

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE
CITY MEETING MINUTES
CITY MEETING ROOM
JULY 16, 2024
7 PM

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

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

Pledge

Mayor Sowder presented, for approval, the minutes from July 1, 2024 city meeting. After review, **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized ShelbyKY Tourism President & CEO Janette Marson who shared the following: Provided the Commission with a pamphlet and information, along with an article in the Courier Journal, regarding the Kentucky Black Trailblazers; She recognized Mason Warren, Marketing & Communications Coordinator to share how ShelbyKY Tourism has been advertising Simpsonville through national news, website, & filming at the Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass; Janette still has concern regarding tourists' lack of access to Whitney M. Young, Jr. Museum.

Mayor Sowder recognized Charles Richmond, a Shelby County resident inquiring about sewers for his proposed property development on Bullitt Road. Mr. Richmond shared he had two items to present, 1) Property Development, 2) Quiet zone with railroad. After much discussion, Mayor Sowder and Commissioner Hesse shared with Mr. Richmond that he needs to file his PUD with Triple S Zoning and to have his engineer create a cost estimate for the City's engineer to review. Regarding a quiet zone at the railroad crossing by the City's pump station and at the end of Bullitt Road, the City referred him to County Government since Bullitt Road is a county road.

Mayor Sowder recognized the Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner McDowell (Road) - No Report

Commissioner Hesse (Sewer) - No Report

Commissioner Garland (Police/Parks)-No Report

Commissioner Emmons (Finance) -

Commissioner Emmons presented the June Financial Reports. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept June financial reports as presented. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Emmons presented to the Commission Ordinance #2024-009 pertaining to the 2023-2024 budget amendment. Commissioner Emmons read the 2023-2024 budget changes. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to accept Ordinance #2024-009 for the first reading. Commissioner Garland seconded. Ordinance #2024-009 will be placed on the August 5, 2024 meeting agenda for the second reading and possible adoption.**

Mayor Sowder's Report:

Mayor Sowder asked the City Attorneys, regarding ordinance publications, to research other options that would meet the publication requirements.

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Attorney's Report:

Hite Hays - No Report

Chelsey Brammell-

City Attorney Brammell shared with the Commission, regarding the Todds Point Sidewalk Project, she had completed the easement for 7101 Shelbyville Road and was working to complete the easement for Simpsonville Elementary School and would need the Mayor's signature. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Simpsonville Elementary School easement once completed. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Miller shared that Casey Ellis, Billing Clerk / Admin. Asst., is attending the Kentucky Municipal Clerks Institute this week.

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Administrator's Report:

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, two quotes from Mike Kennedy Landscaping and Design, one for \$5,230.00 to remove and replace landscape around City Hall and one for \$6,280.00 to clean up around Wiche Pavilion before Fall Festival and to maintain next year (April-Nov.). **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to approve both landscaping quotes as presented. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden shared with the Commission, after communicating with State Transportation regarding Mike Casey signage, the City's responsibility for the signs. The City will be responsible to pay for the signs, seeking reimbursement from the family, and for the maintenance of the signs.

Commissioner McDowell made the motion for the City to proceed with the placement of the Mike Casey signs. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

City Administrator Eden shared Horse Show Breakfast tickets are available and for the Commission to contact him; He also shared that Tourism has reserved tickets each night of the Horse Show for the City and will need the Commission to RSVP to him; He provided an update on the Todds Point Sidewalk Project; He also reminded the Commission that registration is open for the KLC Conference, if interested in attending.

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, a request for the City to sponsor two classes and one trophy for this year's Horse Show. **Commissioner Emmons made the motion to approve the sponsorship as presented. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder shared a request for the City to consider scheduling a band and food truck at the Wiche Pavilion.

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned 7:59 pm.

ATTEST:

 
Denise Miller/City Clerk

APPROVED:


Ronnie Sowder/Mayor