

**CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, January 28, 2013**

Councilwoman Gloria Taft gave the invocation
Pledge of Allegiance was recited
Mayor Ellis called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Council members present: Bernie Brown, Jose' Cubero, Dana Bischoff James, Faith Portman, Clinton Kline and Gloria Taft.

Mayor Ellis called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 1/14/2013 regular meeting. Faith Portman made motion to dispense with reading. Jose' Cubero 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Ellis called for a motion to approve minutes as written from the 1/14/2013 regular meeting. Clinton Kline made motion to approve. Dana Bischoff James 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.

Old Business:

Mayor Ellis stated the first item was to award the new garbage franchise. At the last meeting we had the three bids from Eco-Tech, Waste Management and Rumpke. Hopefully everybody has had a chance to look over the bids. If you have any questions at this time we'll open the floor. Do we have representatives for all three companies here? We did. If any of the Council has any questions the floor is open to ask any of them. Joe Wantland: Miss Probus with Rumpke had asked to speak. Laurie Probus: Just on behalf of Rumpke I just wanted to take a very brief few minutes to go over the bid results that we calculated after the meeting. Looking at the bids themselves, on the residential portion it appears that Rumpke over the course of the four years bidding as stated in the advertisement for the bid specs was over \$137,000 low bid compared to the next lowest bidder. That would be a direct savings cost passed on to the citizens of Shepherdsville. In addition based on the other calculations Rumpke appears also to be the low bid on the commercial side of the business; although this was much closer than the residential portion. So over both sides of it, it does appear that Rumpke is the low bidder and we just wanted to extend the opportunity to consider our bid. We service many other neighbors to the City of Shepherdsville, such as; Mt. Washington, Fox Chase, Pioneer Village, Hunters Hollow and Hebron Estates and we would welcome the opportunity to provide service to the City of Shepherdsville as well. If you have any questions I'd be happy to answer them. Jose' Cubero: On the average, how many people have two containers? When you look at all these contracts, obviously some of our decision making in looking at that, how many people actually do have two? Tim McNally: The standard is done, we've all done this many times, 50% of the people get a second container. Jose' Cubero: From the start? Tim McNally: Within their or four months. Joe Wantland: If you're going to speak to the Council please stand and introduce yourself. Tim McNally, Waste Management. What we have learned in the past is that usually 50% of the people get a second container. Tim Meyer, Eco-Tech: We think there is at least 50% that have more than one container. Faith Portman: I drove through the neighborhoods in the City over the last week and the majority of the people have two cans out. Clinton Kline: What is the average participation of the recycling program? Tim Meyer: Very limited because there is an extra charge. Gloria Taft: I know that two or three of the people I've spoken to use and pay for the recycling program. And in a couple neighborhoods it's a big deal because we have elderly people that can't take their stuff over to the County recycling facility so they pay the additional to get the recycling; but it's as requested as they feel like paying for it basis. Laurie Probus: When we compiled our bid it was based on some preliminary numbers provided by the City at 45 residents currently took residential service at this present time. Tim Meyer: We're doing between 7-10% it looks like. Bernie Brown: Where do we stand about the unpaid bills, collecting those and what's the latest on that? Mayor Ellis: The Police Department is still collecting those every day and Chief would have to give you an update on that. Chief Doug Puckett: I think right now we're up to about \$5600 that we'll be sending to Eco-Tech this month. Bernie Brown: And that leaves a balance of \$100,000, close to it? Tim Meyer: That's a fluid number. Mayor Ellis: It fluctuates, one month it could be \$70,000 another month it could be \$115,000. I think the high side we did see \$92,000; and at the last meeting it was \$70,000-\$71,000. Faith Portman: I did a calculation on all them on the prices with a container and another

container was \$2.50. What I've come up with Eco-Tech still has the best bid and I'm going to make the motion that we accept them. Clinton Kline 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Ellis stated the next item on the Agenda (Resolution 2013-01, Series 2010 approving the granting of inducements retroactively to GSI Commerce Solutions Inc. for the purpose of attracting and retaining jobs pursuant of KRS 153, Subsection 24.) needed to remain on the table. I received information last this afternoon from GSI so we'll discuss further at the next meeting. There are a couple minor things we are going to have to tweak with them but we should be ready to bring it up at the next meeting.

New Business:

Mayor Ellis: With the collection of the trash bills that the City Police are handling we do have some folks that are contesting the bills. What I'd like to do instead of having folks come to a regular meeting and taking up meeting nights I'd like to set up one special meeting a month on a Wednesday night. Gloria Taft made motion to have appeal hearings on garbage bills on the second Wednesday of every month. Jose' Cubero 2nd. Motion carried 6-0. This will be a standing meeting on the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. The first meeting will be on Wednesday, February 13th at 6:30.

City Attorney Joe Wantland had first reading of Ordinance 013-(number to be assigned) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE, BULLITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2012 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013, BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT. Mayor Ellis stated the second reading and vote will be on February 11th.

City Attorney Wantland had first reading of Ordinance 013-(number to be assigned) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE, BULLITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY, SEWER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2012 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013, BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT. Mayor Ellis stated we will also have the second reading and vote on February 11th.

City Attorney Wantland had first reading of Ordinance 013-(number to be assigned) concerning amending zoning maps of the City of Shepherdsville as recommended by the Bullitt County Joint Planning and Zoning Commission as requested by Donald Sohm for 4.0 acres, more or less from Agricultural to R-1 Residential for property located at 1196 Forest Hill Road. Mayor Ellis stated the second reading and public hearing will be February 11th as well.

Daryl Lee: Not present at meeting.

Duane Price: Not present at meeting. Called to say he had nothing to report.

Sign in Speakers:

Tim Wade: Thank you Mayor. Council, Citizens of Shepherdsville, thank you for allowing us to speak this evening. I just wanted to say a few things about some of the things that are going on with the City. I'm really glad that the City is moving in a positive direction and there is an article that the membership took a little issue with this last week that insinuated that at previous meetings there was some extreme pressure or duress and I assure you that our membership attended to show the support of this current Council and this Mayor. Certainly you have tough decisions, they affect citizens, they affect employees and we have an interest and members have a vested interested in those things that are taking place here with this Council so with that we do want to thank you for the new addition on another detective, the detective load has been very heavy; and also a School Resource Officer. The investigators have been carrying large case loads and I think the cases now will get some of the attention that they deserve with the detectives. Also with the School Resource Officer, they placement of that officers in those schools definitely shows this City's dedication to a problem that is across this Country right now. Thank you very much for that, this Council and the Mayor thank you very much. Once again we're just grateful that the Council has a positive outlook on

the future of our City, we're a growing City, we're moving forward, and I think we have the people in place here now that we need to make those things happen and we appreciate the enthusiasm already that you've displayed with the new Council that we have. Once again we are grateful for what you do and where this City is going. Thank you very much. Dana Bischoff James: Mr. Wade I would just like to say that there was absolutely no duress and whenever we have a City that has people who are participating in their government that's when you know things are going in the right direction. I'm sorry that somebody spoke unintelligently and published something but absolutely no duress and thank you to the fire fighters, public works, sewer, police department and administration for attending these meetings because we want to make the best decisions. So thank you.

Linda Tinnell: I just wanted everyone to know that my eyes are on you all just like your all's eyes have been on me and the things that we do with our business. We just opened our new restaurant, it took a while through permits and things and I have displeasure for extra police that was awarded last week. I have a problem with some police harassing some of my girls getting off from work. They've been pulled over two or three times and if we need police they need to be doing something other than bothering women getting off from work. With so much of what the City wants to know what we're doing, I just want you all to know that I'm going to be here to know what you all are doing and what's in the best for the City of Shepherdsville because I was born and raised here and it's not the same place I was born and raised in. I don't feel comfortable walking in this front door. And that's really bad when you feel like you're not welcomed. I pay taxes and I deserve to be treated like everybody else. I don't want to be treated better but I sure as hell don't want to be treated worse. And I expect everybody to do the same. You have an excellent guys out in the field that work hard every day but you need to have a lot of work done on your front window when they talk to people that comes in here to conduct business there could be some work done there. I don't have anything good to say about what's in those front windows. We can't deal with nobody else, you're the only City that we can deal with, and I think that you all ought to treat us the way we have to treat our customers when they come in and do business with us. And you shouldn't be treated like that. Anyway I just wanted you to know that your eyes are me so mine are on you all.

Jim Smothers: I live at 115 Seneca Court here in Shepherdsville. I appreciate the compliment from certain board members here about being unintelligent. I've always known I was that way I never was the sharpest knife in the drawer so that's not an issue. I would like to say that I think you acted prematurely. I moved to Shepherdsville three days after I was born in Louisville. I love this town. I love this County. I served as a deputy sheriff for years for this County when we didn't make anything. You had to buy your own patrol car in the position I was in at that time. And I love this County today. I was away from this County for 30 years, moved out West and remarried, and my wife died and I came back and I came back to what I thought was about one of the worse run City's I had ever seen. Now have you made improvements, I've told you this before, yes you've made improvements. But I think you were way premature to try to pass an Ordinance before the fiscal year ends to make sure that this budget is going the right direction. I am as sure and I am day will turn into night and I stand before you right now Mr. Mayor, that some of those numbers are skewed. There's no way that you could have \$452,000 on June 30th that night-you might show it in the bank but it wasn't accounted for because you had not done your debits out of your ledger. You had not pulled your invoices and found out what outstanding bills there were. That has to be deducted. Any business that I've ever ran in my life working at the railroad, any department that I managed, that's the way we ran our budgets and you're not different. You are a business as a City. The gentleman that just spoke about the police department up here and said things, I'm not against Mr. Puckett's people having a raise, there's nothing wrong with raises, if you've got the money to do it. There's nothing wrong with hiring more people if you've got the money to do it. (City Attorney Wantland asked Mr. Smothers to address the Council not the audience please.) You can't continue to balance the budget by raising taxes and balancing the budget on the back of the residents of this community. And if I've got anything to do about it I'm not going to let it happen. I'll do everything I can. But I'm not against raises and I'm not against hiring people when the money is there. City Attorney Wantland: Sir, no one has raised any taxes. Mr. Smothers: Not yet. Mayor Ellis: We lowered them this year. City Attorney Wantland: I would tell Mr. Smothers, and you've already heard it but I would be remiss in my duties, I've been working with the Chief of Police, to have a student school resource officer placed in the schools and if that's what you're against, I'm for it. I want a police officer in our schools

and I'm glad this Council took the opportunity to try to put a police officer in our schools. Jim Smothers: Good for you. Why can't we have a copy of that general budget that you had tonight. How come I can't have a copy of that? Mayor Ellis: You can. Jim Smothers: Why can't I have a copy of it before the meeting like you all do so I can look at it. Mayor Ellis: If you come up and ask for it you can have one. Did you come up today and ask for it? Jim Smothers: I didn't know I could even have one. Mayor Ellis: All you have to do is come up and say "Mayor can I have one of those. And we'll make sure you get it." Jim Smothers: You're on the right track to transparency. Mayor Ellis: I have nothing to hide. I told you that from day one. I have nothing to hide. If you want it Jimmy all you have to do is come up and ask me. Jim Smothers: Yes sir. I'll do it.

George Miller: I see the website is back up. Mayor Ellis: The City website is still having some issues, it is being redone. George Miller: It's working isn't it? Mayor Ellis: It tells you on the front page that if you click on that website it can be hazardous to your computer because it hasn't been done or updated. George Miller: Okay. That's good because we looked at that all the time. I was one there a while ago and it looked like it was working it just needed to be updated. The last budget on there is 2011-2012. Now I'm not the greatest whiz on the internet and the last minutes were June 30, 2011. I'm glad to see you're working on it. What is the date, I'm not saying you're going to raise taxes, isn't the tax rate set every year? Mayor Ellis: In October yes. September I'm sorry so the tax bills can go out in October. City Attorney Wantland: The property taxes will be in September. George Miller: That's when you look at the rate and decide if it needs to be changed. Okay. Thank you very much.

Department Reports:

City Attorney Wantland called **Chief Puckett** to the podium. The Chief has been working very very hard with me for a School Resource Officer to be placed in the schools. That requires taking a police officer off the beat and putting them in the schools. Not only is the police officer trained, sworn, law enforcement officer, but the Chief has been working to have that position filled/temporary/seasonal part time which will save the City thousands of dollars of having an officer in that school. I think that needs to be brought to the attention of the Council is that the Chief, not only is he working to have more officers, he's trying to work to save money when we do get the officers. George Miller: Joe, why couldn't part of that burden be carried by the County? City Attorney Wantland: You need to take that up with the County Judge Executive. Mayor Ellis: I'll explain it to you. I tried getting the County School Board to go in with the City of Shepherdsville. The initial cost and I did this right after Sandy Hook is \$389,000. I went to the School Board, I even sent concerned parents in our community to them, and the School Board said no, they cannot help at that time. With that being said, the City had to do something. George Miller: There's another pot of money down there, we pay County taxes, we all pay the exact same rate and the people in the County. Mayor Ellis: Right but what the County is going to do is the County is going to put Deputy Sheriff's in just the County schools, they are going to leave it up to the City to do it. George Miller: I've done through my business, my life, sometimes I don't take no for an answer. Mayor Ellis: Right after Sandy Hook the City of Shepherdsville was the only municipality that had officers in the schools five days during the week before Christmas break. George Miller: I think it's good that we all pay County taxes. Mayor Ellis: All they sent Reserve Deputy's to those schools for one day. George Miller: They could rebate some of our tax dollars back over to the Police Department here. City Attorney Wantland: Before the interruption, I just wanted the Council to know that Chief Puckett is working very very hard to get an officer in the schools and at the same time alleviate some of the expense to the City and for that I compliment him.

Chuck Keith: At the last Council meeting I gave everyone a bid on some stuff we need to do at the plant on the recirculating pumps. I've contacted a total of five businesses that does this work, that's the only bid I've got. I would like for you all to think about accepting it so we can go ahead and get that done. Gloria Taft: Why won't they give you a bid? Chuck Keith: Evidently everybody else has plenty of work. I don't know. That is the only bid I received. I left it on my desk but I think it's somewhere around \$38,000. Jose' Cubero: Do we at least need to have the information on who you contacted; the information on who you called at least so we have that as reference that you made the effort to try and call somebody else. Gloria Taft: I think we need to contact them and say we can't make a decision unless we have some bids. We don't have to accept that but it would give them the option. Bernie Brown: You didn't advertise for this? Chuck Keith: No

we didn't advertise I just called companies that I know do that work. Bernie Brown: I don't think that's the way to do it frankly. I make a motion we send this out for bids. Dana Bischoff James 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.

Bob Ryan: The Councilmembers got the financial statements and the explanation of what the columns were and everything? Any questions? Some of those line item expenses might show like a deficit but the expenses are spread out evenly over the twelve months and there might have been in the first part of the year a lot of front end expenses incurred and that makes the expense look like it's in a deficit but as the year progresses it will come out of that deficit because the expense is going to be less. Jose' Cubero: That the reason I wanted to make sure that when we have a year to date budget we have the budget and then we have the numbers that are being spent even though it's a large expense on the front end it still matches up with the budget for the year. Bob Ryan: You can't push a panic button but for the Department Heads when they get their budgets and they look at them, if they see something that is unexpected as a deficit this gives them an idea of maybe I need to go back and check this and see what happened here. Jose' Cubero: I want to add one thing here we've had a number of conversations and budgets can be very important to folks out here. I know that one of the comments we made up here about the fact that we didn't take another dime out of anybody's wallet to do what we did. The reason, if you look at the budget revenue numbers those have substantially increased and that only continues to get better for the rest of this fiscal year. Along with that though if you look at the budget expense, they were lower than the budget numbers, yet we increased the revenue. Those efforts were done by these department heads and staff. I think the important thing about that is if you continue to grow I think we all are committed to paying our bills, we also really want to make sure that if these folks are staying within their budget or less than their budget, that's part of their recruiting and keeping good people as we continue this thing. I think that's the most substantial thing about it. I know Jim has a copy of that and if you look at the budgets and you look at where the revenue is, it's up, expenses are down and there is a reason for that. That's the expectation, that's not going to change this fiscal year or next, that's the same thing we asked for of the department heads and staff, if they continue to do that they will continue to grow their departments according with the City. I just want to make sure that's clear because that's the whole part about this, some people are concerned about money being spent, it's money earned. There's a difference. Dana Bischoff James: I did that as well. Something that I don't know if people realize that we've also, even though property taxes have been increasing around us, the City of Shepherdsville has actually decreased the taxes as well. So there's so much in this I know that you're hearing a lot of numbers but as Mr. Cubero just indicated is that we're spending less because we're having revenue left over at the end of the year, but also you property taxes were decreased as well. That's huge for the citizens. Bob Ryan: Can I just make one comment, there was a comment made about opening cash balances. They are not fictitious numbers. They were numbers that were audited when I was the City's CPA. They have been confirmed by the bank. And the numbers as of year-end last year are factual not fictitious.

Council Reports:

Gloria Taft: I spent the 16th-18th in Lexington at KLC training. The stuff I learned I'm going to have to call them and remind me what I learned. For the citizens it was all on my dime. I paid for it. I paid for my meals and I paid for my hotel. But I knew it was something I needed to do so that I could learn what job I'm supposed to be doing; how I'm supposed to be doing it and learn all the terminology that's different from the business world to the government world. To kind of piggy back on Jose' and Dana, I'm only fulfilling the promises that were made to current employees by previous Councils by giving them their dues, the raises that they should have been given but the City was not in a financial position to give them. There's no new taxes to achieve this, it's not necessary because we are paying off debt early-we're saving the City at least 5% interest on each loan. The raises are only approximately 4% so we're still saving the City 1% every single month and we've given families in our neighborhoods money to put in their pockets to feed their families. We have fire fighters making less than \$10.00 an hour and the City is asking them to pay a portion of their health insurance, that's asking that young man to live below the poverty line and to live below minimum wage. I think that's ridiculous and if we lose our fire department, through a phone conversation I had with Kentucky Farm Bureau, each homeowner, your insurance rate will go up at least \$200 or more a year. \$200 per family for each household is more than what you just gave these fire fighters in a raise. I

think the City can afford it. Many of you, including myself, has said I want more than two officers patrolling the streets because that's not safe for the officers, that's not safe for single women driving around at night. The only way to achieve that is to take good frugal spending to decrease our debt, to raise our revenues, and to make sure that the officers that are well trained stay within our City limits because I like having officers that are decent, well trained and they have years underneath their belt, because those are the best ones. They know how to treat their constituents. And I want our guys and gals to make a living wage so that they can enjoy spending time with their family and not have to worry about where their next paycheck is coming from and not have to worry about paying the mortgage or having to live on food stamps. That's why I was able to vote for the raise for our guys and gals because I did the numbers and we are currently at a 14% increase in sitting revenue in our accounts and we can afford to share that with people who work hard for our City.

Faith Portman: I too want to reflect on giving raises to the employees, they were well deserved, I want to thank you all for everything you do each and every one of you. I want you to know that you do a great job; I get a lot of good comments from the community about all of our employees. So I just want to say thank you on that. I wanted to ask if Brenda is looking at all the new businesses that are opening. There are little businesses opening here and there and I want to make sure that they are paying. Mayor Ellis: She is looking in to that along with the Chief. City Attorney Wantland: Everybody is looking into that Ms. Portman! Faith Portman: I've gotten a couple phone calls on that. Chief Puckett: We're in the process right now of going to every business in the City of Shepherdsville to get contact information in case they have a break in or we need to get a hold of them; while they are doing that they are also going to get every business location; once that's compiled we will give it to Brenda where she can check those names against what she's got to make sure we have everybody. Faith Portman: I think you all have done a great job. Chief Puckett: We've taken the City and divided it into four sectors. Each Sergeant has got a sector he's responsible for and his people are going every day checking those places of business. City Attorney Wantland: And just to follow up. Councilman Brown, we give him part credit, he asked the question, Brenda followed up with it, followed up with me, and we anticipate getting a check from a vendor operating in the City for \$125,000. To give you an idea, Brenda, not only do we get the \$125,000, she followed that up and I think I collected \$300 in property taxes. But again, she makes the call, she birddogs, the Chief is working, we're all working for you all and we're trying to treat everybody the same. Everybody is equal. Everybody pays the taxes that everybody else pays and Brenda has been pretty good about it. She gets me going and we go after it and we're collecting some money. Faith Portman: I wanted the public to know too that our City has one of the lowest occupational tax rates in the County. I've also been speaking to a lot of people in the public about things going on in the City and the public has been very supportive of our decision on giving raises. They agree they were earned but a few people wanted me to bring up and the sewer rate. Are we looking at eventually lowering the sewer rate a little bit? Mayor Ellis: That is something that will have to be looked at but you've got to look at refinancing the GO Bond and where the sewer rates are there. Faith Portman: One woman I spoke to in particular said the raise has put a financial burden on her family, as it has many in our community, and I assured her we will keep looking at it and would try to make sure that we do right by our citizens on that. Mayor Ellis: With some of the money that we're going to be turning back in on that \$3.5 million GO Bond that will help us out with what we're actually financing on that. It won't be a full \$3.5 million. It will probably be \$3 million we will finance. That will help get it down a little bit more and if we're able to broker the deal with Beam that I've discussed with several of the Council, that will help us out with being able to pay that down quicker. Faith Portman: I told her that it was part of the discussion when it was raised that we would look at it again in six months to a year. I told her I would keep bringing it up so we would not forget about it. Mayor Ellis: That's not something that's going to be done right now or the immediate future but it is something that we are going to be looking at.

Dana Bischoff James: Same thing as Gloria and Faith. Thank you to the employees of our City for doing an excellent job and for upholding and sustaining the values that you had even when the pay decreased you all still did the job that you were asked to do but now I'm excited to see the morale; to see your participation and involvement. And thank you to the constituents. I received so many phone calls thanking us and this isn't just the City employees but for doing what was said that the previous Council would do which is when the funds were there give the raises and that just speaks a lot on the ethics and the morals is

to do what is right. And also, I'm excited to see a couple of young people here tonight. Two students here who are looking to be in our local government. Little Debbie and also Noah, so leaders they are looking to you so from the fire fighters, the Mayor, the administration, public works and sewer department and our officers thank you all for setting the example and for being in a public forum where the children can come in a professional setting and for you all holding this together in a professional manner.

Jose' Cubero: I would love to see this kind of turnout every meeting we have. I think it's an opportunity for folks to be involved whatever side you are on we'd like to have you out here. If we're not engaging we're not going to be challenging each other. As we said before we are going to try to make the best decisions for the City. This City is going to grow. The opportunities are really immense. If you look at what's going to happen in the next 5 – 10 years, it will look so different. We have an opportunity to bring a lot of things here that we're spending our dollars in other cities. I'd like to spend that money in Shepherdsville. There are a number of things that all of us would like to see happen. But I think the thing is the silver lining over the last couple years has to be that the last group endured really a tough time; all the departments, the Council and Mayor, Joe and Tammy have been through so much, but I think the silver lining is look at the habits. Look at the habits you have on finances now. We have a better system in place. We know where the money is coming in and where it's going out. We have accountability towards that. We watch the dollars coming in. and the fact is that we're able to go out there and as you like to say Joe, birddog it, I think it's important. We've spent a lot of years not collecting the money that should have been collected. Businesses should pay for the same services the citizens get. Now I think though the years, people will have their opinion on what happened here and the wheeling and dealing, but Shepherdsville is not going to wheel and deal anymore with a low hand. We've got good things to offer people who bring their businesses here. I think if we have that attitude I think we have an opportunity to grow our housing, this is a good place to be. In the short time I've been in this place I've seen a lot of good people and I think there's an opportunity for us to sell Shepherdsville as a better commodity than it has been. Better, different, for whatever happened, I think this is the time now; we've got good systems in place, we're getting all the revenues that we need to bring in, and we're going to spend those wisely. And Jim, as for a P&L every time. Ask for a budget, ask for anybody but I think you're going to see us spend the dollars to make sure we get the right services here because we do need to have these services. We're going to have a good community and we want people to live here they better have the best police and fire and public works and the best sewer treatment plant. That's the kind of attitude we've got to have if we want to grow this City the way we're supposed too. You can be on whatever side you think that is but I'm living here I want it to be the best place I can live. And I'm excited to work with these folks up here. We're not always going to see eye to eye. He's a Kentucky fan if you know how the Mayor is! We're excited and we get a little nervous. We want to make sure we do the right thing. But trust us we don't have any agenda up here but doing the right thing for this City and we're just excited to be involved. So I just want to tell you thank you. I'm excited!

City Attorney Wantland: We have one item for Executive Session to discuss litigation with the County Jose' Cubero made motion to go into Executive Session. Faith Portman 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.

Gloria Taft made motion to return to Regular Session. Clinton Kline 2nd. Motion carried 6-0. City Attorney Wantland: Would entertain a motion to negotiate with Fiscal Court regarding occupation tax due to the City of Shepherdsville. Jose' Cubero made motion to negotiate with County. Clinton Kline 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.

Clinton Kline made motion to adjourn. Jose' Cubero 2nd. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

R. Scott Ellis III, Mayor

Attest: _____
Tammy Richmond, City Clerk