitclaim deed is hereby authorized to release the City's interest in the property located at 11 Highland Avenue to the owner.

18 Bellegarde Avenue:

Whereas, the former owner, Suzanne N. Carbonell, failed to pay her bills on a timely basis for 18 Bellegarde Avenue (Tax Map 146, Lot 015, Parcel 00-013198); and

Whereas, a tax lien was filed on June 18, 2014 (Book 8933 Page 341) and matured on December 18, 2015 in the amount of \$1,463.31; and

Whereas, a tax lien was filed on June 23, 2015 (Book 9164 Page 172) and matured on December 23, 2016 in the amount of \$2,933.38; and

Whereas, a tax lien was filed on June 16, 2016 (Book 9386 Page 79) and matured on December 16, 2017 in the amount of \$3,010.05; and

Whereas, a tax lien was filed on June 14, 2017 (Book 9616 Page 267) and matured on December 14, 2018 in the amount of \$3,030.52; and

Whereas, a tax lien was filed on June 21, 2018 (Book 9865 Page 57) and matured on December 21, 2019 in the amount of \$2,566.97; and

Whereas, a tax lien was filed on June 19, 2019 (Book 10106 Page 320) and matured on December 19, 2020 in the amount of \$2,641.89; and

Whereas, a tax lien was filed on June 15, 2020 (Book 10392 Page 98) and matured on December 15, 2021 in the amount of \$2,652.02; and

Whereas, payment of \$18,298.14 has been received;

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordered by the City Council of the City of Lewiston, that a quitclaim deed is hereby authorized to release the City's interest in the property located at 18 Bellegarde Avenue to the owner.

Passed - Vote 7-0

**ORDER, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF \$70,000
FROM THE FEMA BUILDING RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND
COMMUNITIES GRANT FOR THE JEPSON BROOK CHANNEL UPGRADES**

VOTE (283-2022)

Motion by Councilor Clement, seconded by Councilor Pease:

To approve the Order, authorize the acceptance and appropriation of \$70,000 from the FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant for the Jepson Brook Channel Upgrades:

Whereas, the City will provide the \$30,000 match funds through the previously funded Jepson Brook Channel Upgrades Acct # 6643-643140. The current design budget will now be expanded to thoroughly review alternatives as well as, the final design of the preferred option; and

Whereas, any remaining funds will be carried forward for construction of the project to follow in FY24;

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordered by the City Council of the City of Lewiston to authorize the acceptance and appropriation of \$70,000 from the FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant for the Jepson Brook Channel Upgrades.

Passed - Vote 7-0

ORDER, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF A \$975 GRANT FROM THE ENDEAVOR BUSINESS MEDIA FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO ATTEND THE 2022 PUBLIC WORKS SUMMIT

VOTE (284-2022)

Motion by Councilor Clement, seconded by Councilor Pease:

To authorize the acceptance and appropriation of a \$975 grant from the Endeavor Business Media for the Public Works Director to attend the 2022 Public Works Summit:

Whereas, the grant will cover lodging, travel, meals and materials for the three day event on November 14-16, 2022; and

Whereas, the event will cover small group discussions on the top Public Works challenges and presentations of the newest Public Works products and services. Only 50 directors from across the United States are invited to attend; and

Whereas, any other costs will be covered by the Public Works travel and training account;

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordered by the City Council of the City of Lewiston to authorize the acceptance and appropriation of a \$975 grant from the Endeavor Business Media for the Public Works Director to attend the 2022 Public Works Summit.

Passed - Vote 7-0

AMENDMENT TO THE PERSONNEL POLICY TO UPDATE THE NON-DISCRIMINATION, SEXUAL AND UNLAWFUL HARASSMENT SECTION OF THE POLICY TO INCLUDE AN ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

VOTE (285-2022)

Motion by Councilor Clement, seconded by Councilor Pease:

To approve the proposed amendment to the City's Personnel Policies, Policy Manual 22, which prohibits bullying and cyber bullying as recommended by the Human Resources Director and the City Administrator. Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATIONS FOR A NEW LIQUOR LICENSE AND SPECIAL AMUSEMENT PERMIT FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR RUSTY BUS BREWING CO., LLC, 120 LISBON STREET

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (286-2022)

Motion by Councilor Pease, seconded by Councilor McCarthy:

To authorize the City Clerk’s Office to approve a new liquor license application and special amusement permit for Rusty Bus Brewing Co., LLC, 120 Lisbon Street.

Passed – Vote 6-0-1 (Mayor Sheline recused himself and abstained from the vote due to a conflict of interest.)

PUBLIC HEARING ON A RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL AMUSEMENT PERMIT FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR MELISSA’S PUB, 675 MAIN STREET

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (287-2022)

Motion by Councilor Pease, seconded by Councilor Harriman:

To grant a Special Amusement Permit for Live Entertainment to Melissa’s Pub, 675 Main Street.
Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING ON A RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL AMUSEMENT PERMIT FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR SONDER & DRAM, 12 ASH STREET

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (288-2022)

Motion by Councilor Harriman, seconded by Councilor Clement:

To grant a Special Amusement Permit for Live Entertainment to Sonder & Dram, 12 Ash Street.
Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING ON A RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL AMUSEMENT PERMIT FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR JUST-IN-TIME RECREATION, 24 MOLLISON WAY

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (289-2022)

Motion by Councilor LaChapelle, seconded by Councilor Pease:

To grant a Special Amusement Permit for Live Entertainment to Just-In-Time Recreation, 24 Mollison Way. Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING FOR APPROVAL OF AN OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT FOR THE DEMPSEY CHALLENGE

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (290-2022)

Motion by Councilor McCarthy, seconded by Councilor Harriman:

To conduct a public hearing on an application from The Dempsey Center for outdoor musical concerts to be held at Simard-Payne Memorial Park on September 23 - 25, as part of The Dempsey Challenge, and to authorize a permit for an Outdoor Entertainment Event, as required by the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10, Article 1, Section 10-3, to the organizing committee for the outdoor music concerts, contingent upon positive recommendations from the Police Department, Fire Department, Code/Land Use Officer and Code/Health Officer regarding compliance with all regulations, and compliance with all City ordinances.

Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST AND FINAL PASSAGE FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE MORATORIUM ORDINANCE REGARDING NEW HOMELESS SHELTERS

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. Larry Gilbert, East Cote Street, is opposed to the moratorium and views it as delay tactic. Ron Potvin, 291 Pond Road, opposed to the extension, noted the committee did a lot of work, the Council has the report, there is an urgent need for shelters and it sends the wrong message to the community to continue moratorium. The Mayor then closed the hearing. Councilor Scott said she would support only for the sake of finishing the ordinance work. Councilor McCarthy pointed out the language says 100 days but it will only be in effect until the ordinance becomes effective. Councilor Harriman stated the moratorium is not needed for the ordinance work to continue. Councilor Pease said the Ad Hoc committee did a lot of work and it is important to see it through and the moratorium will allow for this to happen.

VOTE (291-2022)

Motion by Councilor Clement, seconded by Councilor McCarthy:

That the proposed extension of Moratorium Ordinance regarding new homeless shelters, to be effective September 24, 2022 receive first passage by a roll call vote.

Passed - Vote 5-2 (Mayor Sheline and Councilor Harriman opposed)

VOTE (292-2022)

Motion by Councilor LaChapelle, seconded by Councilor Clement:

To waive Section 7c of the Rules Governing the City Council and to allow for final reading at this time. Passed - Vote 5-2 (Mayor Sheline and Councilor Harriman opposed)

VOTE (293-2022)

Motion by Councilor Clement, seconded by Councilor Pease:

That the proposed Moratorium Ordinance regarding new homeless shelters, to be effective September 24, 2022 receive final passage by a roll call vote. Passed - Vote 5-2 (Mayor Sheline and Councilor Harriman opposed)

PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST PASSAGE TO AMEND THE BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE TO SET FORTH PURPOSES AND STANDARDS FOR THE ISSUANCES OF LOCAL LICENSES FOR HOMELESS SHELTERS

Director of Code Enforcement and Planning David Hediger, and co-chair of the Shelter Committee Craig Saddlemire, presented their findings and recommendations to the Council. Councilor Clement thanked them for their great work and appreciated their time and the information. Councilor McCarthy suggested moving the staffing language in section i, 3 to the exemption section. Councilor LaChapelle suggested changes to the definitions of homeless family, homeless child and bed designations in the same room. Councilor Scott offered comments on the language about enrollment in an educational program.

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. Josh Nagine thanked the Council and Ad Hoc committee for their work on this ordinance. He noted the curfew will be difficult for residents who work second and third shift labor jobs, he encouraged the language to allow them to leave and return later if related to employment. Larry Gilbert noted the existing shelters are grandfathered from the ADA requirements. Alex Diamond-Stanic reminded the Council to consider traditional vs. non-traditional family structures and commended the Shelter Committee for their work. He said the bed count of 120 is too low and in reality, a much higher number is probably needed. Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (294-2022)

Motion by Councilor LaChapelle, seconded by Councilor McCarthy:

To set the definition of Homeless family on page 1, section b to be 1 or 2 parent/parents or guardians of 1 or more homeless children or youth. Passed - Vote 5-2 (Mayor Sheline and Councilor Harriman opposed)

VOTE (295-2022)

Motion by Councilor LaChapelle, seconded by Councilor Clement:

To eliminate the reference to bed limits on page 8, section 11. Passed - Vote 7-0

VOTE (296-2022)

Motion by Councilor McCarthy, seconded by Councilor Clement:

To add the staffing language to section j/exemptions that appears in section i, 3.
Passed - Vote 7-0

VOTE (297-2022)

Motion by Councilor LaChapelle, seconded by Councilor McCarthy:

To list the coordinated entry system that appears in section i, 5 as an exemptions in section J.
Passed - Vote 5-2 (Mayor Sheline and Councilor Harriman opposed)

VOTE (298-2022)

Motion by Councilor LaChapelle, seconded by Councilor McCarthy:

To add language for an education requirement on page 8, section i, 15 to read: within 30 days of entry to a shelter, to make application to enroll in an educational program. Passed - Vote 7-0

VOTE (299-2022)

Motion by Councilor Pease, seconded by Councilor Clement:

That the proposed amendments to Chapter 22, Business Licenses, Article XVI. “Homeless Shelters” of the City’s Code of Ordinances receive first passage by a roll call vote and that the public hearing on said ordinance be continued to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST PASSAGE TO AMEND THE ZONING AND LAND USE CODE FOR PURPOSES OF DEFINING HOMELESS SHELTERS, CREATING A HOMELESS SHELTER OVERLAY DISTRICT, AND PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR HOMELESS SHELTERS

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (300-2022)

Motion by Councilor LaChapelle, seconded by Councilor Clement:

Amendment – to approve adjustments to the map and to remove from the overlay district the Riverfront and Mill districts and other related adjustments as reviewed by Councilors and captured on the map. Passed - Vote 5-2 (Councilors Scott and Harriman opposed)

VOTE (301-2022)

Motion by Councilor McCarthy, seconded by Councilor LaChapelle:

That the proposed amendments to Appendix A, Article II, Section 2 “Definitions”; Article XI, District Regulations, Section 24(6) “Homeless shelter overlay district”; and Article XII, Section 17(d) “Off-street parking required” of the City’s Zoning and Land Use Code receive first passage by a roll call vote and that the public hearing on said ordinance amendments be continued to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST PASSAGE TO AMEND THE ANIMAL ORDINANCE AND LAND USE CODE REGARDING THE KEEPING OF CHICKENS ON LOTS DEVELOPED WITH SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED DWELLINGS

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (302-2022)

Motion by Councilor Clement, seconded by Councilor LaChapelle:

That the proposed amendments to Chapter 14, Article VII, Division 4 of the Code of Ordinances and Appendix A, Article XI, Section 22 of the Zoning and Land Use Code of the City's Code of Ordinances receive first passage by a roll call vote and that the public hearing on said ordinance amendments be continued to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST PASSAGE TO AMEND THE ANIMAL ORDINANCE REGARDING THE KEEPING OF BEES IN PROXIMITY TO ABUTTING PROPERTIES

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (303-2022)

Motion by Councilor Clement, seconded by Councilor Pease:

That the proposed amendments to Chapter 14, Article VII, Division 3 of the Code of Ordinances receive first passage by a roll call vote and that the public hearing on said ordinance amendments be continued to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Passed - Vote 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST PASSAGE REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTIONS ORDINANCE FOR THE REDISTRICTING OF CITY WARD BOUNDARY LINES

Mayor Sheline opened the hearing to receive citizen input and comment. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

VOTE (304-2022)

Motion by Councilor Harriman, seconded by Councilor Scott:

That the proposed amendments to the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 32, "Elections", Section 32-1 "Wards described", receive first passage by a roll call vote and that the public hearing on said ordinance be continued to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

Passed - Vote 5-2 (Councilors LaChapelle and Pease opposed)

ORDER, AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH LEWISTON AUBURN WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY (LAWPCA) FOR THE DESIGN, PERMITTING, CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A NEW WET WEATHER STORAGE TANK AND AGREE TO THE COST APPORTIONMENT

VOTE (305-2022)

Motion by Councilor LaChapelle, seconded by Councilor Pease:

To approve the Order, Authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an Memorandum of Understanding with Lewiston Auburn Water Pollution Control Authority (LAWPCA) for the design, permitting, construction and operation of a new Wet Weather Storage Tank and agree to the cost apportionment.

Whereas, the operating costs for the CSO Tank will be allocated between entities using the current cost allocation; and

Whereas, for the capital investment, the entities will each make upfront payments to LAWPCA, Lewiston, \$9.5 million and Auburn Sewer District, \$4.0 million as outlined by the independent study completed; and

Whereas, these upfront payments will be liquated prior to any issuance of debt and before the 12/31/2026 ARPA funds expenditure deadline; and

Whereas, LAWPCA will apply for relevant grant and/or loan funding for the remaining balance with 70% allocated to Lewiston and 30% to Auburn Sewer District; and

Whereas, annually debt service will be allocated based upon the previous year's flow and this agreement will be in effect until all associated debt has been paid or an approved revision to this MOU has been executed;

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordered by the City Council of the City of Lewiston to authorize the City Administrator to enter into an Memorandum of Understanding with Lewiston Auburn Water Pollution Control Authority (LAWPCA) for the design, permitting, construction and operation of a new Wet Weather Storage Tank and agree to the cost apportionment.

Passed - Vote 7-0

**ORDER, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A UTILITY EASEMENT FROM
TIMOTHY AND LISA CHOUNARD THROUGH THEIR PROPERTY AT 235
BARTLETT STREET AND ALLOW THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE
THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS**

VOTE (306-2022)

Motion by Councilor McCarthy, seconded by Councilor Harriman:

To approve the Order, Authorizing the acceptance of a utility easement from Timothy and Lisa Chouinard through their property at 235 Bartlett Street and allow the City Administrator to execute the necessary documents:

Whereas, the existing combined sewer and storm drain lines needed to be separated and re-routed; and

Whereas, the best alternative was to run the new sewer line in a minimum depth trench through the property at 235 Bartlett to the existing sewer line on Bartlett Street; and

Whereas, continue the existing storm drain at the same location; and

Whereas, install a new catch basin on the 235 Bartlett Property to divert the drainage away from the existing and future buildings on the two abutting lots owned by the Chouinard's.

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordered by the City Council of the City of Lewiston to authorize the acceptance of a utility easement from Timothy and Lisa Chouinard through their property at 235 Bartlett Street and allow the City Administrator to execute the necessary documents.

Passed - Vote 7-0

REQUEST FOR DONATION OF IN-KIND CITY SERVICES FOR THE 13TH ANNUAL ANDROSCOGGIN LAND TRUST RIVER CLEAN-UP

VOTE (307-2022)

Motion by Councilor Pease, seconded by Councilor Scott:

To approve the request submitted by Androscoggin Land Trust for an in-kind donation of city services totaling \$345. Passed - Vote 7-0

APPOINTMENT OF A HOUSING COMMITTEE MEMBER REPRESENTING A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

VOTE (308-2022)

Motion by Councilor Harriman, seconded by Councilor McCarthy:

To appoint Dawn Collins as a Lewiston financial institution representative to the Housing Committee for a three-year term, said term to expire January 1, 2023. Passed - Vote 7-0

REPORTS AND UPDATES

Councilor Scott reported the District hired an Assistant Principal at Montello School and that ed techs, special education teachers and bus drivers are still needed. She noted there are 275 Lewiston students who do not have transportation and need it. The School Committee also reviewed the proposed 2023 calendar and the policy regarding student use of cell phones. Councilor Scott also reported the LYAC is having a meeting tomorrow night and the LSAC is having their first meeting next week.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was presented at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

VOTE (309-2022)

Motion by Councilor McCarthy, seconded by Councilor Pease:

To enter into an Executive Session pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405 (6) (c) to discuss an Economic Development issue of which the premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive bargaining position of the City. Passed - Vote 7-0

Executive Session began at 11:14pm and ended at 11:22pm.

VOTE (310-2022)

Motion by Councilor Pease, seconded by Councilor Harriman:

To enter into an Executive Session, pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405(6)(c), to discuss Real Estate Negotiations, of which the premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive bargaining position of the City. Passed - Vote 7-0

Executive Session began at 11:22pm and ended at 11:38pm.

VOTE (311-2022)

Motion by Councilor Scott, seconded by Councilor Pease:

To adjourn at 11:38P.M. Passed - Vote 7-0

A true record, Attest:

Kathleen M. Montejo, MMC
City Clerk
Lewiston, Maine