

CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 08, 2019
6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

With an invocation by Pastor Tom J. Elbert, Jr., Divine Savior Lutheran Church, and the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Curtis L. Hockenbury called the meeting to order at 6:32PM.

ROLL CALL

Present were Mmes. Lisa Carter, Stacey Cline, Bonnie Enlow and Deb Huffman as well as Mr. Kenny Newton. Mr. Larry Hatfield was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve 6/24/19 regular meeting minutes as submitted.

Motion: Stacey Cline

Second: Lisa Carter

Ayes carried, 5-0-1.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Second reading ORDINANCE NO. 019-291

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 011-084 AND SETTING FEES FOR THE USAGE OF THE CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE'S WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES.

B. Second reading ORDINANCE NO. 019-290

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 019-277 OF THE CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE, BULLITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY CONCERNING THE CREATION OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PROGRAM WITH THE SHEPHERDSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT FIREFIGHTERS AND THE CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE, BULLITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY.

New Business

A. Opening of bids received for FY 20 paving projects

B. First reading ORDINANCE NO. 019-295

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE, BULLITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY PROHIBITING THE CASTING OUT OF DEBRIS INCLUDING GRASS AND LEAVES ONTO THE PUBLIC ROADWAY.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning and Zoning - nothing.

Board of Adjustment - nothing.

Other Speakers

Ron Hockenbury – 587 Beechwood Ave – heard there was a responsibility by the City to clean out the creek and the ditch that runs through people’s yards because of an easement. He has cleaned out the ditch four times but is getting old and can no longer do it, the creek (Blue Line) has gotten smaller through the years because of debris build up and it should be the City’s responsibility to clean it out. If people should be cleaning out their ditches to help with flow, then the Code Enforcement Officer should go to everyone’s home and make them do it or fine them.

Kelly Robinson – 586 Beechwood Ave – talked about the creek as well, where it had eroded the land all the way to her back steps. There are no longer trees behind their homes because of a developer which speeds the erosion. Arthur Jones said the City has no oversight of the creek but when she called the Army Corps of Engineers, they said the City is responsible for cleaning the creek.

Becki Hester – 360 Hwy 44 W. #4 and Shannon Layman 297 Cherry St. – Standing water in their yards since February. Lighthouse storage now moving people in and has done nothing about the drainage issues. Passage of pictures, emails, etc. Arthur Jones said there is no update.

Debra Lee – 538 Beechwood Ave – She has been coming to the council meetings for two years and has seen no action against Richard Miles and the flooding on their street. She stated that the Mayor told her prisoners were going to come in and clean out Blue Line Creek to help with the water flow.

Frank Cramer – 260 Meadow Lane – Incompatible office speech against Larry Hatfield once again. Mr. Cramer passed out letters from the Attorney General’s office stating they would not address the issue, Bullitt County Attorney John Woolridge who stated twice there was no incompatibility, and another request stating that Mr. Cramer had an issue with Mr. Hatfield making decisions at the County level [in his position as Solid Waste Coordinator] and being influential as a councilmember with the City. Mr. Cramer would not leave after his allotted three minutes, stating that he refused to leave until he had his say. He wanted the City Council to make a motion to seek an opinion from the Attorney General whether Mr. Hatfield’s position with council and his position as Bullitt County Solid Waste Coordinator represents a conflict of interest. Mr. Hatfield said FINE, he would make the motion as he was fed up with this. The Mayor said he would not call for the vote. Mr. Cramer stated the Mayor needed to take a government class and said he was hiding things. Mr. Hatfield noted he had nothing to hide which is why he made the motion. City Engineer Arthur Jones attempted to guide Mr. Cramer away from the podium, which quite inflamed him by his yelling and making a downward striking motion with his arm. After a few more minutes, Mr. Cramer somewhat calmed down, started to sit down, then approached Mr. Hatfield at the dais, talking about how they could be related.

William Kidd – 686 Peaceful Way – There is a sulfuric smell coming from the pumping station at Hwy 61 and Longlick Creek. Since there are no homes surrounding it, he believes it warrants checking for a leak.

Mr. Hatfield became absent at 7:35PM.

Department Head/Specialty Reports

None.

Council Comments

None.

Motion to adjourn made by Stacey Cline, seconded by Lisa Carter, at 7:44PM. Ayes carried.

Mayor Curtis L. Hockenbury

City Clerk C.R. Wirthlin