

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
January 12, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Price, Strang – present. Vacancy in Ward II due to resignation of Christopher Carson who moved out of state.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Price/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 vacancy. Motion carried.

Bills for the month of December were presented. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the expenditures and warrant for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Plan Commission – Ed Willett reported that they will be taking another look at the plan and goals for this year.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – meet Jan. 19. New asphalt at Monroe and Pearl has washed away. Will be evaluated. Belleville St. where new water line to Wakanda Village needs attention where it has settled. Parke will notify County and inquire if it is their responsibility or Mr. Bow's.

Health/Safety – nothing from committee. David James was recognized and asked that the Mayor proclaim January as Radon Month in the City of Lebanon. Hand vote to approve – 7 aye.

Cemetery – meet Jan. 19.

Water/Sewer – nothing from committee. Cherry St. needs 1 more day to finish.

Public Property – meet Jan. 19. Alderman Kuch inquired about dumping at the cemetery. Kenny Missey reported that they have dumped sweepings from the streets there temporarily because of the weather. It will be removed when weather permits. Penny Pinkstaff also reported that her department has also had to dump there. (Other areas where it is normally dumped is not accessible due to weather).

Finance – need a list of needs from departments.

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Ordinance – meet Jan. 19.

Personnel – clerk/collector position looked at with regards to duties and salary. Will be address at next committee meeting after further review.

Clerk, Treasurer, Dept. Heads – nothing.

City Administrator – looking into some training from Risk Management (IML). Mascoutah has asked us to consider asking IDOT to allow us to do W. St. Louis St. from Monroe to Horner St. in 2010 instead of 2011 (we would be switching years with them). Aldermen Bartholomew/Almeter moved to request IDOT to switch the year with Mascoutah and to fund our portion out of Utility Tax. Amended by both Aldermen to state with IDOT approval.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Mayor – Mayor Abner asked for approval of the appointment of Landall Mack to finish out the term of Ward II Alderman vacated by Christopher Carson. Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the appointment.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Audience – Jim Reimann was recognized and stated that the 4-H has been recycling since 1996. They are trying to get a grant along with Belleville and wanted to know if it would interfere with Allied Waste recycling. That answer was no it would not because individuals can still choose to recycle with the 4-H.

He also reported that water was going into to storage units by him during the last heavy rain and was up to the door on the apartment buildings.

Unfinished Business – none.

New Business – Alderman Strang asked if the recycling on Rt. 50 was in our city limits. The answer was that it is in the unincorporated area of the county.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 26, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m.

Landall Mack was sworn in by the City Clerk as Alderman for Ward II to fill the remaining term of Christopher Carson.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – present. Alderman Almeter – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Streets/Alleys – nothing.

Health/Safety – meet Feb. 2.

Ordinance – nothing.

Water/Sewer – meet Feb. 2.

Cemetery – nothing. Alderman Kuch inquired about flowers that have blown off graves and cans. Will be picked up as soon as weather permits.

Finance - meet Feb. 2.

Public Property – nothing.

Personnel – meet Feb. 2 at which time the clerk/collector's salary will be discussed.

Clerk – executive session minutes for Mar. 12, 2007, Nov. 26, 2007, Dec. 10, 2007, Apr. 14, 2008 and Dec. 22, 2008 were presented. Aldermen Berberich/Haupt moved to approve the minutes.

Treasurer – will discuss income at Finance Committee meeting.

City Administrator – meeting at St. Clair Co. board room on Thursday evening from 6 – 8 p.m. Need someone to attend. Request to go to Representative and Senator for stimulus package.

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Mayor – welcomed Mr. Mack to the council.

Dept. Heads – nothing.

Sid – nothing.

Old Business – Alderman Strang asked about the hat factory apartments. Parke Smith reported receiving a letter from Mr. Hamrick requesting a meeting with him.

New Business – nothing.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
February 23, 2009

The Council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – present.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – committee recommendation to install a 24” surface drain on south side of Shady Lane and 2 inlets but easements are needed before proceeding. Committee recommendation put on hold.

Committee recommendation to put yield signs on Wentworth and Roosevelt Sts. with Wesley St. as the through street and for the ordinance to be drawn up.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to put stop signs at the following locations in Wakanda Estates: facing traffic on Patricia Ave., Town Line Add., Tantau Ct. and Wakanda Dr. with Perryman St. as the through street; facing traffic on Wakanda Dr. and Bow Dr. with Belleville St. as the through street; facing traffic on Indian Ct. with Bow Dr. as the through street; and a four-way stop at the intersection of Perryman St., Bow Dr. and Tantau Ct. and for the ordinance to be drawn up.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation that there be no parking on the west side of S. Horner St. between W. Schuetz St. and Mary Jane St. and for the ordinance to be drawn up.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to have a handicap parking space at the north end of Dr. Cioni's building on N. St. Clair St. (at end of railing in front of beauty shop) with a 5'

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zone on each side of the space and 2 signs installed and for the ordinance to be drawn up.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Recommendation carried.

Alderman Almeter reported that he toured the south end of town. Drainage and culvert by CCX needs to be addressed.

Alderman Kuch reported that the corner of N. Pearl and N. Monroe is getting worse. Parke reported a culvert will be put in soon.

Health/Safety – meet Mar. 2.

Ordinance – discussed 10-1.

Water/Sewer – meet Mar. 2.

Cemetery – streets need attention. Some trees still need to be taken down.

Finance – meet Mar. 2. Will have first draft of budget.

Public Property – nothing to report.

Personnel – meet Mar. 2.

Clerk – Hampel Magic Shop would like to use mini park on April 18 for annual magic in the park. Will supply proof of insurance. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Treasurer – Jan. general fund took in \$72,000 with expenses of \$96,000. At 56% of budget. Water and sewer funds are okay.

City Admin. – Lebanon will receive \$334,400 from stimulus package to do sidewalk from W. St. Louis St. to the park. Total cost of project estimated at \$418,000. St. Clair County received 3.8 million for 9 projects.

Alderman Kuch inquired about the sidewalk in front of the old hat factory. Parke reported that if Mr. Hamrick does not have a contract to have the sidewalk done, our crew will start Mar. 2 and bill him for the work. Mr. Hamrick is working with a contractor to put a fence around the dumpster.

The residence with the couch on N. Monroe St. has been given 10 days to remove it.

Survey for stop lights is almost done.

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Mayor – announced that Kyle McCarter has been named to replace Frank Watson who resigned.

Dept. Heads – nothing.

Audience – Jack Wise reported sump pump drainage from 2 houses down from him. Will be looked into.

Old Business – none.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 9, 2009**

The Council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang – present.
Alderman Almeter, Price – absent.

Mayor Abner led the Council and Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 6 aye, 2 absent.

Bills for the month of February were presented. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the expenditures and warrant for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang – aye.
Aldermen Almeter, Price – absent.

Plan Commission – Parke Smith reported that the Plan Commission met Mar. 3 and it is their recommendation to rezone 702 Hillcrest Dr. from C-1 to SR-2. Aldermen Strang/Kuch moved to approve the Plan Commission's recommendation and for the ordinance to be drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang – aye.
Aldermen Almeter, Price – absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Price entered the council chambers at 7:35 p.m.

Turkey Hill Grange representatives were present and presented a trophy, certificates and cash for winning 1st. place in their annual trivia night for communities. Alderman Strang reported that the team gave back \$100 of the winnings to the Grange to help purchase dictionaries for third graders. She then presented the remaining \$100 to Chief McLemore for the D.A.R.E. Program.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – meet Mar. 16.

Health/Safety – committee recommendation to allow the Mayor to sign the Med Star contract.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye.
Alderman Almeter – absent. Recommendation carried.

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Water/Sewer – committee recommendation to approve change order for Ehret (S. Cherry St. project) in the amount of \$1,830.05 for connections that were not in the original bid.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Alderman Almeter – absent. Recommendation carried.

Public Property – meet Mar. 16. Alderman Kuch inquired about the roof. Parke reported that the price is locked in and Martin Roofing will begin toward the end of the City's fiscal year.

Chief McLemore reported that a vehicle seized for drug possession of the owner was auctioned off by the county for \$1,000. Special fund should be getting a check for \$850 after the county's fee is taken out.

Finance – first draft of budget discussed. Looking at cost of oiling and chipping.

Ordinance – meet Mar. 16.

Personnel – will rework clerk language and present at next personnel committee meeting with salary increase recommendation. Need to set up meeting to meet with non-union personnel.

Clerk – ordinance restricting parking on Horner Street was presented. Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Alderman Almeter – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1220.

An ordinance approving yield signs and street signs was presented. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Alderman Almeter – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1221.

Mi Cli Bo Circus unit request to hold annual bunny promotion at the square on Apr. 10 and 11 with rain dates of Apr. 17 and 18. Will furnish proof of insurance. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Treasurer – budget should be ready for full council review on April 13 with hearing notice in the local paper on April 15 with public viewing of budget from April 15 until April 27. Hearing to be held April 27 at 7:15 p.m. and finalization on April 27 at full council meeting.

Report on revenue for the month of February.

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Dept. Heads – nothing.

City Admin. – resolution of support for CDBG PY2009 needs Mayor's signature. Aldermen Bartholomew/Haupt moved to allow the Mayor to sign the resolution.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Alderman Almeter – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Resolution No. 1-2009.

Parke reported that the non-union employees were at the last committee meeting. They are concerned about the increase in dependant coverage cost to them. Efforts were made to get quotes on the exact same coverage but has been held up by the FOP. To get quotes, all employees had to fill out a form. Police did not return their forms.

McKendree Univ. will be holding another 5K run due to the tremendous response to the last one. Will be held March 28 beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Mayor – met with school super. and marketing rep. The school is doing this to come up with ways to incorporate businesses with schools.

Audience – none.

Unfinished Business – county has parks grant coming up. Public Property needs to think about things needing to be done at the mini park.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

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MARCH 23, 2009

The City Council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Mack, Price, Strang – present.
Aldermen Haupt, Kuch – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Berberich moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 6 aye, 2 absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – culvert across from Car Quest has been jetted and cleaned. Culvert by the railroad tracks is 2' higher.

Committee recommendation to approve spending \$1,384 out of utility tax to apply for grant for Summerfield St. The money will be refunded if denied. This is for year 2014 with the grant being 75% and the City paying 25%.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Mack, Price, Strang – aye.
Aldermen Haupt, Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

Request from Christ Bros. Asphalt to vacate alley in 800 block of S. Herman St. was referred to Plan Commission due to the nature of proposed use.

Alderman Strang questioned the letter sent out by Allied Waste increasing recycling fee. Letter was sent out in error – was not to go to City residents since the City has a contract for city-wide pick up.

Alderman Bartholomew inquired about drainage problem at Prescriptions Plus.

Health/Safety – meet April 6.

Ordinance – an ordinance rezoning 702 Hillcrest Dr. was presented. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Mack, Price, Strang – aye.
Aldermen Haupt, Kuch – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1223.

An ordinance designating handicap parking spaces was presented. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Mack, Price, Strang – aye.
Aldermen Haupt, Kuch – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1223.

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An ordinance amending code of ordinances with regard to riding bicycles on sidewalks was presented. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Aldermen Haupt, Kuch – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1224.

Request from Craig Frey was referred to the Plan Commission.

Water/Sewer – meet April 6.

Cemetery – nothing to report.

Finance – meet April 6.

Public Property – skate board park and property looking for heads up.

Personnel – meet April 6.

Clerk – nothing.

Treasurer – took in \$1,265,318 in income and expended \$1,274,000 as of March 31.

City Admin. – nothing to add.

Mayor – nothing.

Dept. Heads – Penny reported that Northtowne lift station on line as of March 20.

Chief McLemore reported recovering stolen property shortly after the theft.

Treasurer Kloos inquired about a dune buggy she seen driving on N. Monroe St.

Audience – nothing.

Old Business – none.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be discussed, Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 6 aye, 2 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Koshko,
City Clerk

April 13, 2009

Aldermen Strang/Kuch moved to send letter to FOP Union regarding uniform allowance and vacation roll-over.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – motion carried.

Aldermen Strang/Bartholomew moved to renew the current City Administrator's (Parke Smith) contract for a four (4) year period at current salary.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Aldermen Strang/Haupt moved to extend temporary employment of Ron Griesbaum for a period of not to exceed six (6) months.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Aldermen Strang/Price moved to offer the position of Superintendant of the Street/Alley/Cemetery Department to Ken Missey.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Price, Strang – aye. Alderman Almeter – nay. Alderman Mack – abstained for personal reasons. Motion carried.

Aldermen Strang/Kuch moved to extend the Chief of Police's (Ron McLemore) contract for a period of one (1) year at current salary.

Roll Call: Aldermen Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew – nay. Motion carried.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Strang,
Personnel Chair

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 14, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – present.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Abner thanked the council for rearranging schedules so that the meeting could be changed from Monday to Tuesday so that those who wanted could attend the memorial service for Karen and Robert Beaty on Monday evening.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Bills for the month of March were presented. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the expenditures and warrant for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Plan Commission – Ed Willett reported that they approved two (2) requests for signs in the Historic District at 115 W. St. Louis St. and 211 W. St. Louis St.

Craig Frey, owner of the building at 211-213 W. St. Louis St. requested a Special Use Permit to allow an apartment at 213 W. St. Louis St. on the ground floor. Plan Commission vote 3 to 2 to deny the request. Mr. Frey was present and explained that the building was originally built as a residence. His family lived there and used it as a residence until recently. They also had a business in the 211 side which was discontinued. He currently has 211 rented out as a business, but has been unable to rent out the 213 side. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to accept the recommendation of the Plan Commission to deny the request. Discussion. Motion and second withdrawn by both Alderman Bartholomew and Strang. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to put the decision on hold until the next meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Abner recognized Mr. Lee who congratulated those who won in the recent election.

Committee Reports:

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Street/Alley – meet April 20. Alderman Berberich inquired about the condition of the alley on W. Schuetz St. where the sump pump is draining. Owner to be contacted.

Health/Safety – County is researching who dug out the ditch on Belleville St. Ditch is now a hazard to traffic.

Trash issues were discussed.

Cemetery – meet April 20. Cutting of the grass has begun. Parke gave Kenny Missey recognition for contacting Seipp about cutting the cemetery for the Easter holiday.

Water/Sewer – Alderman Price reported that SLM will be increasing the cost of water by thirty cents (\$.30) per 1,000 gallons in the next three (3) to four (4) months.

Public Property – meet April 20.

Finance – committee recommendation to approve the budget draft.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to delay any major purchases until the money becomes available. Discussion. Motion and second rescinded by Alderman Bartholomew and Alderman Kuch.

Alderman Kuch moved to delay purchases from the general fund until money becomes available. Motion died for lack of second.

Ordinance – meet April 20.

Clerk – MFT resolution presented. Aldermen Almeter/Price moved to pass the resolution.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Request to close the first two (2) blocks of W. St. Louis St. for May Market Day on Sat., May 2 from 6 A.M. until 5:00 P. M. Aldermen Haupt/Strang moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Request to close the first two (2) blocks and possibly block three (3) of W. St. Louis St. on May 2, June 6, July 4, Aug. 1, Sept. 5 and Oct. 10 from 6 P. M. until 9 P. M. for the annual car shows. Certificate of insurance already on file. Aldermen Mack/Berberich moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

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Treasurer- income to date \$1,318,000 and expenditures \$1,258,000. Still one (1) payroll to go and other expenses to be paid before the end of the fiscal year. Treasurer Kloos inquired about the roof. Parke stated it is to be done by the end of April. He will contact Martin Roofing.

Depts. – nothing.

C.A. – has info from IML for training for newly elected officials.

Mayor – thanked everyone for their support.

Audience – Ed Willett requested that the lot north of the cemetery be used by McKendree University on April 24 from 7 P. M. until 10:30 P. M. weather permitting for star gazing. There will be four (4) or five (5) telescopes set up for individuals to use. Parking will be available at the convocation center. Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the request contingent upon certificate of insurance. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

John Mould was recognized and stated the water problem still exists on W. Dee St. He stated he has been asking for it to be fixed for three (3) years. It will be addressed as soon as the current project is done.

Officer Biel was recognized. He introduced the new K-9 named Taser to the council.

Unfinished Bus. – none.

New Bus. – none.

Personnel – Aldermen Strang/Almeter moved to go into executive session under Section 2(c) (1) – employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance of the Open Meetings Act with the Mayor, Treasurer, Aldermen, City Administrator and the Police Chief for approximately one (1) hour. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

This ends the minutes taken by the City Clerk.

Regular session recessed at 8:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

Aldermen Strang/Bartholomew moved to reconvene regular meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Regular meeting reconvened at 10:40 p.m.

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Aldermen Strang/Kuch moved to send letter to FOP Union regarding uniform allowance and vacation roll-over.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – motion carried.

Aldermen Strang/Bartholomew moved to renew the current City Administrator's (Parke Smith) contract for a four (4) year period at current salary.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Aldermen Strang/Haupt moved to extend temporary employment of Rob Griesbaum for a period of not to exceed six (6) months.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Aldermen Strang/Price moved to offer the position of Superintendant of the Street/Alley/Cemetery to Ken Missey.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Price, Strang – aye. Alderman Almeter – nay. Alderman Mack – abstained for personal reasons. Motion carried.

Aldermen Strang/Kuch moved to extend the Chief of Police's (Ron McLemore) contract for a period of one (1) year at current salary.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich – nay. Motion carried.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Strang,
Personnel Chair

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 27, 2009

The public hearing for the 2009-2010 budget was called to order by Mayor Abner at 7:15 p.m. Hearing was closed at 7:33 p.m.

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – present. Alderman Almeter – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Almeter entered the council chambers at 7:35 p.m.

Plan Commission – Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation to deny Craig Frey's request for a Special Use Permit to allow an apartment on the ground floor of a building in the historic commercial district.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – Parke talked to the owner on W. Schuetz St. about his sump pump discharge. Owner will disconnect sump pump and run into his own yard. Ditch to be cleaned out also.

Need to fill in depression at Monica and Plum where service to manufactured home was installed.

Drainage on N. Monroe near Acorn Way was discussed.

Christ Bros. were thanked for work on street in Industrial Park.

Committee recommendation to change traffic flow around McKendree as has been done in the past for commencement on Saturday, May 9. Hand vote – 8 aye. Recommendation carried.

Large item pick up on regular trash days May 11, 13, 15 for Allied Waste Customers.

Jake breaking on S. Madison St. was discussed. Mr. Grunden passed out information for the ordinance committee pertaining to this.

IDOT to look into T. Bow's drainage.

Health/Safety – meet May 4.

Cathy Schardan was recognized and reported that the vacant house near her is drawing animals and rodents. Would like to see something done. John Mould was recognized and reported on cats running in his neighborhood.

Cemetery – nothing. Alderman Mack reported that Mr. Appleman had contacted him about a tree planted by his wife's grave which is now gone. Would like to replace tree. He also reported a tombstone that appeared to have been hit by a lawn mower.

Finance – Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to pass the budget ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1225.

Statement about the City being \$50,000 in the black was misleading. The general fund stills owes the utility tax fund \$50,000, still need about \$30,000 for police increases for fiscal year 2008-2009 and roof still needs repaired at a cost of \$30,000.

Water/Sewer – meet May 4. Penny reported that the anniversary inspection of the water tower revealed that the paint needs touched up. Waiting on report from Caldwell.

Kevin Newsome was recognized and thanked the department for landscaping where the pipes for the new water line were stored.

Public Property – committee recommendation to transfer \$895 from the police vehicle fund to the DARE program.

Roll Call: Aldermen Almeter, Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Recommendation carried.

Personnel – the City Administrator and Police Chief's contracts have been approved and signed. Committee meets May 4.

Clerk – swearing in of newly and re-elected officials will be at the next meeting on May 11.

Treasurer – will file budget at the courthouse tomorrow.

City Administrator – Parke reported on USDA rural development program. Money available for loans and grants for first responders, water/sewer, etc

Mayor – thanked Alderman Almeter for his past and present.

Ordinance – looking into RV ordinance. Meet May 18.

Audience – Jim Horneman was recognized and inquired why city employees were picking up and delivering totes and then storing them on city property when we have a contract with the waste company. Parke explained that they were picking up totes that were causing a hazard due to being in the street.

Dept. Heads – nothing. Chief McLemore thanked the council for the contribution to the DARE program.

John Mould was recognized and inquired if he could sign a waiver and help the crew when they worked on his problem.

Alfred Pritchett was recognized and spoke on the pot holes on W. St. Louis St. from the 400 block of W. St. Louis to Belleville St.

Eastern side of Rt. 4 is to be resurfaced. Penny reported that they have started north on Rt. 4.

Mr. Pritchett asked about lights at McDonald's. Sue Horneman asked if the directional arrows could be repainted.

Old Business – none.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
MAY 11, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

City Clerk, Pamela Koshko, swore into office Scott Abner, Mayor, Vurla Kloos, Treasurer, Ed Willett, Alderman Ward I, Julie Haupt, Alderman, Ward III, and George Kuch, Alderman Ward IV. Mayor Abner swore into office Pamela Koshko, City Clerk.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang, Willett – present. Alderman Price – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye. Motion carried.

Bills for the month of April were presented. Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the expenditures and warrants for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Price – absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Abner deviated from the regular agenda and introduced Mr. John West, St. Clair Co. Board member representing Lebanon. He replaced Kyle McCarter. Mr. Lee, another Lebanon representative from the board member, was also present.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – meet May 18. Alderman Haupt reported attending IDOT meeting with Sid LeGrande from Rhutasel. Summerfield St. project is a top priority for St. Clair Co. Sid reported that bid letting for Monroe St. sidewalk should be about July 31. Parke reported that St. Louis St. has been moved up to 2010, Belleville St. will be 2011 and Summerfield St. in 2012. The county will also be doing their portion of Belleville St. in 2011.

Alderman Kuch inquired about the lights that are out downtown. Kenny reported that an electrician is needed.

Dottie Bennett was recognized and stated that the trash containers are too big. Parke is to inquire about smaller totes.

Jack Wise was recognized and stated alley behind his house is fine, but the house on the corner is now causing a problem.

Don Burgett and Philip Grunden were recognized and voiced concerns over Allied Waste.

Health/Safety – nothing. Alderman Berberich reported receiving calls about grass height.

Cemetery – nothing. Meet May 18.

Water/Sewer – water rate increase from SLM.

Public Property – nothing. Meet May 18.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to change the regular City Council meeting from Monday, May 25 to Tuesday, May 26 at 7:30 p.m. due to Memorial Day observation. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Finance – nothing. Meet June 1.

Ordinance – nothing. Meet May 18.

Personnel – manpower issue in Police Dept. discussed.

Clerk – Fire Depts. annual request to close the streets for homecoming second weekend of July. Aldermen Strang/Berberich moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Request to hold wedding in mini park on July 15. Public Property committee to come with regulations concerning clean up, damage, etc.

Treasurer – enough money in checking account to pay bills.

Dept. Heads – Penny reported that they are pressure testing fire hydrants. Hydrants will be flushed next week.

City Admin. – nothing to add.

Mayor – reported on promoting Lebanon to SAFB on June 14.

Audience – nothing else to add.

Unfinished Business, New Business – nothing.

With nothing further to be discussed, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
MAY 26, 2009**

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Strang, Willett – present. Aldermen Haupt, Mack, Price – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Alderman Price entered the council chambers at 7:33 p.m.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 6 aye, 2 absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Abner made the following appointments: ESDA Coordinator – Mike Strang; Collector – Pamela Koshko (4 yr.); Police Chief – Ron McLemore, Plan Commission – Casey Andrew, Steve Brown, John Cummins, Madison Smith, Dean Brewer, Don Bald, Lyn Huxford, Paul Washington; Zoning Board of Appeals – Janice Grice, Joe Diliberto, Gary Mueller, Kathleen Appleby, Damien Rodriguez, Bill Sandretti, Tom Krumsieg; City Attorney – Steve Giacoletto and Patrick Johnston.

Aldermen Strang/Kuch moved to approve the appointments. Hand vote – 6 aye, 2 absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – Alderman Willett reported that the Mould driveway has been completed. A letter from Mr. Mould thanking Kenny and his department on a job well done was read. Seems the problem has been rectified. Tree limbs from recent storm have been picked up, pot holes filled, weeds cut and flags up for the holiday. Waiting for drier weather to clean ditches.

Parke reported that he talked with Jim Fields from the county concerning culvert across Wakanda Dr. at Belleville St. Culvert will be extended. Weeds are to be cut along Belleville St. as soon as they have men available.

Mayor Abner appointed the council committees as the same with the exception of Alderman Willett as head of Street/Alley.

Aldermen Strang/Kuch moved to approve the appointments. Hand vote – 6 aye, 2 absent. Motion carried.

Health/Safety – meet June 1.

Water/Sewer – meet June 1. Will be looking at old manholes. Penny reported that new water tower scheduled for repair mid June.

Cemetery – nothing.

Alderman Strang reported ruts being left from turning not being fixed.

Mr. Mould was recognized and inquired about flags on Veteran's graves. The Clerk reported that the gentleman that did it for years is unable to do it anymore. Mr. Mould would like for the scouts to take this on as a project. He will make contacts for donations of flags. The Clerk will try to get a list from Mr. Suydam.

Alderman Willett reported that McKendree University will hold a memorial at noon at the cemetery on Friday in observance of Memorial Day.

Public Property – committee gave thumbs up on getting bids to replace fence on the back lot line of the mini park.

Mr. Mould stated that the scouts would like to refinish the railing in City Hall.

Finance – committee recommendation to pay the police officers the second half of the uniform allowance.

Alderman Haupt entered the council chambers at 7:47 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – abstained. Alderman Mack – absent. Recommendation carried.

Personnel – meet June 1. Will discuss adding policy and requirement to personnel manual.

Ordinance – nothing.

Clerk – new committee report sheets will be handed out. Please turn in a report after every meeting even if there is nothing to report. 4-H would like to hand out ice cream to the council members at the next meeting.

Treasurer – should receive first tax money August 28. Tax installments due Sept. 9 and Nov. 10. Tri-Township Water has changed their tap on fee to \$3,000.

City Admin. – Rep. Stephens called about noon on Fri. for a list of projects to be done. List was needed that day. Sid assisted with a list which included Cherry St. Improvements Phase III, City-Wide Sidewalk Removal and Replacement, Sanitary Sewer Inflow/Infiltration, New Roof for the Police Station, and Madison St. Pedestrian Signal by the school.

May 26, 2009

Mayor – nothing.

Dept. Heads – nothing.

Audience – Tucker Bartholomew was recognized and thanked Officer Heine for assistance with a burglary. Alderman Price also voiced his thanks.

Mr. Mould inquired about what could be done about dogs leaving feces on property when owners walked them. Mr. Horneman inquired about animals running loose.

Parke stated that there is a leash ordinance and also an ordinance concerning owners cleaning up after their dogs.

Old Business - none.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
June 8, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Abner thanked the local 4-H group for providing ice cream to the council and assembly in observance of dairy month.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present.

Mayor Abner asked the two 4-H members present to lead the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Bills for the month of May were presented. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the expenditures and warrant for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Abner recognized Mr. West, County Board Chairman. Mr. West reported that he has been knocking on doors in the area and introducing himself.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – meet June 15. Working on requirements to bid letting for sidewalk to park and crossing light near Pearl and N. Monroe.

Health/Safety – committee recommendation to get bids to demolish homes at 714 S. Cherry St. and 412 E. McAllister St.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Motion carried.

Thirty-day notice will be given to property owner in second block of W. Schuetz St.

Cemetery – meet June 15. Alderman Mack reported that he asked Parke to make sure grass was cut in southwest section for Memorial Day weekend and it was done. He has patrolled after dark looking for vandals and found none so far.

Water/Sewer – committee recommendation to continue no summer sewer reduction.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Recommendation carried.

June 8, 2009

Committee recommendation to go out for bids to replace two (2) manholes and connecting sewer lines on Harmon Dr. Money to come from sewer capital outlay.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Motion carried.

Review ongoing on rate increase by SLM (info only).

Parke reported that Verizon has approached the City about antennae on the new water tower.

Public Property – meet June 15.

Finance – nothing. Meet July 6.

Ordinance – meet June 15.

Personnel – checking with lawyer as to timing and splitting of clerk/collector jobs.

Clerk – nothing.

Treasurer - \$82,000 income received in general fund for May.

Dept. Heads – nothing.

City Admin. – nothing else to add.

Mayor – would like council approval of the appointment of Warren Gale to Plan Commission. Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the appointment. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Audience – nothing.

Unfinished Business – Alderman Willett inquired about the skateboard park. Alderman Berberich reported a window broken out in the old bank building on the northeast corner of the square.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 22, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – committee, Mayor and City Administrator asked to look at 5-way intersection at S. Chamberlin/W. Dee/W. Main Sts. and offer solutions (e.g. more stop signs). Kenny mentioned putting a blinder apparatus on existing stop signs. Committee, Mayor and City Administrator asked to be ready to argue for or against no parking on Chamberlin St. from W. St. Louis St. to Belleville St. at next committee meeting July 20. S. Cherry St. to be oiled and chipped August 11. Lantern Lane needs a cap on storm drain. Kenny will fix alley behind Jack Wise's. Kenny reported it not quite complete.

Alderman Strang inquired about no parking at the end of W. Schuetz St. She also inquired about briquettes to control mosquito infestation at 73 A & B Harmon. Area will be trenched out to help improve drainage. Alton & W. St. Louis St. area needs trimmed. Hard for driver's to see. Fourth and S. Herman Sts. also need briquettes to control mosquitoes.

Kenny and his crew were thanked for assistance after storm over the weekend.

Health/Safety – nothing to report. Meet July 6.

Ordinance – RV first draft handed out. Discussion was held on grass clippings being blown out into the streets. For entities, including businesses, other than those defined in 13-19, they should seek permission from City Council when time permits, or Mayor or City Administrator regarding hosting events or activities involving music/noise greater than what is allowed in existing noise ordinance (to develop special event "form").

Water/Sewer - the Clerk reported Penny and her crew out over the weekend, pumping lift stations and monitoring water tower due to power outage. They were thanked.

June 22, 2009

Caseyville's new sewer plant to be toured by committee and anyone else from council soon. Their plant was engineered by TWM.

Cemetery – nothing to report. Tree down on north end of cemetery.

Finance – meet July 6.

Public Property – bids for fence at mini park on hold until there is money available.

Roof leaks and needs replaced at the sewer plant. Will cost approximately \$8,710 to replace. Aldermen Kuch/Strang moved to approve the expenditure not to exceed \$9,000 with money to come out of building capital outlay in the sewer department budget.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Motion carried.

Personnel – Ofc. Heine received a letter of appreciation from the homeowner for his work in solving a recent home invasion.

Incident report forms to be looked into.

Clerk – Fire Dept. lease expired 12/31/07. Needs to be reviewed for renewal.

Treasurer – enough money has been received to pay current bills.

City Admin. – nothing more to add.

Mayor – will be on vacation from July 13 thru 20. Would like a motion to appoint the senior alderman, Alderman Bartholomew, to act as Mayor Pro-tem with the authority to sign any pertinent documents during his absence. Aldermen Strang/Kuch moved to approve the appointment of Alderman Bartholomew as Mayor Pro-tem during that time with the authority to sign documents necessary.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Motion carried.

McKendree University will be hosting the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm system Region 8 Special Response Team training on the campus on Wednesday, June 24 and Thursday, June 25 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The Police Department and McKendree's Public Safety team will be included in the training. Ofc. Boehm is a member of ILEAS-SRT. This is homeland security related and is federally funded and run by the state.

Dept. Heads – nothing more to report.

June 22, 2009

Audience – Mr. Vastine was recognized and reported on trash at 306 W. Main St., the hedge is across the sidewalk, and the alley is a dump. Trash can at W. Dee and S. Monroe is still unemptied.

Old Business – none.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
JULY 13, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers. City Clerk Koshko called to meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present.
Alderman Bartholomew – absent.

Mayor Abner was absent as was Alderman Bartholomew who was appointed Mayor Pro-tem at the previous meeting. Clerk Koshko asked for a motion to appoint someone Mayor Pro-tem for the meeting. Aldermen Berberich/Kuch moved to appoint Alderman Mary Strang as Mayor Pro-tem. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-tem Strang led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bills for the month of June were presented. Aldermen Price/Kuch moved to approve the expenditures and warrant for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Bartholomew – absent. Motion carried.

Aldermen Kuch/Berberich moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye. Motion carried.

Plan Commission – met July 7 and heard two requests. Recommend rezoning 204 S. Fritz St. from SR to MR-3. Aldermen Kuch/Haupt moved to approve the Plan Commission's recommendation and for the proper ordinance to be drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Bartholomew – absent. Motion carried.

Recommend a Special Use Permit requested by Danny and Naomi Severs to allow single family residences in the C-1 district. Aldermen Kuch/Willett moved to approve the recommendation and for the proper ordinance to be drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Bartholomew – absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – meet July 20. CDBG for \$80,000 to do water, curb and guttering on S. Cherry St.

July 13, 2009

Alderman Price inquired about cutting of grass and weeds. Alderman Willett reported receiving a lot of calls about over growth and standing water. Alderman Kuch inquired as to if anyone has requested closing streets for McKendree run.

Health/Safety – Alderman Berberich thanked the fire department and police department for support during the picnic. Request that ordinance committee look into drafting an ordinance banning dog kennels on vacant lots. Alderman Berberich to inquire around neighboring cities as to copies of their ordinance.

Cemetery – meet July 20.

Water/Sewer – discussed asking engineering service to study water back up on Hunter St. and search for grants. Anyone interested in touring Caseyville sewer plant on Aug. 3 is asked to meet at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall and to let the clerk know who is planning to attend. Committee meetings will be held after the tour which should take about 1 hour.

Alderman Haupt inquired about pooling water at the corner of Pearl and Wesley. Penny reported that it is a valve and probably needs tightened.

Alderman Kuch asked about bids for the roof at the sewer plant. Three bids have been received and will be compared before a recommendation is made.

Public Property – meet July 20.

Finance – nothing to report.

Ordinance – meet July 20. Prevailing wage ordinance was presented. Aldermen Haupt/Kuch moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Bartholomew – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1226.

Personnel – resignation letter received from Ofc. Heine effective July 5. Chief to develop new hiring list. Ad has already been put in paper. Three slots will be reserved at the academy. Jeffrey Fields who is already a certified police officer was hired and will start July 22. This was an emergency hire approved by Mayor Abner.

No action to be taken at this time to separate clerk/collector position and all raises/step increases to remain as is current practice. Request from clerk to take time off from regular work hours for attendance at city council meetings was disapproved and current 90/10 per cent schedule will be followed.

Clerk – two water/sewer liens have been collected totaling almost \$1,000.

Treasurer – MFT allotment for the month is about half of what we have been receiving. Thanked fire department and other departments for help during the picnic.

July 13, 2009

Dept. Heads – chief reported several alcohol related fights during the picnic. Nothing from water/sewer and street departments.

City Admin. – nothing.

Mayor – nothing.

Audience – Al Gerdes reported that APG Enterprises will no longer be as of July 31.

City Admin. – bids for Monroe St. sidewalk will be opened July 31. Thanked Al for all his assistance.

Unfinished Business – street dept. was thanked for clean up of the candy on streets from the fireman's homecoming.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
JULY 27, 2009**

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present. Alderman Kuch – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officer Jeffrey Fields was sworn in by the City Clerk.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Berberich moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – committee recommendation to approve request from Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club to close a portion of E. McAllister St., S. Herman St. and Rhoden St. on Sat., Aug. 1 from noon to 6 p.m. for scholarship fund raiser. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

\$75,000 has been earmarked by the State for pedestrian signals at S. Madison and Schuetz St. (passage assisted by Sen. Kyle McCarter). Will keep council apprised on trash, recycling and yard waste. S. cherry St. will be prepped week of July 27 for Aug. 11 oiling & chip.

Alderman Strang inquired as to what has been done about the no parking signs at the end of W. Schuetz St. Will be looked into.

Alderman Willett thanked the Street Dept. for trimming bushes and trees at Stanton St.

Health/Safety – Aldermen Berberich/Bartholomew moved to approve expenditure of \$27,964 for CenCom payment.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent.

Ordinance – Aldermen Haupt/Bartholomew moved to pass the ordinance rezoning 204 S. Fritz St. from SR-3 to MR-3.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1227.

July 27, 2009

Aldermen Haupt/Willett moved to pass the ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to Danny and Naomia Severs to use 405, 409 and 411 W. St. Louis St. as single family residences (not a permitted use in C-1 district).

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1228.

Committee recommendation to extend fire department contract for four (4) years contingent upon their approval and for the Mayor to sign the contract.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. REcommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to repeal Ord. 1007 (BOCA Code) and replace it with International Building Code and for the ordinance to be written.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to reword Utility Permit, Temporary on pg.. 27 of the zoning to read – “A 30 day permit allowing for utility connection only (not occupancy) on a structure which is under alteration, renovation or remodeling” and for the ordinance to be written.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to reword definition of Recreation Vehicle on page 21 of the zoning ordinance, to revise Section 8-9 and for the ordinance making changes written.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Berberich – nay. Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

Aldermen Haupt/Bartholomew moved to amend Section 10 of Ord. 1157 using revised fee schedule for building permits.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Haupt, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Price – nay. Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried.

Dog kennel will be discussed at next committee meeting.

Water/Sewer – tour of Caseyville sewer plant Aug. 3. Meet at City Hall at 6:20 p.m.

Cemetery – trees need to be cut.

Finance – meet Aug. 3.

Public Property – the air conditioner in the library is in need of repair or replacement. There are three options – 1. Install new compressor, etc. in existing unit; 2 – install new air conditioner; 3 – install new air conditioner and furnace. Furnace was installed in 1984. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to go with option 3 not to exceed \$6,500. Money to come from Utility Tax until there is money to cover cost in general fund.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried.

Committee recommendation to replace floor in the entrance way to City Hall at a cost of approximately \$1,121.88.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to replace roof at the Police Station not to exceed \$25,000 (we have a grant in that amount).

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

Personnel – Officer Leonard resignation effective Sept. 24. Alderman Strang will be TDY Aug. 10.

Chief reported that the Academy starts Sept. 3. Testing will be done Aug. 8 with interviews Aug. 22 for roster.

Clerk – K of C would like to hold annual tootsie roll drive on Sept. 18 & 19. Will furnish insurance. A note from Farmers and Friends 4-H Club thanking everyone for past participation in their recycling program. They will continue to recycle paper.

Treasurer – tax computation report received. Assessments went up from \$53,667,489 to \$55,220,455. Tax levy figure for 2009 is \$231,751.

City Admin. – Turf Gator has purchased a lot in the Scott Airport Center. Mylar for minor subdivision should be available soon.

Parke reported he will be on vacation Aug. 10 thru 14. Clerk Koshko inquired as to who would be doing inspections since it will be a busy time for move ins. Parke reported that someone would be covering.

Mayor - thanks to Sen. Kyle McCarter who had influence in getting us grants for the pedestrian crossing, police roof and street work.

July 27, 2009

Dept. – Penny reported that final payment for Ehret needs to be approved contingent upon fire hydrant being repaired. Payment amount is \$7,193.20. Aldermen Bartholomew/Willett moved to approve the payment amount with the contingency.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried.

Penny reported work being done at old water tower. AT & T has sub contracted work to be done. There has been no authorization and work needs to be stopped.

Chief – nothing.

Kenny – in need of street oiling money.

Audience – Mr. Vastine inquired about trash at 306 W. Main St. It has not been picked up in two weeks. Also trash at corner of W. Dee and S. Monroe St.

Old Business – none.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Berberich moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 10, 2009**

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner residing. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Willett – present.
Alderman Strang – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Price/Mack moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.
Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Bills for the month of July were presented. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the expenditures and warrants for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Willett – aye.
Alderman Strang – absent. Motion carried.

Plan Commission – no hearings heard.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – meet Aug. 17. Emerald Mound/Lebanon Fire District would like to collect for MDA at the square on Friday, August 21 from 4 – 7 and Saturday, August 22 from 8 – noon. Certificate of insurance on file. Aldermen Berberich/Willett moved to approve the request.
Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Health/Safety – meet Sept. 7.

Cemetery – nothing to report.

Water/Sewer – committee received two (2) bid proposals for manholes on Harmon Dr. One was from Christ Trucking to replace the manholes and re-asphalt the road at a cost of \$11,700. The other was from Spectra Tech for relining three (3) manholes at a cost of \$7,096.50. No recommendation at this time, will look into getting more estimates. Tour of Caseyville sewer plant held Aug. 3.

Public Property – meet Aug. 17. Anisa Rucker was recognized and requested that the City put a dusk to dawn light up at Cherry St. Park at the basketball court area.

Ordinance – meet Aug. 17. Ordinance allowing Mayor, Clerk, W/S Super. and St. Super. to sign off on eighth minor subdivision on lot 9 at Scott Airport Center was presented. Aldermen Haupt/Bartholomew moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Willett – aye.
Alderman Strang – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1229.

Personnel – testing for Police Dept. roster was done Aug. 8.

August 10, 2009

Clerk – collected water/sewer lien in the amount of \$820.

Treasurer – water tower payment of \$35,809.02 due by Sept. 13, 2009.

Dept. – Penny had nothing. Kenny reported that he received a request for a 4-way stop at Acorn Way & Sylvan Vista. Chief to look into this. Oil date changed to Wednesday due to forecast of rain. Chief had nothing else to add. Kenny was given permission to weed eat around cones on Belleville St. (county area).

Rhutasei – Sid reported that Rite-Way was the low bidder at \$229,649.64 for Monroe St. Alderman Kuch asked how long before the stop light at Schuetz and S. Madison was erected and cost. Sid stated that it could take up to a year and that the grant is for up to \$75,000.

Mayor – nothing.

Audience – Anisa Rucker inquired about a sidewalk between S. Cherry and S. Herman Sts. There is a wheelchair bound person living at 322 E. St. Louis St. that can't come uptown because there is no sidewalk.

Finance – house available at 504 W. Dee St. thru HUD's Good Neighbor Program that the City could possibly obtain at the cost of \$1.00. Deadline to apply is Aug. 17. Aldermen Bartholomew/Price moved to attempt to purchase it for \$1. Discussion. Treasurer Kloos advised to look for hidden costs such as liens. Aldermen Bartholomew/Price amended the motion to add with the stipulation that it does not cost more than \$1.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Willett – aye.
Alderman Strang – absent. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business – Alderman Price mentioned the recent pit bull incident and wondered if the dogs were still on the property. Chief will look into this.

New Business – nothing.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 24, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Kuch/Mack moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Zoning Board of Appeals Report – hearing held on height and location of a fence at 603 Randle St. (Kevin Wright).

Committee Reports:

Health/Safety – nothing. Meet Tuesday, Sept. 8 (Labor Day on Sept. 7).

Ordinance – nothing from committee. Residents near 306 W. Main St. were present. Grass and debris has been an on- going problem for three (3) years. Residents are recycling large items. Gary Karraker was recognized and asked about trash pickup at that address. They have bags of refuse on the porch. Owner has been told to clean up yard and that he needs a special use permit to run a recycling business. Attorney to be contacted to help write an ordinance that we can enforce. Mr. Vastine asked if Alderman Haupt drafted the ordinances. She does not, but does work to draft wording of ordinances.

Water/Sewer – nothing. Penny reported that her department would be pressure testing lines to see if we can run off of SLM while new tower is repaired.

Cemetery - nothing.

Finance – meet Sept. 8.

Public Property – committee recommendation to allow a K-9 mini training with non-permanent structures on the property to the far west of the new water tower.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Recommendation carried.

Securing property next to sewer plant was discussed in committee. Alderman Mack stated he has some more information for Parke.

August 24, 2009

Personnel – testing for police positions was held Aug. 8. One candidate will be attending police academy beginning Sept. 4th. Jeff Vernatti is a State of Illinois certified officer with experience and will start Aug. 26. He should be ready to be on the road on his own within 3 to 4 weeks. Donald Harris will start Sept. 2 and has attended the part time academy. He will need to attend a 2 week law update class at the U of I. Interviews will be held on Sat. to establish eligibility list.

Clerk – request to block of street for annual Fall Festival was read. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve request. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Treasurer – bills have been paid and money is available to meet payroll.

City Admin. – nothing else to add.

Mayor – nothing.

Dept. Heads – nothing from water/sewer or streets/alleys. Chief reported a suspect has been identified in the school break in. He thanked McKendree University for the use of their facilities to do the testing.

Mr. Philip Grunden from N. Monroe St. was recognized and asked if anyone got permission to close off Monroe St. on Friday, Aug. 21 for a party to welcome McKendree Univ. students. Mr. Gary Williams was recognized and stated they were not controlling their guests.

Street/Alley – committee recommendation to allow Lion's Club request for Candy Days on Oct. 9 & 10 at Rt. 4 & 50, Rt. 50 & Belleville St. and north & south approach to Alton St. from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Hand vote – 8 aye. Recommendation carried.

Three dead trees need to be cut down – 4th. & Fritz; 300 block of Monroe St. and Monroe St. at the high school.

Mr. Bill Sandretti requested that there be no parking on Roosevelt St. from Wesley St. to Center St. Alderman Haupt has spoken to some of the residents in that area. Alderman Willett asked that the aldermen take a look and make any recommendations.

Alderman Willett requested that a 4-way stop at the intersection of Acorn Way and Sylvan Vista be looked into to prevent it from becoming a "drag strip" and to slow down traffic amidst children at play. Discussion. Aldermen Willett/Kuch moved to approve 2 Children at Play signs west and east of the intersection.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Motion carried.

August 24, 2009

Committee recommendation to accept low bid from Rite Way Excavating in the amount of \$229,646.54 for 1.31 miles of sidewalk removal and replacement and other work from W. St. Louis St. north to a point 100 feet north of Horner Park.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Recommendation carried.

Parke Smith to invite residents near Acorn Way to attend committee meeting on Sept. 21 to discuss sump pump drainage into N. Monroe St.

Street light out near Cherry St. Park. Ameren to be notified. Discussed additional lighting at the park.

Alderman Willett stated that the street department did an excellent job on S. Cherry St. Alderman Price reported that the street is in such good shape that vehicles are speeding.

Kenny Missey reported that Jody McNeese would like to close the 100 block of W. Dee St. from Las Cabanas parking lot to S. Pearl St. for a block party on Sat., Sept. 19 from 3 p.m. until midnight. Aldermen Kuch/Berberich moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Lee, Co. Board member was present and recognized. He was there to observe as he does every quarter.

Old Business – none.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang, Willett – present. Alderman Price – absent.

Clerk Koshko swore in Officer Donald Harris.

The Mayor led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Bills for the month of August were presented. Aldermen Kuch/Berberich moved to approve the expenditures and warrant for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Price – absent. Motion carried.

Plan Commission Report – no meeting held.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – request from Lebanon Merchant's Association to close off the first 2 blocks of W. St. Louis St. on Oct. 25 from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. for Witches' Night Out. Aldermen Willett/Berberich moved to approve request. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Slow children at play signs are in place on Acorn Way. Dave Renfro was recognized and stressed the need for a four-way stop at Acorn Way and Sylvan Vista. Police Chief and Street Committee to take another look.

Health/Safety – McKendree University will host McKendree Harvest Challenge 5K and half marathon on Sat., Sept. 26 beginning at 8:00 a.m. Streets involved will be Alton, W. St. Louis, Pearl, and Monroe & Ursula with no streets being closed.

Parke Smith reported that there will be an informational meeting on Monday, September 21, 2009 in City Hall from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. for the Monroe St. sidewalk project.

Residents from Acorn Way and Monroe St. have been invited to attend the committee meeting concerning drainage.

September 14, 2009

Alderman Kuch asked about trash calls on Hillcrest Dr. Mike Ogden was recognized and reported that one of the trucks leaks oils leaving oil spots wherever trash cans are located. Parke Smith reported that Allied has been notified and will power clean the street. Dave Renfro was recognized and stated the trucks need to apply brakes instead of locking them.

Alderman Haupt reported residents in audience concerning 306 W. Main St. Mr. & Mrs. Karraker and Mr. Vastine were present and spoke on the ongoing problem. Parke Smith reported that all information (correspondence, etc.) has been forwarded to the attorney for review.

Alderman Kuch stated there is trash across from the Neill apartments in the 3rd block of S. St. Clair St.

Alderman Mack brought up the house across from the high school. It poses a danger to youth. Owner will be given another notice to clean it up; tape will be put around the premises.

Cemetery – Alderman Mack reported that Carol Clark called him concerned about grass clippings on headstones.

Water/Sewer – committee recommendation to allow up to \$3,000 for water contingency for telemetry & transducer to bypass water tower.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Price – absent. Recommendation carried.

Public Property – meet Sept. 21.

Finance – committee recommendation to purchase new police car delayed.

Committee recommendation to allow Mayor to sign engineering agreement for Belleville and Alton Streets with funds to come from Utility Tax.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Price – absent. Recommendation carried.

Parke Smith reported that the arbitrator's ruling documents have been distributed to the aldermen. Approximately \$53,000 will be needed for back pay to May 1, 2008. We have 45 days to pay the back pay. Barb Cioni was recognized and asked about a pay scale.

Ordinance – meet Sept. 21. Canopies in the Historic District (barbecuing and socializing) will be addressed.

September 14, 2009

Personnel – discussed police hires & interviews held Aug. 29. Officer Vernatti is on patrol. Officer DeMateo is attending the academy. Discussed audit & bringing Police Dept. accountability for hours worked & time taken off to City Hall for accounting purpose & tracking. Need a motion to draw up ordinance allowing Mayor to sign the police contract. Aldermen Strang/Bartholomew moved to have the ordinance drafted.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Price – absent. Motion carried.

Clerk – counterfeit bills going around. Collected on another water/sewer lein.

Treasurer – does not know where the money is going to come from to pay everything. Deficit of \$92,000. We have currently received \$73,000 in tax money.

Dept. Heads – nothing.

Alderman Kuch reported road being cut up from ice delivery at McKendree.

City Admin. – Uncle Huffy's has requested a permit to allow music on Sept. 27 from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Mayor – Mr. West, County Board Member, was recognized.

Audience – Mr. Vastine reported funnel cakes were served at the Mermaid House on Sept. 3.

Old Business – none.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 28, 2009**

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Koshko swore in Officer Varnetti.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Ron Obernier was recognized and reported on Geocaching (a form of treasure hunting). He requested permission to use the mini park as a location to hide a cache. Aldermen Bartholomew/Mack moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 nay. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – sidewalk project (W. St. Louis St. to Horner Park) to begin mid October and finish March 31, 2010. Project will include installation of push button crossing light and crosswalk on N. Monroe St. at a point near and south of Pearl St. This installation may extend beyond the March 31 completion date of sidewalk. Alderman Kuch asked if ditches were going to be moved to improve water flow. Only if necessary. Concrete V gutter and French drain were discussed. Pre construction meeting will be held at IDOT on Wednesday, September 30, 2009.

Contract for resurfacing Alton St. from Summerfield St. to Ursula Dr. has been received. Alderman Willett would like to review it before recommending approval (\$300,000 grant).

Repaving Alton St. (W. St. Louis to Summerfield) will be a 75/25 cost with the City paying 25% plus engineering.

Alderman Kuch asked about the crossing light at S. Madison and Schuetz Sts. Should be around spring.

Ameren has repaired street light on S. Cherry St. by basketball court. New flood (directional) light has been ordered.

September 28, 2009

Recommendation to install 4-way stop at Acorn Way at Sylvan Vista and Kentfield was tabled until after next committee meeting.

Mr. Vastine was recognized and reported that the street sign at S. Monroe and W. Dee is missing.

Health/Safety – update on house across from the school. Fence is up.

Ordinance – committee recommendation to amend Sec. 4-6 paragraph 2 of Zoning Ordinance and for ordinance to be drawn up.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to amend noise ordinance Sec. 13-20 wording and 400 ft. to 50 ft. and for the ordinance to be drawn up.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to amend definition of a kennel (residential) in Article 2-2 (definitions) of Zoning Ordinance and Sec. 8-8 with the addition of © the lot on which any kennel is situated shall be adjoining to the owner's home and for the ordinance to be drawn up.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Recommendation carried.

Water/Sewer – Alderman Price stated he would like to change his vote to nay on the last two (2) committee recommendations.

Committee meets Oct. 5.

Cemetery – nothing from committee. There are a number of trees selected for cutting. Parke, Kenny and Alderman Mack to prioritize.

Finance – meet Oct. 5.

Public Property – committee recommendation to purchase 12 new State flags if we have the funds. Tabled.

Committee recommendation to purchase generator for water tower at a cost of \$1,500 with money to come from capital outlay.

Personnel – meet Oct. 5. Training 4 people in the Police Dept.

September 28, 2009

Clerk – request from the Fire Dept. to close S. St. Clair St. from W. St. Louis south to the alley on Wed., Oct. 7 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for open house. Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Area churches to gather on the square Sun., Oct. 4 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Graffiti on gazebo at the mini park. Joe Zimmer lee will stain over it since it can't be removed.

Another water lien has been paid.

Treasurer – sick.

City Admin. – sick.

Mayor – Mike Strang has resigned as ESDA Coordinator.

Chief – been staying busy.

Audience – nothing.

Old Business – none.

New Business – Alderman Strang asked about the tree next to Mr. Andretti's house.

Auto noise, speeding issues with college students.

With no further business to be conducted, Alderman Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 12, 2009

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried.

Bills for the month of September were presented. Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the expenditures and warrant for payments drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Motion carried.

Plan Commission – Parke Smith reported that the Plan Commission met on Oct. 6 and approved window decorating (painting) on holidays for Mama Gusto's. Windows cannot be painted more than 30 days before the holiday and painting must be removed 10 days following the holiday.

Plan Commission recommends approval of a home occupation to Kimberly Mumford at 9920 Bending Oaks to provide daycare. Aldermen Bartholomew/Mack moved to approve the recommendation and for the ordinance to be written.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Motion carried.

Plan Commission recommends approval of a home occupation to John Mumford at 9920 Bending Oaks for a taxidermy business. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to approve the recommendation and for the ordinance to be written.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – nay. Motion carried.

Plan Commission recommends rezoning of property on E. McAllister St. owned by Wendell Johnson from MH-1 to C-1. Aldermen Mack/Bartholomew moved to approve the recommendation and for the ordinance to be written.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang – aye. Aldermen Kuch, Willett – nay. Motion carried.

Will be reviewing signage and rules in C-2 District.

Committee Reports:

October 12, 2009

Street/Alley – nothing. Sidewalk construction to begin around Oct. 14.

Health/Safety – property at 306 W. Main is in foreclosure. Mr. Karraker was recognized and reported that no trash has been picked up. A 30 day notice has been sent to the owner of 215 W. Schuetz St. Need to find ESDA Coordinator replacement.

Cemetery – nothing.

Water/Sewer – water tower being prepped for painting. Penny reported that we were back to using the tower at noon today. She also reported receiving another bid for Harmon Dr. Bids will be discussed at next committee meeting.

Public Property – chairman will not be here on Oct. 26.

Finance - replacement of transmission in police car held off until next committee meeting. Alderman Haupt inquired as to how the fleet is now.

Ordinance – nothing.

Personnel – committee to meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 12 to discuss findings Parke tasked with and determine an offer to bring back to non-union employees.

Clerk – Looking Glass Playhouse scheduled to use gazebo in mini park for annual haunted happenings.

Treasurer – water fund \$50,000 and sewer fund \$70,000 to the good at this time, general fund is below.

City Administrator - nothing.

Mayor – neighbors to our east pursuing bypass.

Dept. Heads – nothing.

Unfinished Business – Vurla Kloos, treasurer, thanked the fire department for a nice open house. John Mould reported that the scouts will be doing flag retirement on Saturday.

New Business – Halloween trick or treating to be Oct. 31 for ages 14 and under from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 8 aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 26, 2009**

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present.
Alderman Kuch – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Mack moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – committee recommendation to approve engineering agreement with Rhutasel & Associates for Alton St. project (from Summerfield to Ursula) and for the Mayor to sign.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

Heather Ennor from TLC Daycare requested placement of a 4-way stop at E. Schuetz and S. Herman Sts. There is currently a two-way stop sign facing traffic on S. Herman St. Alderman Willett asked that the aldermen take a look at the area and report to him so that it can be discussed at next committee meeting.

Committee recommendation to install a four-way stop sign at the intersection of Acorn Way and Sylvan Vista Dr. and for the ordinance to be written. Tim Meeker, resident from Sylvan Vista, presented a petition signed by fourteen (14) area residents in favor of this.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

A request from Arlene Hall of 1011 Lantern Lane was tabled. Aldermen are requested to look at her driveway before next committee meeting.

Al Gerdes was recognized and presented a letter requesting that the first three (3) blocks of W. St. Louis St. be closed for Victorian Holiday from 4 p.m. till 10 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 20 and from 8 a.m. till 10 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21 and that there be no parking on the west side of the first 100 block of S. Monroe St., south side of W. Main St. from S. Monroe St to S. Pearl St., and the east side of the first block of S. Pearl St. during the same times. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to approve the request as presented. Hand vote – 7a ye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Health/Safety – meet Nov. 2. Alderman Berberich inquired about the home at 306 W. Main St. Parke Smith reported that the property is in foreclosure and that the residents have been issued an eviction notice. Cathy Karraker was recognized and reported that they have taken the windows out and there is a dog in the garage. Parke will contact the sheriff's office on Tuesday.

It was reported that trash has not been picked up at Wesley & Rt. 4 for the last three (3) weeks. Parke reported that bulk pick up is this week and if the residents have paid their trash bill, it should be picked up this week. If not, other action will be taken.

Ordinance – the committee heard from residents about the noise coming from Mama Gusto's. Will be addressed at next committee meeting. Committee recommendation to pass the ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign the FOP agreement.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1230.

Committee recommendation to pass ordinance rezoning property on E. McAllister St. owned by Wendell Johnson.

Roll Call: Aldermen Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price – aye. Aldermen Bartholomew, Strang, Willett – nay. Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1231.

Committee recommendation to pass ordinance amending code of ordinances with regard to noise nuisances.

Roll Call: Aldermen Berberich, Haupt, Strang, Willett – aye. Aldermen Bartholomew, Mack, Price – nay. Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1232.

Committee recommendation to pass ordinance amending article 2, 4, 8 and 10 of the zoning ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Price – nay. Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1233.

Will review bonding requirements at next committee meeting.

An ordinance allowing a special use permit for Kimberly Mumford to conduct a home daycare was presented. Aldermen Bartholomew/Haupt moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1234.

An ordinance allowing a special use permit for John Mumford to conduct a home occupation of taxidermy was presented. Aldermen Bartholomew/Haupt moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1235.

Water/Sewer – nothing. Meet Nov. 2.

Cemetery – will be cutting trees that have been struck by lightning, wind damaged or dead. One Tree that is not dead but impedes a grave space will also be cut. Will be looking into cemetery contract.

Finance – Alderman Bartholomew stressed the need to keep spending at a minimum. Over time should be limited and have prior approval when possible. Meet Nov. 2.

Parke reported that our risk management insurance is \$164,634. We can receive a 1% reduction by paying it in one (1) payment by Nov. 20. Finance committee to review budget for payment.

Public Property – committee recommendation to accept low bid from Martin Roofing to replace roof on police station. Money to come from a grant (Sen. McCarter). To be done when state releases the money.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to sell on e-bay or Craig's list 91,000 bricks from W. St. Louis St. project.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent. Recommendation carried.

Purchase of 140 gallon single burner draw kettle on hold.

Personnel – meet Nov. 2.

Clerk – nothing.

Treasurer – need motion to transfer \$2,000 to equipment maintenance from yard waste and hauling in the street department budget. Aldermen Price/Willett moved to allow the transfer.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried.

Need to discuss trust at next committee meeting.

City Administrator – reported on 2010 census.

Mayor – has been meeting with representatives from Clinton Co. concerning bypass.

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Dept. Heads – nothing.

Audience – Mr. Grunden was recognized. He reported that trucks and others are already bypassing Lebanon.

Old Business – none.

New Business – none.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Haupt moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 9, 2009**

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present.
Alderman Haupt – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Bills for the month of October were presented. Treasurer Kloos stated that the \$2,000 under the general fund for Attorney Johnston should be under Police Department. Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the expenditures with the correction and warrant for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent.

Plan Commission – met Nov. 3 and went over Chapter 6 of the zoning ordinance particularly the section pertaining to the Historic District (signs).

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – request from Victorian Lighting committee to close off streets Nov. 20, 21 and 22. Aldermen Willett/Berberich moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

A citizen inquired as to why there were flags on Belleville and Alton Streets. They are from surveying for the curb and guttering on Belleville St. and road work on Alton Street.

Request from the Rotary Club to sell fruit at the square on Nov. 28 and 29 was presented. Aldermen Bartholomew/Mack moved to approve the request. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Health/Safety – Trina Freshour and her dog were attacked by two (2) pit bulls on N. Monroe St. Ordinance need to be reviewed and changed to address dangerous dogs. The Freshours requested information regarding court appearance by the dogs' owners and information on inoculations. Parke will check with City Attorney for possible removal of dogs. Chief McLemore reported that the owners were issued two (2) citations.

Cemetery – nothing. Parke reported that patrolling of the cemetery has been stepped up.

There have been no arrests made in the break ins around. Town.

Parking by the water tower for McKendree basketball games was brought up. Alderman Willett stated that he did not think it was necessary to allow parking there as the University has procured the parking lot at St. Joseph Church.

Water/Sewer – committee recommendation to accept Korte & Luitjohan bid on three (3) manholes on Harmon Dr. at a cost of \$6,680.00 with money to come from utility system.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Recommendation carried.

Committee recommendation to accept Cell Net Station alarm bid and tie in for sewer plant at a cost of \$5,750.00 and \$6,000.00 for three (3) additional alarms for a total not to exceed \$12,000.00 with money to come from sewer capital outlay.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Recommendation carried.

Mr. Brockhahn spoke at the committee meeting for the people on Harmon Dr. concerning sewer back up. Will look into money from grants or other ways to get new station pumps for that street. Larry Rhutasel is looking into engineering costs.

Sen. Kyle McCarter and Co. Board Member John West were recognized as being in attendance.

Finance – nothing.

Ordinance – meet Nov. 16.

Committee meetings for Nov. 16 were changed to Nov. 17 due to two (2) committee members being out of town on Nov. 16.

Personnel – nothing. Will be meeting with non-union employee representatives. Received a letter from Officer Biel which will be discussed at Dec. 7 meeting.

Chief McLemore reported that Officer DeMateo will graduate from the academy on Friday.

Clerk – request from Chamber of Commerce to be reimbursed for one (1) trash can. They purchased a total of four (4). No action taken.

Ordinance amending four-way stops was presented. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1236.

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Treasurer – general fund balance \$67,822, bills are \$31,805 and we still need \$109,360 for risk management insurance which will have to be borrowed from utility tax. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to borrow amount needed from the utility tax fund. Parke reminded the council that the \$50,000 previously borrowed has not been paid back and we have projects coming up that require funds. Utility tax fund has a balance of \$245,000 and the checking investment has \$175,000.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Motion carried.

Need to look at cemetery trust. Tax levy needs to be discussed at next committee meeting.

Mayor – Mayor Abner reported that this week could be the 1,000 win for Harry Statham at McKendree University. Lebanon Winter Wonderland of Lights has received the Governor's Hometown Award.

Audience - Al Gerdes inquired about banners across Rt. 4 and City streets for Victorian Holiday. Needs to contact IDOT for Rt. 4. Motion to approve made by Aldermen Berberich/Kuch. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business – Alderman Price asked about cleaning out collector ditch behind Shegog and James property.

New Business - Military band will perform at Hett Center on Dec. 3.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Kuch/Willett moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 23, 2009**

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present. Alderman Kuch – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Berberich moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Officer Brad Dimatteo was sworn in by the City Clerk.

Al Gerdes was recognized and thanked everyone who assisted with the Victorian Lighting.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – Hawk Dev. request concerning storm drain work on Belleville St. already resolved.

McKendree Student Govt. Assoc. requested no parking on the west side of Alton St. from Belleville St. north to Summerfield St. Aldermen Willett/Haupt moved to approve no parking on the west side of Alton St. from W. St. Louis St. to Summerfield St. and for the ordinance to be drawn up.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried.

Scott Airport Center Group requested that the City repair Galaxy Drive which serves businesses. Parke Smith to procure estimates for repair which will probably be tables until next year.

Committee discussed Illinois State House Bill 0255 which takes effect on Jan. 1, 2010. Increases allowable truck weights from 73, 280 lbs. to 80,000 lbs on all roads including local residential roads. Local jurisdictions retain authority to post signs with lower weight limits. Ordinance committee to look into changing ordinance.

Arline Hall from 1011 Lantern Lane requests that road be reworked adjoining her driveway – Parke to request Kenny to measure road surface depth to determine if road can be shaved. Parke stated he would have road measured by the end of the week.

Health/Safety – nothing.

Ordinance – committee recommendation to repeal current animal ordinance and replace with new guidelines.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent.

Richard Kamm was recognized and asked that the noise ordinance recently passed be reviewed again as 50 ft. did not seem to be reasonable. He also questioned the wording of “repairs” in zoning ordinance changes.

Water/Sewer – nothing.

Cemetery – recommend Kenny go ahead cutting trees as needed. Cemetery contract is up. Parke stated that the attorney said it should go out for bids unless 2/3 of the aldermen agree to extend current contract. Discussion. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to go out for bids with an ad to go into the local newspaper and specs mailed to area providers.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Kuch – absent. Motion carried.

Finance – nothing. Alderman Bartholomew/Berberich moved to have a special meeting of the Finance committee on Monday, Nov. 30, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. to discuss funds. Hand vote – 7 aye.

Public Property – cost to fix Chevy Impala \$1,856.90 at Buhl’s (info only).

Personnel – meet Dec. 7. Will meet with non-union employee representatives on Dec. 8.

Clerk – nothing.

Treasurer – received \$43,000 real estate tax money. Will have figures together for special finance committee meeting.

City Admin. – reported on the upcoming census. Lebanon Kids, Inc. plans to have a special project for MLK day. Looking for input of projects that can be done.

Mayor – Mr. Lee from the county board was recognized. He reported that the county is in the process of doing the 2010 budget. On Jan. 1 fees go up.

Dept. Heads – nothing.

Audience – nothing.

Old Business – nothing.

New Business – nothing.

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With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Price/Bartholomew moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 14, 2009**

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – present.
Alderman Haupt – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Kuch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Bills for the month of November were presented. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to approve the expenditures and warrant for payment drawn.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Motion carried.

Plan Commission – Parke Smith reported that it is recommended to rezone parcels 05-30.0-100-017 and 05-19.0-337-021 located off of S. Madison St. to MR-3 contingent on the proposal being changed to have fewer units, more green space and the approval of the preliminary plat. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation and for the ordinance to be drawn up contingent upon approval of the preliminary plat with the changes.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Kuch – nay. Alderman Haupt – absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley – meet Dec. 21. Ordinance amending parking on N. Alton St. was presented. Aldermen Kuch/Strang moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance No. 1237.

Brenda Boudreau was recognized and handed out information on alternatives to leaf burning. No action taken.

Cemetery – nothing.

Water/Sewer – nothing.

Public Property – meet Dec. 21. Four snow plows were stolen and will cost \$17,400 to replace. Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to order 3 with the option to order the 4th. Depending on insurance payment.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Motion carried.

Finance – the tax levy will be in the amount of \$305,786 (\$242,786 City/\$63,000 Library) which is a 9.60% increase. The committee recommends going with the 9.60% increase.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Recommendation carried.

Public hearing will be held December 28 at 7:15 p.m.

Parke reported that he had come up with a \$64,000 budget reduction. Treasurer Kloos asked the reduction be put off until the December figures are available.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved that any purchase over \$30 be approved first by Parke Smith. Discussion. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to amend their motion to \$100.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Motion carried.

Aldermen Kuch/Bartholomew moved to use funds in the police special fund and police vehicle fund to repair the transmission in one of the police cars going with the low bid.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Price – nay. Alderman Haupt – absent. Motion carried.

Ordinance – meet Dec. 21.

Personnel – Alderman Willett reported receiving a letter from Eric Jolly from McKendree security commending Ofc. Fields on attempted break in at McKendree West.

Chief McLemore reported that Ofc. Knepper and Heine will be recognized at a dinner in January in O’Fallon. If interested in attending, the cost would be \$35 per person.

Committee recommendation to allow Ofc. Beil to come to work from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. and use the 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. hour for canine care with no overtime. Chief McLemore to find out how other communities handle off-duty care and report at Dec. 14 City Council meeting.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Price, Strang, Willett – aye. Alderman Mack – nay. Alderman Haupt – absent. Recommendation carried.

Aldermen Strang/Price moved to have Parke Smith, City Administrator, to follow up on non-working days to determine how to calculate time.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Kuch, Mack, Price, Strang, Willett – aye.
Alderman Haupt – absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Strang reported that Chief McLemore turned in his resignation on Dec. 7 with a last working day of Dec. 18. Aldermen Strang/Kuch moved to accept the resignation with the last day of pay for work on Dec. 18. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Clerk – nothing.

Treasurer – nothing to add.

City Administrator – nothing.

Mayor – wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Audience – nothing.

Dept. Heads – nothing.

Unfinished Business – Alderman Kuch inquired about the house across from the school with the orange fencing. Fencing needs to be adjusted.

New Business – none.

Personnel – Aldermen Strang/Bartholomew moved to go into executive session under the open meetings act section 2 (C) (2) with the Mayor, Aldermen, City Administrator and non-union representative Mike Ogden for approx. 40 minutes. Hand vote – 7 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried. Council meeting recessed at 8:50 p.m.

This ends the minutes of the regular meeting taken by the Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk

**LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 28, 2009**

The council met in regular session in the council chambers with Mayor Abner presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. after the public hearing on the tax levy.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Strang, Willett – present.
Aldermen Kuch, Price – absent.

Mayor Abner led the council and assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aldermen Bartholomew/Berberich moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Hand vote – 6 aye, 2 absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Street/Alley - no quorum. Parke reported that the contractor has finished half of the sidewalk project (Monroe St.). No parking signs have been installed on Alton St. New plows to be picked up tomorrow.

Health/Safety – Alderman Berberich thanked the Police Dept. for their work on the bank robbery. Parke suggested thanking the bank personnel.

Ordinance – no quorum.

Water/Sewer – meet Jan. 4. Water Dept. was thanked for their work on Christmas Eve.

Cemetery – no quorum. Aldermen Mack/Willett moved to go out for bids for cemetery mowing. To be advertised in the local newspapers and notice sent to area contractors and those requesting to be on bid list. Bids to be due by 4:00 p.m. on February 12 and opened at Feb. 15 committee meeting.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Aldermen Kuch, Price – absent. Motion carried.

Finance – meet Jan. 4.

Public Property – no quorum.

Personnel – Lt. Warke has been acting as Chief since McLemore's resignation. Aldermen Strang/Bartholomew moved to appoint Lt. Warke as interim chief at McLemore's current rate of pay with no extra pay for Lt. pay or overtime retroactive to Dec. 19.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Aldermen Kuch, Price – absent. Motion carried.

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Jim Reese was recognized and inquired about police officers living in the City.

Will wrap up discussion on K-9 care and non-union employee agreement at Jan. 4 meeting.

Reminder of recognition dinner on Jan. 13 for 2 police officers. Cost is \$35 and reservation needs to be made shortly.

Clerk – nothing.

Treasurer – tax levy ordinance presented for passage. Aldermen Bartholomew/Strang moved to pass the ordinance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Bartholomew, Berberich, Haupt, Mack, Strang, Willett – aye. Aldermen Kuch, Price – absent. Motion carried. Filed as Ordinance 1238.

City Admin. – hope to have income/expense schedules by finance committee meeting.

Mayor – Mr. Lee from the County Board was recognized.

Dept. Heads – nothing from water/sewer or street/alley. Acting Chief Warke reported his first day a little unnerving (bank robbery). He thanked the Fire Dept. for their assistance that day in controlling traffic and locating evidence.

Audience – nothing.

Old Business – none.

New Business – Mr. Reese inquired about meeting with Clinton Co. on bypass. Meeting was initiated by Clinton Co. Board Chairman with area Mayors, Senators, Representatives and business owners. A preliminary meeting only.

With no further business to be conducted, Aldermen Bartholomew/Haupt moved to adjourn the meeting. Hand vote – 6 aye, 2 absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela A. Koshko,
City Clerk