

CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, November 9, 2020
6:30 PM

Invocation given by Pastor Tom Elbert, Divine Savior Lutheran Church and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Hockenbury called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Councilwomen Carter, Cline, Enlow, Huffman, and Councilman Newton were present. Councilman Hatfield was absent.

Mayor Hockenbury asked for a motion to approve the 10/26//2020 regular meeting minutes. Motion made by Deb Huffman. Stacey Cline 2nd. Motion carried 5-0-1 abstain (LH).

NEW BUSINESS:

Tom LaFollette and Faith Portman announced that a Splash Park is coming to Shepherdsville due to a wonderful donation from a couple of partners as well as another donor who have given us funding to do some great things. The monies that we received will be more than enough to pay for this project that will be located between the new building and the existing concession stand. We spoke with many different people about where the Park needed to be located. It will have a "Beach Theme" with everything handicap accessible and shade features for those who cannot be in the sun for long periods of time. There are a few other things that we have to do with funding that is left, we will remodel the restrooms making them fully handicap accessible. So, there are still some other things that are going to go into that you don't quite get that funding for; which is the reason we are bringing this to you, because we've been working on it for a while. To give you an idea this would take out every piece of playground equipment that is on First Street, and we will replace all of that, and extend beyond that. We are looking at a 100% matching fund grant from the State, but we will need a decision on that before December 4th. The cost from start to finish is \$112,000 and we are asking the Council to possibly put forth some money for this project. We are looking at about \$100,000 to go in and clean everything out and replace. Q--Are we going to put any playground over there by the splash park? A--We talked about that, but we currently have some equipment that is in pretty good shape on that side. They say it has about a 15-year life expectancy before you start getting into some maintenance problems. So, I hate to take that out, it. We think at this point what is on the right side and will fill out all of that. Then when we go First Street, we do not really have a lot so everything we are doing is to accommodate anyone, any condition. Q--What was the date on that again, A--December 4th. So, by the next meeting we need to decide on spending \$60,000 for that. You know we put \$100,000 in the Budget for that wall that did not materialize yet. That wall might be a great idea. There is \$100,000 that is already in the budget. We do not want to remove that money. So, we only have to come up with half of this amount, which will total that. That is our half, so the cost is actually \$207,000. What if we gave them \$30,000? What do you all think?

Stacey Cline made motion to get \$30,000 out of the attorney's fee budget that the Council set aside. Bonnie Enlow 2nd. Motion carried 5-0-1 absent. How much is it to how much is

there? \$50,000; then there would be \$100,000 from that wall. Mayor Hockenbury stated he would make a phone call to Tom Huff and report back. Q—What about the dog park. Faith stated it will be started in three weeks.

It was decided to discuss Item B. Explanation of the Budget Format at the next meeting.

Ordinance 020-019 setting new rates for sewer service and Louisville Water's proposal to bill will be added back to the next meeting's Agenda for discussion.

Carl Sawyer with Integrated Engineering presented different options that were discussed for Adam Shepherd and Conestoga Parkway.

OLD BUSINESS:

These two items will remain on the Agenda until they are completed. 1. Remove \$100,000 from Sewer Budget Line Item 7031, Office Updates and 2. Move Line Item 5773, MS4 Contracting Services out of the Sewer Budget and place in Public Works Budget. (*Will be completed when Audit is finalized.*)

Several Council Members have still been unable to talk to the Mayor's recommended designee to the Civil Service Commission Board. This will remain on the table at this time. (*Must be brought off table to discuss.*)

Planning & Zoning Update None

Board of Adjustments Update None

SIGN IN SPEAKERS

Gary Board: Has there been any updates on the new Interchange at 480 and I65 that has been discussed for several years. Arthur Jones: The state has allocated funds for this project and acquired the easements necessary to complete this update at the interchange. Before this project will be completed they are going to address the project on 480 up past Cedar Grove Elementary School where they will cut down the hill and widen the roadway to Valley View Drive. All utilities are currently cleared for this project. Once that project is complete, they will double back to finish the work at the interchange. Mr. Board: Could I ask one more question? Has there been any kind of moratorium put on gas hookups in the City of Shepherdsville sales to new homes? The reason I ask is over close to Albert Lane, which is off of Valley View that goes into the City limits of the golf course community. I heard a rumor that LG&E has little gas service going around anymore. Have you heard? Mr. Jones: No, there was concern, as usual about some developments in the gas service area but I have not heard anything about that yet.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Arthur Jones: Another thing I had tonight was about Bernheim Middle School. We are currently trying to get those sewers built out there at the middle school. We had an issue with easements and whatnot. Apparently, the email we got from Eric Farris was they think they have got that ironed out, but we do not have a signed document to put in front of you

today. So what we would like to do is be able to conditionally approve construction, so that we can go ahead and start putting together construction documents and getting the preliminaries out of the way so that as soon as the easements are signed, we can proceed with construction. Bonnie Enlow made motion that we get everything started on the construction pending the fact the approval still fits within that 90-day order to maximize production contingent on all signatures are acquired. Deb Huffman 2nd. Motion carried 5-0-1 absent. The other thing I have is we have advertised the jobs for the sewer department? Applications for Maintenance Tech were due by November 4th at 4:00. The due date for Superintendent applications are still open. After we receive all applications, we have to deal with the Civil Service guidelines.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Bonnie Enlow: Stated money had been put in the Budget for a new media system. Inquired about status. City Clerk Richmond said project will start of November 24th.

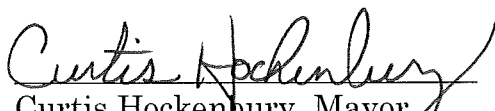
Stacey Cline: Stated while campaigning citizens were not happy with the hours the Mayor works. He should be working 40 hours.

Lisa Carter: Asked if the Sewer jobs had been filled.

Kenny Newton: Stated in accordance with KRS 83A.130(13) "The Council shall have the right to investigate all activities of city government." He stated he noticed a lot of our emails go unanswered. When we ask for information, we send emails in--no answer. We have citizens asking us questions; we cannot get no answers. Let people know that when we ask questions that they need to answer.

ADJOURN

Kenny Newton made motion to adjourn. Lisa Carter 2nd. Motion carried 5-0-1. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.


Curtis Hockenbury, Mayor


Tammy Richmond, City Clerk