

CITYOFSIMPSONVILLE
CITY MEETING MINUTES
CITY MEETING ROOM
JUNE 20, 2023
7 PM

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

Absent: Commissioner Hesse

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

Pledge

Mayor Sowder presented, for approval, the minutes from June 5, 2023 regular city meeting. After review, **Commissioner Emmons made the motion to accept minutes as presented. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized PW / Parks Director Truelock regarding an update with Phase 3 of the Playground and the Crumb Rubber Grant. Phase 3 is scheduled to be completed, along with Phase 2, in October. Simpsonville was awarded the 75/25 Crumb Rubber Grant, as per grant requirements, that also allowed the purchase of recycled tire surface, picnic tables, chairs and tables. Phase 4 of Playground (physical fitness) to be announced in near future.

Mayor Sowder recognized ShelbyKY Tourism President & CEO Janette Marson who shared Tourism and City Administrator Eden will be meeting with the Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass to plan for promoting at this year's horse show.

Mayor Sowder recognized the Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner McDowell (Road) -

Commissioner McDowell shared the following: Public Works will be conducting summer branch and growth cutbacks at various locations; Week of July 10, PW will be leveling and resetting street signs; All equipment and supplies have been cleared from behind the maintenance garage; Athletic field turf maintenance to begin this week; Landscape area curb pour in phase 3 of playground build this week, weather permitting.

Commissioner Hesse (Sewer) - Absent

Commissioner Garland (Police/Parks) -

Commissioner Garland shared the following:

Police - New cars are being equipped by staff, saving dollars on installation; Carson Sirens & Lighting donated sirens and lights and will include cars in commercial.

Parks - Summer sports have begun; Soccer Camp concluded last week; Registration for Fall sport shorties, soccer, flag football and cheer will open next week; Facility and League rentals are up, 172% and 132% respectively, and well above projections for the year; Farmers' Market now open Wednesday 5-7pm and Saturday 9am-noon with produce now coming in; Now accepting vendor booth and parade

entries for the Fall Festival on September 9; The BOOM I is scheduled for July 4, located corner of US 60 and Buck Creek Road with gates open at 7pm.

Commissioner Emmons (Finance) -

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

Mayor Sowder's Report:

Mayor Sowder presented to the Commission the recommendation to submit the City's Comprehensive Plan, prepared by Taylor Siefker Williams Design Groups LLC, to Triple S Zoning. **Commissioner Emmons made the motion to submit the City's Comprehensive Plan to Triple S Zoning. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Attorney's Report:

Hite Hays-

City Attorney Hays presented Ordinance #2023-004, repealing Ordinance #2019-005, pertaining to Section 6.16 of the City's Personnel Policy's Authorized classes of Employees and Compensation Ranges, for the first reading. City Attorney Hays read the ordinance in its entirety. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept Ordinance #2023-004 for the first reading. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Ordinance #2023-004 will be placed on the July 18, 2023 meeting agenda for the second reading and possible adoption.**

Chelsey Brammell - No Report

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

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Administrator's Report:

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, the 1-year lease agreement for 107 Old Veechdale Road and to authorize the Mayor to sign. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the 1-year lease agreement. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission the recommendation to pay for the two new 2023 Chevy Tahoes, already received, in the current Police budget instead of paying for one in next year's budget, as originally recommended at the August 18, 2022 meeting. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to pay for both Tahoes in the current Police budget. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden shared tomorrow he will be attending a KLC Code Enforcement training in Lexington.

Mayor Sowder presented to the Commission the recommendation to cancel the July 3 meeting due to lack of meeting agenda. **Commissioner McDowell made a motion to cancel the July 3 city meeting. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder called for a closed session to discuss a personnel matter. Based on KRS61.810(l)(f), discussions which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee without restricting that employee's right to a public hearing, if requested, are required to be in closed session. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to enter into closed session at 7:38 pm. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

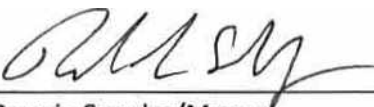
Commissioner Garland made the motion to return from closed session at 8:06 pm. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Garland made the motion to immediately dismiss Officer Hunter Frank for violation of the Simpsonville Police Department policy and current probation. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously. A roll call vote as follows:

Commissioner Emmons - Yes	Commissioner Garland - Yes
Commissioner Hesse - Absent	Commissioner McDowell - Yes
Mayor Sowder - Yes	

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned 8:10 pm.


Denise Miller/City Clerk


Ronnie Sowder/Mayor