

**CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, June 22, 2015**

Pastor Mike Miller, Family Day Ministries gave the invocation
Pledge of Allegiance was recited
Mayor Ellis called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Council members present: Dana Bischoff James, Bernie Brown, Gloria Taft and Randy Hammond.

Mayor Ellis asked for a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes from the 6/8/2015 regular meeting. Dana Bischoff James made motion to dispense with reading. Randy Hammond 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

Mayor Ellis asked for a motion to approve minutes as written from the 6/8/2015 regular meeting. Gloria Taft made motion to approve 6/8/2015 minutes as written. Dana Bischoff James 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

Mayor Ellis announced this will be the last Monday night meeting of the Shepherdsville City Council. Effective July 1st we will have meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month so this next meeting will be July 14th.

Presentations:

Jennifer Stepp addressed the Council about a Bullitt County Syringe Exchange Program stating that it's her belief that this program could support the mission and vision for all citizens of Bullitt County. And would like everyone in the County to think about the benefits of the syringe exchange program and get rid of some of the myths and negativity aspects that she sees pop up in various forms.

Cynthia Brown presented the Council with the results from the Community Smoke Free Policy survey conducted by Asbury University for the Bullitt County Health Department. For a full report she stated call the Health Department.

Old Business:

Mayor Ellis: At the last meeting we discussed the cost of improvements for 200 Frank E. Simon Avenue; we never received any binding bids for that project. What are the Council's thoughts on moving forward on that? Dana Bischoff James: Should we resubmit it for new bids; give it one more go around? Mayor Ellis: I don't see where it would hurt to do that. I think it would be a good idea. City Clerk Richmond: The Lease is up at the end of this month. We'll have to extend the lease for a month. Dana Bischoff James made motion to extend the lease for one month and resubmit for new bids. Randy Hammond 2nd. Bernie Brown: Has there been any discussion about a longer term lease? Mayor Ellis: Yes. They actually brought that up when we met that they would be interested in entering into a longer term and increase the rent. He did not give an exact number but he did say he would be willing to sit down and negotiate. Chuck McCreary said that they were open to increasing the quarterly rent. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

City Attorney Wantland had second reading of Ordinance 015-(number to be assigned) confirming annexation of unincorporated territory adjoining the City of Shepherdsville referred to as KSR 245 Corridor adjacent to KRS 61. Dana Bischoff James made motion to accept. Bernie Brown 2nd. There was no public comment. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

City Attorney Wantland had second reading of Ordinance 015-(number to be assigned) confirming annexation of unincorporated territory of 164.6 acres (+,-) by written consent of all property owners of record (Longacre property). There was no public comment. Gloria Taft made motion to accept. Dana Bischoff James 2nd Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

City Attorney Wantland had second reading of Ordinance 015-(number to be assigned) confirming annexation of unincorporated territory of 217.75 acres (+,-) by written consent of all property owners of record (Salt River Development property). There was no public comment. Bernie Brown made motion to accept. Dana Bischoff James 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

New Business:

City Attorney Wantland had first reading of Ordinance 015-(number to be assigned) providing for closure pursuant to KRS 82.405 of a right of way known as 30' wide (+,-) passway/Second Avenue, proceeding along the properties of William M. Bratcher. Mayor Ellis stated the second reading and public comment would be July 14th.

City Attorney Wantland had first reading of Ordinance 015-(number to be assigned) accepting the bid of Windstream Kentucky East LLC for a telephone and communications non-exclusive franchise. Mayor Ellis stated the second reading and public comment would be July 14th.

Mayor Ellis asked City Attorney Wantland to read Executive Order #2015-02 setting forth job descriptions; performance standards and performance reviews. Bernie Brown: Are we going to do an Ordinance with job descriptions, performance standards? City Attorney Wantland: No. Mayor Ellis: It will all be under Executive Order. City Attorney Wantland: There are job descriptions. I would like for the record to show that the Council would approve those job descriptions. Bernie Brown: I think that needs to be done first. City Attorney Wantland: Those job descriptions have been completed and been in Madam Clerk's office for two years. Bernie Brown: All of them? I understand some of them were just written recently. City Clerk Richmond: Scott did a few revisions to his and I'm waiting on a few revisions from the Fire Department but everybody else's is done. Bernie Brown: Have they been distributed to the Council? City Clerk Richmond: Probably two years ago. Bernie Brown: I'm talking about the ones that were done recently? City Clerk Richmond: No. Bernie Brown: I think we need to have an Ordinance in place covering the job descriptions, performance standards and performance reviews. And then the Executive Order. Gloria Taft: The Executive Order takes place of the Ordinance. Bernie Brown: I disagree. Gloria Taft: Well KLC says that's the way to do this. Bernie Brown: I disagree and I'm not going to argue anymore. I'm telling you I don't think that's the way to do it. It's like putting the cart in front of the horse. Dana Bischoff James made motion to table so that more research can be done. Randy Hammond 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent to table.

Daryl Lee: No report.

Duane Price: No report.

Sign in Speakers:

State Representative Linda Belcher: Just a couple of updates. I figured everybody knew but have talked to a couple of you that did not know that on June 5th Secretary Hancock and Governor Beshear approved a million dollar match to the monies that you had appropriated. So we're very pleased with that because I think it shows that they recognize the impact that this road is going to have. Last week the Governor pulled me to the side when I was up there and he asked how is the road coming. And I told him I thought things were going well because I think John Snider and Nicky Rapiere and Eric Farris are still in meetings and working to move that project forward. Beech Grove Road—I've gotten a few questions on that and that is now in the area that I represent. We're waiting on right of way clearance. There are three right of ways that are in negotiation; there are three that are in condemnation but they are hoping to get all that settled and let the project by November of this year in case there are any questions about that. I know the people who live on Beech Grove Road are constantly concerned about that road. It's a bad road. The last thing is I am currently working on the road plan that I will be presenting in Frankfort and at this point in time the new road off of 480 and the new interchange will be my number one priority and I'm going to different Council meetings and Fiscal Court and saying if you have anything else that you want to discuss or if there are other things that we need to put on that plan now is the time to be asking because January will be here before we know it. I hate to wait until the last minute because I have already started lobbying people for this particular project and it's always good to get those out so people understand what the needs of Bullitt County are.

Bernie Brown: Is Highway 44 on your list? Representative Belcher: It's there. I just got a new book from KIPDA; and I'll tell you Bernie honestly \$180 million is probably not going to be something that we can grab at this point in time. With the way gas prices have been we're not going to have the revenue. Now we have been looking at; and I say we because I've met with Steve Froelicher, Bill Duffy, lots of people and we've been looking at 44 in sections. That might be a possibility. But I'm going to have to get a feel for how much money we can get and honestly right now I think the almost \$30 million from this road will be the top and from then we'll go down in priorities and see what we can get. Bernie Brown: I think 44 does need to be given a high priority. Representative Belcher: The turning lane at Armstrong has been successful as far as the people who live there; that's what they've been telling me; we are going to be having the next two done in the near future so that's a band aid affect but still I think it will be helpful. Let's just put it this way we'll never rule it out but again I want people to be aware I don't know how much money we are going to have available. My list usually is pretty long and we'll go down as far as we can go. Joe Wantland: Representative Belcher the State has filed suits on Old Ford Road and I've sent out an email to the Council today; there is one that the mistake was made 5, 6, 7 years ago. That comes up in July in Judge Burress' court at 8:30 in the morning. Representative Belcher: Is this the one where they are expecting repeat payment? City Attorney Wantland: I hope not because it's not going to happen I don't think because I think she did sign an agreement that said she owned the property and she did not. So I think Judge Burress will see through that pretty quick. I think in fairness it was clear and contemplated what they were intending to do they just didn't draw up the right document; the right documents have been prepared; I have submitted them to the State; the State has approved them; hopefully that day we'll have another piece of that puzzle done. I welcome the Council to participate if they want to show; that is going forward quickly. I think the State is trying to move it; there is a lot of cooperation there. Judge Burress gave us a quick date. Maybe by the first of August we'll have another one of those pieces.

Faith Portman: I would like to bring Denise Arnold and Linda Belcher up with me. I want to talk about our event that took place in the Park. Without these two ladies I would have never pulled it through. And without your help; thank you for the Louisville Water thing. For those that don't know we had an event in the Park on Tuesday for the H.O.P.E. for Bullitt County; we hosted a picnic in the Park. 58 people attended and I want to say thank you to Shepherdsville Fire Department, without them we would have all died, they brought water and ice; the Police Department was there handing out the bracelets that say Shepherdsville Police Department on them; we had donations made by Jewish Hospital, which was hand sanitizer; Louisville Water donated the big bottles with the blue lids, we made sure a lot of the homeless people got those, you can refill them anyplace, Mayor Ellis got those for us. We had someone there from KYNect signing people up for insurance and I believe there were several people that probably got signed up that night; we had another person signing people up for Food Stamps, we had several people do that. We're not trying to enable these people but we're trying to help them to move forward. The next event we're going to have JCC there; also the Adult Learning Center, I've been in contact with them to try to get people to get their GED and other people to go forward with their education; Linda Belcher donated Bibles, that was really nice; we had a young man from Roby Elementary and of course we sent him here sorry about that folks, the Fire Department was in on that; actually Stephen Thomas got that going but anyway this little boy had collected \$81.00 selling candy bars; his mother took this \$81.00 and extreme couponed and she bought diapers, wipes and we had several families there that night that we gave stuff too; baby food, etc.; she brought all that that night; a lot of people went home with that stuff. To me I thought the little boy was a small hero so I talked Stephen in to doing a story on him; it should be in the upcoming paper. We sent him here because the Fire Department said they would buy some candy bars and the Police Department said they would as well. He made \$121.00 that day. But I pledged \$50; Linda Belcher pledged \$50; Barbara Wright pledged \$50 so now the total he has raised is \$271.00. His mother will probably turn that in to \$500 worth of groceries. Wonderful people! The little boy's name is Bryce and without his help we wouldn't have had that \$81 worth of groceries. For a nine year old boy, that's pretty impressive. I wish more people were like that. I want to also thank Dan Patchin and Myra Minton for coming, all my volunteers; it was very hot. But I especially want to thank my Board members because without them this would have never happened. I could have never pulled this off on my own. And thank you all for supporting us. Linda Belcher: At my church we have a group called Joy Group and they invited me to come and speak and they brought a huge garbage bag full of stuff, everything you can imagine. Then the ladies were interested and three of them

actually showed up that night to help us serve hot dogs and with them they brought gift cards for gas and food so we have lots of people; once they hear about what's happening they are there to help and that's what we're trying to do is help. Dana Bischoff James: If people have items to donate who do they contact? Faith Portman: You can call me or Denise Arnold or take them to Nazarene Daycare. Dana Bischoff James: Of the 58 that attended, were those all in need or did that include the workers as well? Faith Portman: The girl that took head count I would say she probably didn't know who all were helpers so it could have been some of the helpers; I did ask her if she counted the Fire Department and Police Department and she said no because we probably. Linda Belcher: I would say more than half were homeless people. Faith Portman: I would say there were probably 10-12 volunteers. Liz Maguire with the Health Department came and did blood pressure monitoring which was great. For the first event it really went good; we didn't advertise because we wanted this to be the people that needed the help. We went to the soup kitchens and invited them to come. So that's how we got them there. Anyway thank you all for your support.

Harlan Compton: I am, as of a couple weeks ago, the coordinator for the 2015 Bullitt Blast and Shepherdsville City Fair event. Most of you know Tony Thompson who I work rather closely with to put all of this together last year so we have our schedule up on the website; sponsors and exhibits we're working on getting up on the website; the Tourism Committee is putting out their own media and advertising so short of advising you of that the website is bullittblast.com are there any particular questions I can answer while I'm here.

Department Reports:

Fire Chief Layne Troutman: I didn't get a chance to send anything out to the Council on it; we're completely out of oil dry right now and I know I have to get permission to spend out of the Mitigation Account; I need to go ahead and buy four skids of oil dry, it's \$950.00. Dana Bischoff James made motion to allow purchase of oil dry out of the Mitigation Account. Bernie Brown 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

Controller Bob Ryan: At the last Council meeting when the Budget was passed we put a line item in there to restrict \$1 million for the road aid; when that was passed I went to three area banks, I only looked at A rated banks to ask them what they could do for the City with \$1 million and as you recall when we had those extra funds coming in from Beam there was another \$300,000 that was supposed to be set aside in a Sewer Construction Fund so I went to the Banks and said I've got \$1.3 million what can you do for me? The response that I got back from Republic Bank they proposed putting it in various CDs of \$250,000 spread over a period but their interest rate was .05%; what that means is I put a million dollars in the bank today and 365 days from now I get \$1,000,500. I did not get a response from PNC; we are already getting .05 from Your Community; Stock Yards Bank came back at .25 so on the million it goes from \$500 at Republic to \$2503 compounded at Stock Yards. So what I'm asking for tonight is a Resolution from the Council to go to Stock Yards Bank and open up two restricted accounts; one for \$1 million for the road aid and the other \$300, 391.73 restricted for future construction on the sewer. Stock Yards knows the KRS requirement to collateralize funds in excess of the FDIC limitation of \$250,000 so all these public funds would be protected. You are going to get the most from Stock Yards on your money. Dana Bischoff James made motion to approve. Gloria Taft 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

Council Reports:

Dana Bischoff James: Have we resolved the issue with the Shepherdsville Titans? I just want to reiterate that fact that the YMCA during their renewal did agree that they would work with the various groups. Mayor Ellis: But by the time they get done setting up all their fields they pretty much just push everybody out. They did agree but when they set up their fields it didn't leave any room for anybody to come in. Dana Bischoff James: To me that's breach of contract. Scott Fleming: I spoke with the Titans today and they are pursuing practicing behind Roby and they did speak to me about the agreement you're talking about but they are worried about in the fall and them getting pushed out of there. So he wants to meet with me later in the week to see if there is any can accommodate them but right now he wants to pursue with the School Board. Dana Bischoff James: I was at the last School Board meeting and he was not at that meeting. Scott Fleming: Right. He's meeting with his Board tonight.

Bernie Brown: I spoke with Mr. Snider and ask him if in a couple of weeks he would give us an update on the status of the road project. And I'll be looking forward to hearing that status report in a couple weeks. There's nothing more going on with the railroad crossing yet that I know of. Mayor Ellis: I've called and spoke to a lady and got the same response that Larry did, very receptive but nobody said anything about when they would do it. It's a wonder I didn't lose my care this weekend going through there. Bernie Brown: I think we need to make a lot of noise. Mayor Ellis: The one that they did repair apparently has broken lose again so the repair they did didn't work. Dana Bischoff James: Who should we contact? Mayor Ellis: I'll forward Larry's email to you. Bernie Brown: That's got to be one of the worse railroad crossings in the whole State. We need to stay on top of it.

City Attorney Wantland: The Council made a good business choice in electing to have full replacement coverage on their vehicles. We had a fire truck that was damaged in a motor vehicle collision and the City received a check, it was a fight, but we received a check for the repairs in the amount of \$105,000. That's a lot of money but again that was for a repair. Most of these fire vehicles that we have; the bigger ones are three quarters to a million dollars to replace.

Dana Bischoff James made motion to adjourn. Bernie Brown 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent. Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

R. Scott Ellis III, Mayor

Attest: _____
Tammy Richmond, City Clerk