

CITYOFSIMPSONVILLE
CITY MEETING MINUTES
CITY MEETING ROOM
FEBRUARY 6, 2023
7 PM

Present: Mayor Sowder, Commissioners Emmons, Garland, & Hesse, City Attorney Hays, City Administrator Eden, City Clerk Miller.

Absent: Commissioner McDowell

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

Pledge

Mayor Sowder presented, for approval, the minutes from January 17, 2023 city meeting. After review, **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to accept minutes as presented. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized Phil Meador with Kenvirons Engineering, who presented to the Commission, for approval to proceed, plans for sludge press at the sewer plant. After review and discussion, **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve Kenvirons to go to design and to authorize the Mayor to sign documentation. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

After discussion regarding landfill availability and cost, **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to secure Kenvirons to complete, on behalf of the City, the discharge permit and land application permit. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized ShelbyKY Tourism President & CEO Janette Marson who shared the following: Door Dash restaurant tax to be issued from California; Simpsonville, due to Whitney M. Young, Jr's contributions, is included in a trail through the state of KY honoring Black History; ARPA Grant is funding the trail, providing signage with information;

Mayor Sowder recognized Park Director Chris Truelock who presented to the Commission, for approval to proceed, a 75/25 match grant for Phase 3 of the playground with an estimated cost of \$26,800.00 and the City responsible for 25%. After discussion, **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve for Park Director Truelock to proceed with the 2023 Kentucky Waste Tire Crumb Rubber/Tire-Derived Products Grant. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized the Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner McDowell (Road) - Absent

Commissioner Hesse (Sewer) - No Report

Commissioner Garland (Police/Parks) -

Commissioner Garland shared the following Park updates: Park Director Truelock started a pilot adult/senior pickle ball program in the gym on weekday mornings. Considering lining the outdoor basketball court for pickle ball; Adult/Senior wallyball coming in August, weekday mornings in the gym; Sports registration now open; Thank you to Weichert Realtors H. Barry Smith Company agent Cheryl Poore for a recent sponsorship of \$1,000 to our youth sports program; 2023 Farmers' Market begins May 20th, open every Saturday 9am - noon through October 28th; New for 2023, "Market on the walk" with various non-farm vendors featured the first market of each month.

Commissioner Garland recognized Police Chief Minnis who shared the following:

Introduced to the Commission Mrs. Dale Froehlich who filled the position of the first Police Administrative Assistant; Preparing to present to the Commission a new hire for the academy; Acknowledged representing the City on the Drug Board.

Commissioner Emmons (Finance) - No Report

Mayor Sowder's Report:

Mayor Sowder presented to the Commission, for approval, a Proclamation recognizing February 13, 2023 as Carefree Living at Masonic Home Shelbyville Day. Mayor Sowder recognized City Clerk Miller to read proclamation in its entirety. **Commissioner Emmons made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Carefree Living at Masonic Home Shelbyville Day Proclamation. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder shared he met with Judge Ison regarding the status of the 7101 Shelbyville Road property currently owned by the City but in contract with Shelby County Fiscal Court for an EMS station in Simpsonville.

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Attorney's Report:

City Attorney Hays presented to the Commission Ordinance #2022-006 pertaining to annexing property by consent 315.407 acres North of 1-64 and East of Buck Creek Road (Marshall Property) and in conjunction with Triple S Zoning's letter of recommendation. City Attorney Hays read the ordinance in summary. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to accept the second reading and adoption of Ordinance #2022-006. Commissioner Garland seconded. A roll call vote is as follows:**

Commissioner Emmons - Yes

Commissioner Garland - Yes

Commissioner Hesse - Yes

Commissioner McDowell - Absent

Mayor Sowder - Yes

Ordinance #2022-006 will be effective upon publication in the Sentinel News.

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Miller shared she received responses from the four businesses City Attorney Hays sent letters to, regarding tax delinquency, and are now current.

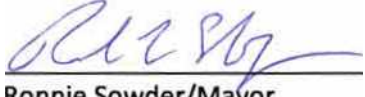
Mayor Sowder recognized the City Administrator's Report:

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, the recommendation to purchase a used 3000-ton forklift from Black Equipment for \$25,950.00. Public Works Director Chris Truelock added an additional request regarding a maintenance agreement. Mayor Sowder recommended to include an additional \$2,500.00 maximum for additional expenses. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to purchase the used forklift from Black Equipment for \$25,950.00 and to allow \$2,500.00 maximum for additional expenses. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden shared an update regarding the Todd's Point Sidewalk Project.

Commissioner Emmons made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned 8:03 pm.


Denise Miller/City Clerk


Ronnie Sowder/Mayor