London City Council

Public Service Committee - Minutes

20 S. Walnut Street, London, Ohio 43140

10/04/2023 at 5:00pm

Call to Order - Councilman Robinson called to order

Roll Call – Councilman Robinson, Councilman Peters, Councilman Eades

Approval of minutes – September 6, 2023, approved by unanimous voice vote

Officials/guests present – Bill Long, Rex Castle

Park & Recs – Rex Castle provided report. See attached

Street/Water Department – Bill Long reviewed report. See attached

Motion to send to Council an increase of the Street Department's Strength Ordinance to an additional three by Councilman Robinson, 2nd Councilman Peters. Passed 3-0 by voice vote. Sponsored by Bryan Robinson

Motion to send to Council a change to Ordinance 1278(?) to match ODOT construction roadways by Councilman Eades, 2nd Councilman Peters. Passed 3-0 by voice vote. Sponsored by Greg Eades

Motion to send to Council to allow the Street Department to put out to bid for construction of the salt barn by Councilman Eades, 2nd Councilman Peters. Passed 3-0 voice vote. Sponsored by Greg Eades

Committee members asked for updates regarding bids, budget, truck deliveries, sewers and crosswalk lights.

Safety Service Director – Planning Committee, last month, had a hearing for a large project on the corner of Keny Blvd & Lafayette St. to change from R-3 & R-4 to PUD. Legislation is coming to Council this month.

Councilman Peters – asks about right turn lane near Cassey's.

Rex Castle – Responded there will be a middle turn lane.

Councilman Peters – Would be wise to cut out a right turn lane on their property?

Rex Castle – I don't know if there's enough room. This is only a preliminary plan.

Councilman Eades – Road F that goes down to the commercial area. Will that be a private road?

Rex Castle – Yes, that will be one of three exits out of their complexes.

Councilman Robinson – Is there going to be enough room? Are we going to have to put in 4-ways?

Bill Long – I saw we put in round abouts, small ones. The same as what Beacon Hill has.

Councilman Robinson – I'm asking about a 4 lane road?

Rex Castle – We'd have to buy land. I don't think… We are working on intersections like Keny Blvd & Lafayette to monitor traffic patterns.

Councilman Robinson – We have around 2000 more cars & new traffic going into this area. Do we have a plan?

Rex Castle – Discussion about current traffic and possible change in speed. There needs to be a more detailed plan.

Councilman Robinson – I'm just asking if we have a plan down the road. Are the roads set for expansion.

Rex Castle – I feel Keny Blvd is set. We can require them to do a traffic study.

Councilman Peters – That's something we can require, since it's in the city.

More discussion about other studies completed and thoughts about traffic within city limits. With all the construction coming in, are we preparing the streets to be the correct sizes when everything is said and done.

Motion to move this change from R-3 & R-4 to PUD to Council by Councilman Robinson, 2nd Councilman Peters. Passed 3-0 voice vote. Sponsored by Henry Comer

New business: None

Old business: None

Public Comment:

Tommy Boyd – During the Parks & Recs discussion about sign ups being down. Moving outside games to inside might increase registration. Citizens were asking about a privacy fence going up with the new construction?

Rex Castle – That was addressed with the developers and they are going to add trees or fences, but leaving the older trees in place.

Tommy Boyd – They wanted to bring this up now when there is a chance to add it to the plans.

Councilman Peters – I'll address the volleyball enrollment. London Elite is taking a lot of the players. They are a traveling team.

Adjournment: 6:53pm

Next Public Service Committee meeting – 12/6

APPROVED 12-6-23

Public Service Committee
10/4/2023

1. Swimming Pool
    a. Repairs to the Racing Pool expansions joints have been completed by American Leak Detection

2. Parks
    a. Vandalizing activity has picked up at both parks. Working with LPD to identify the individuals
    b. Cowling Park
        i. Received a quote on turning asphalt area into 2 pickleball courts
            1. Still looking to receive 1-2 more quotes before presenting
        ii. Parks and Rec will be set up at the gazebo on Trick-or-Treat night
            1. Purchased backdrops for photo opportunities and will pass out candy
    c. Merri Mac Park
        i. Work on ball diamonds started, and then the tiller broke again
        ii. Merri Mac Miracle informed us that a gaga ball pit has been donated to them from St. Patricks School
    d. Dog Park
        i. New clamps were added on the drinking fountain on the large dog side to help alleviate the ponding issue

3. Programs
    a. Youth Outdoor Fall Volleyball League
        i. Last day of regular season games is Sunday Oct 8th
        ii. Tournament starts Monday Oct 9, Championship is Weds Oct 11th

    b. Youth Winter Basketball
        i. Registration is open to any boy or girl in grades K-6th
            1. $85 to register
                a. Only $75 each if registering multiple
            2. Player Evaluations will be the week of Nov. 6th
            3. Practices start the week of Nov. 13th and games will start in early December
            4. Online registration and more info can be found at https://www.londonohio.gov/youth-basketball-league

STREET DEPT

- Pull Signs In Right Way
- Salted BARN
- Change ORD. About building ROADS To Read What Ever ODOT Spec. Are At That Time
- LOCATES
- WATER MAIN 1ST ST.
- FENCH DRAIN Dog PARK
- TRIM TREE AROUND ~~ROADS~~ ROADS · sidwalks
- TRIM - CUT TREE AWAY FROM bridges
- PAINT EV PARKING PARK
- DIRT WORK old School
- SEWER ARTS Building
- STREET SWEEPER AROUND TOWN
- Big Blue Shop Agine - Creek mower
- C/S RD GRAND opining
- C/S RD FOR SEWER lining
- MOW DITCHS
- WORK on Eqpt.
- ~~Dead~~ ANIMALS pick up.
- WATER lines BORE CO. hitted
- MH COUNTY Ridge
- MH CENTER ST Rebuild
- hauled GRAVEL
- SIGN Replacement AROUND TOWN
- CEMENT INSP.
- ~~Rock~~ Berm RDS.

- Coil patch
- Duro patch
- Interviews
- Ins. About salted barn
- Ins About 4/50 other Ins. paid
- CKD on new trucks
- Wildcat Gaurd Rail
- Pick up Teller tractor
- Pick up mower Trash Dept.
- ~~Sewer~~ Camera Sewer Elm St. Sewer Dept found roots
- leveled Dirt off Cowling park
- Working on watch Main Liberty St