

**CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, April 24, 2017**

Officer Tim Wade gave the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council members present: Gloria Taft, Mike Hibbard Sr., Lisa Carter, Donna Burke, Stacey Cline and Bonnie Enlow.

Mayor Hockenbury called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Hockenbury asked for a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes from the 4/10/2017 Regular Meeting. Donna Burke made motion. Bonnie Enlow 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Hockenbury asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written from the 4/10/2017 Regular Meeting. Stacey Cline made motion. Gloria Taft 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.

Old Business: There was no Old Business to discuss.

New Business:

City Attorney Sholar had first reading of Ordinance-(number to be assigned) setting the salaries of the Mayor and Council Members of the City of Shepherdsville. Mayor Hockenbury: In 2011, the Council had a 25% reduction in pay because the City was in dire straits. I asked somebody to sponsor this because it's the right thing to do. This won't affect any of us at all. This doesn't change our pay. This is for whoever wants to be a Council member or Mayor down the road. It cannot come into effect until 2019. Also, Mt. Washington just passed a similar Ordinance and I want to stay the same step as Mt. Washington. They have the same set-up and it is within KLC standards. If we didn't do it this couldn't happen until 2023. A sitting Council and Mayor cannot change their compensation we have to do it for the future of whoever wants to sit up here. If we don't do this whoever comes in in 2019 can't do it. If they don't happen it will be 2023 and if it's not done then in will be 2027. Sometimes you have to step up and do the right thing. The Council was reluctant. They don't brag but they put so many hours in here and works so hard; we just want to match the Mt. Washington City Council pay. The second reading will be May 8th.

Daryl Lee, Planning & Zoning Appointee: No report

Duane Price, Board of Adjustments Appointee: No report.

Sign In Speakers:

Larry Clark: Addressed the Council regarding problems with a business next door to him. Code Enforcement Officer John Bradley knows of the problems and will deal with accordingly.

James Poyner: Scoutmaster with Troop 868. Has a few problems with the way the Lease Agreement for the Community Center is written up and would like to sit down with the City Attorney or Mayor to discuss.

Linda Belcher: Spoke to the Council about a homeless in Bullitt County. Looking at a building in Shepherdsville and asked the City Council to set aside some money in the next budget to help out.

Mayor Hockenbury read a card he received from Justin Guest, new Director at the YMCA. He also stated that he had received a letter from KIPDA asking him to be a voting member of KIPDA. He wholeheartedly accepted. He will be on the Transportation Technical Coordinating Committee who approves projects on to the next Committee. He stated he wanted to represent Bullitt County at KIPDA.

City Attorney Walt Sholar: I would recommend that we go in to Executive Session to talk about pending litigation. Stacey Cline stated she wanted to discuss a Personnel issue as well. Donna Burke made motion to adjourn. Bonnie Enlow 2nd. Motion carried 6-0. City Attorney Sholar stated we could wait until the meeting is finished. Mayor Hockenbury stated we would go in to Executive Session after the Council reports.

Bonnie Enlow: I had a few questions on the Financial Statements that I will ask Bob about. We have a new hire Chad Woods, what Department is he in? Mayor Hockenbury: Police Department. He filled Ken Bernardi's spot. Bonnie: I would like to note that I am proud of this Council. The last several meetings we've not agreed on everything and everybody has been so pleasant to work with and agreeable even though we didn't agree; we haven't seen that with the Council is a long time and it really makes me proud to be with these people because they know how to act like adults and get the job done. I want to thank you all and say I enjoy working with you.

Stacey Cline: I want to say Thank You to Faith Portman. She helped a lot of people be able to go to the Prom last weekend; she provided dresses by donations, shoes, jewelry, etc. The kids were so appreciative. It was great!

Donna Burke: Traffic Committee did not have a meeting we are still waiting on Qk4 for the design but we do have something we need to bring before the Council. One of the things we were deciding was about the funding we would be using. Bob did a survey of several banks and we determined Republic Bank would be the lowest rate and closing cost. We need to make a decision on this very quickly because some expenses coming out of the operating fund for Alpha Way so we need to be able to put it on something. So, we need to move forward with allowing Bob to go ahead and pursue that loan. Gloria Taft: The previous Council voted to approve a line of credit with First Harrison Bank; we have to have \$1 million in holding in order for them to go through all the paperwork to do the \$3 million line of credit. If Bob can get this loan through Republic it's a better option for the City; the terms are better so we would not use the line of credit that was established for Alpha Way, that would go away and we would fund both projects with this one loan at a better interest rate and it also free up \$1 million of the City's money to pay the current costs. Gloria Taft made motion to accept the Republic Bank offer. Donna Burke 2nd. Motion carried 6-0. Donna: CASA is going to have their golf scramble in June and she approached me about sponsoring a hole and asked me about the City would sponsor a hole. I am doing it for Burke Heating & Cooling and I wanted to see whether or not the City would sponsor a hole for \$100 for the CASA golf scramble. Are there any legal issues with that? City Attorney Sholar: I would have to check. Donna Burke made motion that the City sponsor a hole for \$100 in the CASA Golf Scramble in June if it is legal. City Attorney Sholar: How do they generate the advertising for the sponsor? Donna: It will be in the program as well at the hole that is sponsored. Donna rescinded her motion since there is time to research the legality.

Lisa Carter: I had notice on the Administrative Fund Monthly Financial Statement for March that we are showing Your Community Bank under three categories. I think that needs to be corrected to WesBanco because your Community Bank is no longer in service. Also on the check detail I ran across one item from Gary's Florist here in Shepherdsville for some windchimes that was purchased for Bernie's wife when she passed away in March. Some people may think this is petty of me but as a taxpayer in Shepherdsville and I did speak to Bernie about this and he agrees with me that he didn't think that the taxpayers should have been paying for chimes sent to a funeral home. Bonnie Enlow: There was something at our Budget Workshop on that you can't do that. Lisa: I worked for Bank of Louisville for 7 years and every Friday we would take \$1 collection up from each teller and the head teller would deposit it into a fund account. I've worked for Ford Motor Company for 22-1/2 and have never seen Ford Motor Company pay for any flowers. I would like to get that to where they can open a checking account and have some type of; \$1 from each employee every month would be \$100 a month and in time that will add up. I just don't think personally the taxpayers should be paying for flowers to be sent out to anyone. Flowers for any City person should be taken out of the taxpayer's money. Mayor Hockenbury: I've already addressed this issue. When it came up I spoke with Tammy and told her if there are any flowers to be sent it's not good spending and she agreed. She suggested each Department can have their own flower fund. Thanks to Lisa because we want to instill

transparency in the Government; we want everybody to know that we are handling their tax dollars with the utmost priority. Thank you very much. We did correct that and there will be no flowers from the City.

Mike Hibbard Sr.: At the last meeting we decided to establish a Beautification Committee and since that time we've been advised that someone we asked to be on the Committee here at the City level, Tammy Ott, has been requested to become part of the Tourism Association beautification. So, we have, I believe, we've pretty much come to the agreement that instead of us working here on our local level, we're going to allow Tammy and probably a couple of us to participate in the County and Tourism Boards. They are probably going to have more funds, more reach and more contact with people to get some of these things done and the same issues that we were going to address here particularly with signage and a couple things like that that's high on their priority list. Lisa Carter: I did meet with Troy Beam over at the Tourism place on Cedar Grove Road and filled out an application for a grant for \$2000; so we did get a \$500 grant to reface our signs that are located by Big Clifty, the Welcome to Shepherdsville sign there, the one on 61 South and 44 West. The one on 61 it's just a sign the front signage part has fallen down and went by the wayside. We've got \$500 to start there. We're appreciative of what they gave us because they could have given us zero. We will try to get those signs worked up as soon as possible to make those a little bit prettier. Mike: That just goes to show even though we're actually taking off and seeing, like Bonnie said, we're seeing things mentioned here and then not just dropped or go by the wayside or get confused with others. I know everybody has their own priorities of things but at least we're beginning to make some headway and take an issue and work on it and try to get it solved and then move on to another issue. I think with Tammy's help at the Tourism Board, that's information that is going to flow back and forth that's probably never been had before, everybody was just working on their own.

Gloria Taft: I talked with Scott Fleming yesterday and we are in the last stages of having utilities moved. The project has bid out but the State has not yet shared with us whom they are giving the job to. Mayor I'm going to have to work with Tom LaFollette about some drainage issues in the Lakes of Dogwood subdivision. And I wanted to say congratulations on becoming part of KIPDA. Shepherdsville has not had a voice in KIPDA for many years and we have lost out of thousands of dollars for our Community, so congratulations on that.

City Attorney Walt Sholar: Let me suggest in addition to going into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation, whatever that personnel issue is; also, discussion of potential litigation that is looming.

City Clerk Richmond: I received a call Thursday from Louisville Water Company and they are very interested to meet with us to put the garbage bills on the water bills. We talked with them a few years back but there is a new guy working on it and they are excited to sit down and talk to the City about doing that for us.

City Attorney Sholar: About paying for some advertising at a golf scramble; here is particularly what you want to be looking at and the City can engage in advertising. I would suggest to you that you want to be thinking about any expenditure that the City makes to a private entity or a not for profit entity, charitable or otherwise there has to be a public purpose. The public purpose can't be to help that entity. It has to be that the City receives a benefit. It doesn't have to be that 100% of the City's residents are helped by it but it also can't be that only two residents are helped by it. The other part is if you all, the Council, determines that advertising at a golf tournament is advertising the City's flag, that we receive a public benefit then you all are the ones that gets to determine what a public purpose is. If you just had a sign that says Shepherdsville, Good Guys; that might not be appropriate but Shepherdsville Open For Business or something like that to try to generate a benefit of people that may be coming to that that will benefit business for Shepherdsville, or somebody moving into Shepherdsville, that would be a perfectly legitimate expenditure. If we want to show our concern then we need to reach in our pocket and pay for it. But to reach in everybody's pocket and pay for it; the public may not have that same concern, so that would not be appropriate but if you're receiving a public benefit from the expenditure then you can do that.

Gloria Taft made motion to return to Regular Session. Lisa Carter 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Hockenbury reported there was no action taken in Executive Session.

Bonnie Enlow made motion to Adjourn. Stacey Cline 2nd. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Curtis Hockenbury, Mayor

Tammy Richmond, City Clerk