

**CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2016**

Tom Elbert with Devine Savior Lutheran Church gave the invocation
Pledge of Allegiance was recited
Mayor Brian James called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Council members present: Bernie Brown, Gloria Taft, Dana James and Larry Hatfield.

Announcements:

Mayor James asked for a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes from the 6/28/2016 Regular Meeting. Gloria Taft made a motion. Dana James 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

Mayor James asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the 6/28/2016 Regular Meeting. Dana James made a motion. Gloria Taft 2nd. Motion carried 3-1-2 absent. Larry Hatfield voted no.

Mayor James asked for a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes from the 6/28/2016 Special Meeting. Larry Hatfield made a motion. Dana James 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

Mayor James asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the 6/28/2016 Special Meeting. Gloria Taft made a motion. Dana James 2nd. Motion carried 3-1-2 absent. Larry Hatfield voted no.

Mayor James asked for a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes from the 7/26/2016 Regular Meeting. Dana James made a motion. Larry Hatfield 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

Mayor James asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the 7/26/2016 Regular Meeting. Gloria Taft made a motion. Dana James 2nd. Motion carried 3-1-2 absent. Larry Hatfield voted no.

Mayor James: At this time I would like to ask Mr. Steve Emly and Rob Campbell with QK4 to present their traffic study.

Presentation

QK4 to present traffic study

Steve Emly: Good evening how are you all? I have Rob Campbell here as well as Jeremy Luckett who has done a lot of the legwork for the traffic study. They may join me for some Q&A when I get done with this presentation. I will try to make this brief so we have time for questions afterwards. We're about six months into this effort now and we finished all the work related to the traffic monitoring and the simulations we have done related to the existing conditions and possible future conditions.

Mr. Emly then showed a short presentation of the study showing where the current traffic problems existed. He also addressed pedestrian traffic issues. Mr. Emly stated they had an open meeting but said it was lightly attended consisting of about 12 citizens that showed up but that they did receive feedback from the citizens. He said the best response they had was from the questionnaire they posted on the city's website. He said they received 34 responses from that questionnaire. He said one of the questions they threw out there was the possibility of incorporating a roundabout as a potential solution. Said the community as a whole does not support a roundabout. He said they made that very clear and it was unanimous that they didn't want that. He then presented several solutions and the cost of these projects to alleviate some of the major issues found in this study He stated highway 44 was the first priority. The Conestoga, Adam

Shepherd Parkway issues were addressed as well as Keystone Crossing and how it intersects with Conestoga and Adam Shepherd Parkway. Gloria Taft asked if they recommend putting a light there. Mr. Emily stated they have talked about a light as well as several other ways to reconfigure that intersection. He said that would be something to speak to Jeremy Lockett about but they currently haven't considered putting a light in that intersection. Mr. Emily stated that to relocate Keystone Crossing it would be about a \$1 million project. He also explained a free one that could be implemented when developers do a new building by requiring them to do a two-way street in the Conestoga area as well as put in sidewalks. He proposed businesses along Highway 44 towards Hester be turned into right turn only businesses to make them safer. It would involve a new signal being placed on Highway 44. Councilwoman Dana James asked if they needed to do it in different phases to allow the citizens to get used to the new routes in a safe way and what kind of timeframe it would involve. Mr. Emily stated a lot of it would have to do with the budget restrictions that there is no way you can implement all of these things at one time even if you wanted to. He said they laid it out in the order in which they think the city should approach it when the funds become available and with each implementation there would be public meetings and public outreach programs to let the community know what we're proposing as well as what to expect when the project is done. The alternatives on 44 they would be working primarily with the state and transportation Cabinet to try to get funds to improve the turns on Highway 44. He also suggested work that may need to be done on I 65 which would definitely involves state participation. Dana James asked who would be available to answer questions on these different projects. Mr. Rob Campbell stated Steve would be first and he was always available as well. Steve stated Jeremy was the traffic expert and he would be involved as well. Bernie Brown asked about pedestrian sidewalks particularly on Conestoga Parkway. Mr. Emily stated that due to the time they started the traffic study in January and it being very cold that there wasn't much pedestrian traffic so they're unsure of that at this time. Steve said it was clear that there were certain places that you could walk and definitely couldn't cross at the intersections. Bernie Brown then stated that he felt it was a major problem as well as the safety issue. Dana James directed Mr. Brown to the section of the packet to QK4 provided the Council addressing pedestrian issues. Jeremy Lockett's stated that within that plan they tightened up some of the free flow right turns to allow for pedestrian crossing. Steve asked if there were any further questions for them. Dana James thanked him for his presentation and said she would follow up at a later date.

Mayor James then asked Mr. Gary Board if you'd like to approach the podium.

Mr. Board: I was wondering if there was any way to make Keystone Crossing a one-way from Adam Shepherd back to Conestoga Parkway?

Mr. Lockett: We did look at making it a right in, right out only.

Mr. Board: But not a one-way?

Mr. Lockett: No we had not looked at making it a one-way.

Mr. Board: I didn't know if that would help because most of the traffic coming in is coming off of 44. And since you want to restrict left turns off Keystone Crossing onto Adam Shepherd it seems like most of the people that go to the restaurants and possible tourists coming into town you don't have many people turning left onto Keystone Crossing's so maybe if it was one way it would work better. He asked if the city showed how many people were actually turning right or if it showed most of trying to turn left onto Adam Shepherd Parkway.

Mr. Lockett: We do have data on them and we will have to take a look at it.

Mr. Board: Thank you that's all I was wondering.

Mayor James: Thank you Mr. Emily for all the work you put into this study.

The rest of the Council thanked them and Bernie Brown stated they would probably need to have a further discussion as it was a lot to absorb. Mr. Emily stated it was a huge amount of information and they weren't expecting any type of reaction from the council at this time it was just an information sharing presentation.

Old Business: NONE

New Business:

Mayor James: Can I please get chief Puckett to approach the Council please? You would like to have a resolution authorizing the closure of the Shepherdsville Santa and Shepherdsville Tow Lot accounts at Park Community Federal Credit Union and opening the same accounts at Your Community Bank. Would you like to touch on those two accounts?

Chief Puckett: Well, one of the reasons is that your Community Bank has the loans on our police cars and it would just make it easier to make deposits.

Bernie Brown: Is there any reason it wasn't put there to begin with?

Chief Puckett: No.

Bernie Brown: So this is just to make it easier?

Chief Puckett: Yes sir.

Bernie Brown: This is something you wanted to do?

Chief Puckett: Yes sir.

Attorney Joseph Wantland then read the resolution.

Larry Hatfield: Can I ask why we would need five people to be put on the signatures?

Chief Puckett: It is to make sure we have two people available to sign checks. Like today I needed a check signed and Brenda was stuck in traffic but I was still able to get it signed without waiting.

Dana James made a motion to accept the resolution. Gloria Taft 2nd. Motion carried 4-0-2 absent.

Mayor James: At this time I'd like to ask Mr. John Miller to approach the Council.

Larry Hatfield: What about the fire department?

Mayor James: I received a message from them that they weren't ready to go tonight.

Larry Hatfield: Good, because I'm not.

John Miller: Good evening how is everybody tonight? I guess most of you remember I was here sometime back about right of ways on my mother's property. At that time there were certain right of ways the Council didn't want to close but said they would consider the one north-south right-of-way and I'm here tonight to ask council if they would close that.

Larry Hatfield: I don't have a problem closing any of them because I looked on the old map and we've never used any of them. There's never been a car down them in my 61 years of age.

Larry Hatfield made a motion to close the right of way for Mr. Miller.

Attorney Wantland: Close Minerva? I need to draw up an ordinance and explain to Mr. Miller that he needed originals with the blue stamps that are normally referred to as blue lines because these were requirements of Mr. Mooney at the Bullitt County Clerk's office and he would have it ready for the Council at the next meeting.

John Miller: I've got some of those here. He then provided those to Mr. Wantland. He then asked Mr. Wantland if he could give him a timeframe as to when this would get done.

Attorney Wantland: I will get this started next week. I will have it ready for the next meeting.

Mayor Brian James thanked Mr. Miller. He then called for Daryl Lees report.

Larry Hatfield: Hold on, hold on! We have to vote on this.

Attorney Wantland: I have to write up an ordinance before the Council can vote on this.

Gloria Taft: That's why I wanted to start a fact finding mission because Heritage Hills is under the impression that one thing should have happened...and this all happened before I was ever seated on the council.

Joe Wantland: I believe the people of Heritage Hills had representations from the developer and many of those things did not come true.

Gloria Taft: Okay.

Mayor James: Mr. Scott Fleming has been in contact with the company that is buying the remaining lots of Heritage Hills, those talks are still ongoing.

Gloria Taft: So I should speak with Scott about this?

Mayor James: I spoke with Scott yesterday and he had plenty of information on it.

Gloria Taft: Okay, I will get with Scott. That's it. Thank you.

Bernie Brown: Nothing

Joe Wantland: We have this month; we will be in court a lot. We have the High School Drive property that will be heard again towards the end of the month...I believe it is around the 23rd of this month. And we also have two parts of litigation on Mr. Millers property located on Chapeze Ln. and they will be heard also. He stated he was meeting with the KLC Attorney tomorrow if anyone wanted to come down and participate in the meeting.

Dana Bischoff James: I also had a constituent concerned about the sewers, but I will follow up as well with Scott Fleming. Thank you everyone for coming out tonight and taking interest in your local government.

Mayor James then asked for a motion to adjourn to executive session with Chief Troutman in regards to land acquisition. Motion made by Dana Bischoff James. Randy Hammond 2nd. Motion carried 3 in favor – 0 opposed- 2 - absent - 1 not voting.

Meeting adjourned to executive session at 6:35 pm.

Motion to return to regular meeting at: 7:05 pm by Gloria Taft. Dana Bischoff James 2nd.

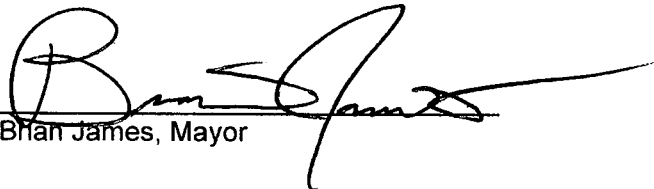
Motion carried 3 in favor – 0 opposed - 2 - absent - 1 not voting.

Joe Wantland: Consensus of the council is to authorize the Mayor to negotiate price and location of property for the acquisition of a new fire station. This will be our second firehouse in Shepherdsville, so the Mayor has been authorized to go forward to enter negotiations and develop an additional location for a new fire station.

Mayor James asked for a motion to adjourn.

Dana Bischoff James made motion to Adjourn. Randy Hammond 2nd. Motion carried 3 in favor – 0 opposed- 2 - absent - 1 not voting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.


Brian James, Mayor


Brenda Weidekamp, Deputy City Clerk