

**CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, May 16, 2016**

Mayor James called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

Council members present: Larry Hatfield, Ashley Bratcher, Dana Bischoff James, Bernie Brown, Gloria Taft

Mayor James asked City Attorney Wantland to have the second reading by Summary of Ordinance 016- (number to be assigned) amending Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance #016-215

Dana Bischoff James made motion to read by summary. Gloria Taft 2nd. Motion carried 3-0-2 (LH, BB) not voting.

Mayor James opened the floor for discussion. Gloria Taft: The page 19 edit, it says except x for areas removed. Do we have any zonings of x. Floodplain Coordinator Brenda Weidekamp joined the meeting. Larry Hatfield: What's an x zoning? Brenda Weidekamp: It is a 500 year; it's what you want to be in. It could be a 500 year or not a floodplain. That's the good zone.

Bernie Brown: One foot might not be enough. Scott Fleming: It depends on which way you look at it. From the developers standpoint one foot is as far as I would want to go. But from a residential owner if we would have done the two foot 20 years ago we would have avoided some of this. Dana Bischoff James: One of my concerns is if we do go to two feet then some of the surrounding areas you are going to end up creating a flooding environment whenever you go up higher. Scott Fleming: You very well could have that but you take your existing developments you grandfather those in and any of your new developments, any future buildings would have to be engineered into that particular parcel. You would have to be able to deal with the runoff. Chuck Keith: Who is going to enforce for your home if they runoff on you, who is going to be the one to enforce this? Larry Hatfield: That would be the property owner. Chuck Keith: The person that developed it that caused the problem. Larry Hatfield: Yes. If it's not our easement it's not our problem. Chuck Keith: But I'm looking at it as a property owner. If people build around me higher than I am then I'm going to be the runoff and I come to the City and they say just what you said? City Attorney Wantland: If a person by definition alters the runoff they are responsible for what they have altered. Chuck Keith: But as a property owner I'm going to have to get a lawyer and fight them to make them fix it. City Attorney Wantland: Private remedy just like everybody else. Dana Bischoff James: That's why I like going one foot not two foot because it creates less animosity for the current homeowner as well. Larry Hatfield: You are actually going 18". City Attorney Wantland: I'm looking at the idea in our community if you're not going east and not going west there is not a whole lot really, its low flat property that is great for agriculture purposes. Larry Hatfield: I don't think you'll see any more subdivisions over in that area. I may be wrong. City Attorney Wantland: Then you twist it around I agree with Larry and you flip it around Jefferson County acquired large tracts of western Bullitt County for a foliage flood easements. They've taken theirs and basically said we're going to flood Bullitt County and as a futuristic type thought we need to look at foliage easements through Fort Knox would be an excellent one but we may have to look at for relief we've got to be more forward thinking. Jefferson County has one heck of a flood wall system but we don't have any. And I know we have to build like a castle when you think of Floyds Fork and Salt River but at some point you have to sit there and say the western and southern part of our Community is flat and it's prone to flooding and it's great for agriculture but it may not be good for residential construction and all these people that are putting large investments in here they are raising their buildings up. If you go down to the Allen Farm right now I'm going to say Flynn has raised what I assume they are going to put a pad on I'd say three feet.

Dana Bischoff James made motion to approve. Gloria Taft 2nd. Motion carried 3-0-2 not voting.

Dana Bischoff James made motion to adjourn. Ashley Bratcher 2nd. Motion carried 3-0-2 not voting Meeting adjourned at 12:15 a.m.

Honorable Brian James, Mayor

Attest: _____
Tammy Richmond, City Clerk