



LEBANON BOROUGH COMMON COUNCIL  
November 20, 2020 9 am

The Regular Meeting of the Lebanon Borough Common Council was called to order by Mayor James J Pittinger at 9 am.

The meeting was convened in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act of 1975; notice was sent to three local newspapers and posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pittinger.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

As of today, a total 8499 of American Service Members have given their lives for our Country in the war against terrorism, New Jersey total remains at 130. Mayor Pittinger requested a moment of silence in remembrance of all the service men and women who have paid the ultimate sacrifice. On behalf of a grateful nation, they are truly heroes.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Pittinger, Council President Burton, Councilman Junge, and Councilwoman Baldinger

Absent: Councilman Berger, Councilwoman Saharic and Councilman Cortese

Also, Present: Administrator /Clerk Karen M Romano RMC

**RESOLUTION #132-2020:**

**Councilman Berger made a motion to approve Resolution #132-2020 with a second by Council President Burton.**

**BOROUGH OF LEBANON  
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION # 132-2020  
CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are routine by the Governing Body of Lebanon Borough and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

1. NJDOT Grant for Clark Road

Introduced and adopted: November 20, 2020

Ayes: Pittinger , Burton, Junge, Baldinger

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent:

LEBANON BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Richard J. Burton, Council President

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Karen M. Romano, Lebanon Borough Administrator/ Clerk hereby certify that this resolution was duly adopted by the Borough of Lebanon Council at a meeting duly held on the November 20, 2020 force and effect as of the date I have subscribed my signature.

Date : November 20, 2020

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Karen M. Romano, RMC  
Borough Administrator/Clerk

**The Motion was passed by the following vote:**

YES: Mayor Pittinger, Council President Burton, Councilman Junge, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Absent: Councilwoman Saharic, Councilman Berger, Councilman Cortese

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**BOROUGH OF LEBANON  
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**#133-2020**

**Establishing a Business Non-Interference Policy**

**WHEREAS**, on November 12, 2020, New Jersey's Governor enacted executive order #195, delegating authority to counties and municipalities to regulate the operating hours of non-essential businesses after 8:00 p.m. to manage the recent surge in the corona virus; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's previous orders shutting down businesses throughout the state earlier in the year and restricting their re-opening has resulted in the closing of many businesses, tens of thousands of lost jobs, and economic devastation across New Jersey, and

**WHEREAS**, businesses presently in operation in the Borough of Lebanon already require customers and employees to wear masks, observe social distancing, following health mandates as directed by the state government and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC); and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the Borough of Lebanon believes that private businesses know far better than government how to ensure the protection of the health of their customers and employees, while still being economically feasible; and

**WHEREAS**, additional restrictions placed on private businesses, particularly restaurants and other small retailers, could result in their permanent closure which will lead to greater economic harm, additional layoffs, and the devastation of local downtowns for years to come;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Governing Body of the Borough of Lebanon that no action will be taken by the Borough to interfere with, reduce the hours of, or close down private businesses in the Borough of Lebanon under the circumstances authorized by Executive Order #195.

Introduced and adopted: November 20, 2020

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Ayes: Burton, Pittinger, Junge, Baldinger

Nays: 0

Absent: Saharic, Cortese

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Richard Burton, Council President

ATTEST:

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Karen Romano, RMC  
Borough Administrator/ Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Karen M. Romano, Lebanon Borough Clerk hereby certify that this resolution was duly adopted by the Borough of Lebanon Common Council at a meeting duly held on the 20th of November 2020; that this resolution has not been amended or repealed; and that it remains in full force and effect as of the date I have subscribed my signature.

Date: November 20, 2020

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Karen M. Romano, RMC  
Borough Administrator/Clerk

**The Motion was passed by the following vote:**

YES: Mayor Pittinger, Council President Burton, Councilman Junge, and Councilwoman Baldinger

NO:

Absent: Councilwoman Saharic, Councilman Berger, Councilman Cortese

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:**

**Council President Burton made a motion to open the public session. Councilman Junge seconded the motion with the unanimous approval of Council the floor was opened.**

**There being no further public comment Councilwoman Baldinger made a motion to close the public session. Councilman Junge seconded the motion with the unanimous approval of Council the floor was closed.**

**DISCUSSION:**

Administrator Romano explained the Property Maintenance Ordinance information to be reviewed.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

**COUNCIL COMMITTEES:**

**ADJOURN:**

Councilman Junge moved, and Councilman Berger seconded a motion to adjourn, there being no further business to come before Council. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15am by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted

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Karen M. Romano, RMC  
Borough Administrator/Clerk































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