

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE
REGULAR CITY MEETING MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION ROOM
March 16, 2021
7:00 PM

Present: Mayor Vowels, Commissioners Emmons, Garland, Hesse & McDowell, City Attorney Hays as legal counsel, Board Attorney Brammell, City Administrator Eden, City Clerk Miller.

Mayor Vowels called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge

Mayor Vowels presented, for approval, the minutes from March 1, 2021 city meeting. After review, **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept minutes as presented. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Vowels recognized the Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner McDowell (Road) –

Commissioner McDowell presented to the Commission, for approval, an estimate of \$3,000.00 from Capital Paving to repair potholes at two locations within the city limits. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to accept the estimate of \$3,000.00 from Capital Paving and authorize Mayor to sign documentation. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Hesse (Sewer) – No Report

Commissioner Garland (Police/Parks) –

Commissioner Garland, on behalf of Parks Director Truelock, shared the following: Gym doors have been replaced; 2nd Season Hoops to begin; In 2020 the Park budget received their annual sponsorship of \$15,000 from Tourism for The BOOM and Fall Festival. Due to COVID, both events were canceled for 2020. Since the sponsorship was not expended the remaining balance, after a non-refundable deposit, will be re-directed to the purchase of additional hanging flowerpots and Welcome to Simpsonville signage. The Park Director has requested the annual sponsorship from Tourism again for 2021 and is confident both events will run as schedule as the pandemic hopefully comes to an end.

Commissioner Garland recognized Chris Cottongim with 5253 Design Group to present to the Commission, for review, the updated renderings for the remodel of the old city hall for the Police Department relocation. After review and discussion, **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to proceed with Option #2 and accept the updated police department remodel renderings as presented, with an anticipated bid process in May. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Emmons (Finance) –

Commissioner Emmons presented the February Financial Reports. No discussion. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept as presented. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Vowels' Report:

Mayor Vowels shared he had met with Judge Ison regarding the proposed Simpsonville EMS Station.

Mayor Vowels recognized the City Attorney's Report:

City Attorney Hays shared the small claims case has been rescheduled; Linda Ain, Franchise Attorney, will publish bid process with plan to open bids April 19, 2021.

Mayor Vowels recognized the Board Attorney's Report: No Report

Mayor Vowels recognized the City Clerk's Report: No Report

Mayor Vowels recognized the City Administrator:

City Administrator Eden shared an update on the following:

Ordinance #2020-005 needing clarification and asking attorneys to review; Pulte Homes responded and working with bonding company for an updated agreement regarding bond expiration; A 2021 truck with snow package is available at O'Brien and asking the Commission to consider purchasing this fiscal year from the Road Fund, to avoid possible delay with a 2022 truck; Mapping system is now being utilized for city signage and lights; Replacement street light was delivered and is scheduled to be installed across from Post Office within the next two weeks; Sewer project update scheduled for March 31 with a pay request for the next meeting.

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to purchase the 2021 truck, including the snow package, from O'Brien for approximately \$32,000.00 (did not have exact amount at time of meeting) and expend from Road Fund. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session:

Mayor Vowels called for a closed session to discuss potential property acquisition by the City of Simpsonville. Based on KRS61.810(1)(b), any open discussion on the future acquisition of real property by a public agency is required to be in closed session. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to enter into closed session. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to return from closed session. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hesse seconded.

Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned 8:18 pm.


Denise Miller/City Clerk


Cary T. Vowels/Mayor