CITY OF SHEPHERDSVILLE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023 6:30 PM

INVOCATION given by Mike Miller

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor José Cubero called the meeting to order at 6:30PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bonnie Enlow, Mike Hibbard, Paula Mangus, Jennifer Mendez, Faith Portman and Brad Whittaker.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Cubero: He told the audience that he was excited to be the Mayor of Shepherdsville and went on to discuss his vision for the future of Shepherdsville including but not limited to, youth sports, a new town square and grand new park. He stated that he had spent time with each of the council members and that they wanted what is best for the community as well and that he was looking forward to working with them to achieve that. He then introduced Cortney Burden.

Cortney Burden: She introduced herself and gave her background history. She then explained what she wanted to help Shepherdsville achieve with her help, forging great business relationships with local businesses that would help grow and improve the city.

Mayor Cubero: He thanked Ms. Burden and introduced Katherine Dozier as his choice of City Attorney.

City Attorney Katherine Dozier: She introduced herself, gave her educational background, and stated she was really happy to be serving the City in this capacity for her hometown.

Mayor Cubero: Stated it was really nice to know that we have graduates from Bullitt central making a difference in the City of Shepherdsville and how they could help to hit our vision for Shepherdsville. He then called upon Arthur Jones to discuss the bid for the sewer expansion facility. He stated that he knew it was already approved in the budget, but that he wanted the council to know what was happening.

City Engineer Arthur Jones: He discussed a bid package for the sewer expansion that he had provided the council with the week prior. He stated they needed the room for the additional employees they needed and that this would provide it. He told the council if they had any questions to contact him throughout the work week and he would answer any questions they had.

Mayor Cubero: He asked that they make sure this council and himself know as they spend money and draw off it, just to keep them up with the invoices. Arthur stated that they would.

Mike Hibbard: Stated that three of the council have a meeting Tuesday with Arthur and Scott over to go in and get a lot more info.

Mayor Cubero: Thanked Scott and Arthur. He then called Ken Elble and Tommy Parker up to the podium to discuss our youth programs.

Ken Elble: Stated he was the president of Blue Lick Baseball and lives at 1372 Wilderness Way in Shepherdsville.

Tommy Parker: Stated he was the Vice President of Blue Lick Baseball and lives in Pioneer Village at 4632 Springdale Ct.

Mayor Cubero: Stated that we're in the process of working on the fields right now, replacing fencing, and getting the fields prepped.

Ken Elble: He discussed their plans to bring the leagues to the city and what they would help do, as well as the money it would bring to Shepherdsville.

Mayor Cubero: He told them what the city was currently doing to the park and that he was looking forward to working with them and appreciates their love for baseball and thanked them.

Tommy Parker: He said they are hosting the 10-year-old Babe Ruth district tournament this year; and that they would love to do that in Shepherdsville. He said this would help let people know that baseball is being played here.

Mayor Cubero: He said that that's what we want to make sure of. He said he would like them to get started and that we are going to make this happen. He then called Mike Miller to the podium.

Mike Miller: He thanked the Mayor and Council for their unity. He then proceeded to explain how he would like to help with the homeless situation with a 48-hour turnaround facility located on the outskirts of town, that would service all of Bullitt County. He explained the different charities and resources that Louisville Metro offered and how they would transport them there once they had been fed, showered, and clothed.

Mayor Cubero: Thanked Brother Mike and stated that he appreciated him heading all this up. He said that things will work with our support for him... and they were obviously looking at a location. He said he thought that a committee being established was really a good idea.

A committee was formed with Mayor Cubero, Bonnie Enlow and Jennifer Mendez to oversee this project.

Mayor Cubero: Called for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 12th 2022 Regular Meeting.

Second: Mike Hibbard

Motion to Approve: Bonnie Enlow

Bonnie Enlow: Yes Mike Hibbard: No Paula Mangus: Abstain Jennifer Mendez: Abstain Faith Portman: Abstain Brad Whittaker: Abstain

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Mike Hibbard explained it was a tradition to be the second on the motion to adjourn and that he wasn't and had said no to adjourning at that meeting – with a correction to the minutes he voted Yes to approve the minutes.

Motion Carried: 2 – Yes and 4- Abstentions.

Mayor Cubero: Asked for a vote to transfer funds of \$8800.00 from Budget Line Item: 5710 (Legal Fees) to Budget Line Item: 5019 (salary & Wages to the City Attorney) and transfer \$700.00 from Budget Line Item: 5710 (Legal Fees) to 5020 (Payroll Taxes) to cover that amount for the city attorney.

Motion to Approve: Mike Hibbard Second: Paula Mangus

Bonnie Enlow: Asked Ms. Dozier what experience she had with municipal law – Ms. Dozier explained her previous experience with law and explained her fees.

Bonnie Enlow: Yes Mike Hibbard: Yes Paula Mangus: Yes Jennifer Mendez: Yes Faith Portman: Yes Brad Whittaker: Yes

Motion Carried: 6 Yes - 0 No

Mayor Cubero: Discussed transferring money to raise the rate on the Community Planning and Development Coordinator. After discussion with the Council it was decided that they needed to amend the Ordinance by adding a new job title and rate of pay.

Motion to table this money transfer: Bonnie Enlow Second: Faith Portman

Bonnie Enlow: Yes Mike Hibbard: Yes Paula Mangus: Yes Jennifer Mendez: Yes Faith Portman: Yes Brad Whittaker: Yes

Motion Carried: 6 Yes - 0 No

Mayor Cubero: Discussed Keystones Cross Road and the traffic issues the city has had there. He called for a vote to make it a right turn only onto Adam Shepherd Parkway. Tom LaFollette explained what they would do to the road.

Motion to Approve: Faith Portman Second: Bonnie Enlow

Bonnie Enlow: Yes Mike Hibbard: Yes Paula Mangus: Yes Jennifer Mendez: Yes Faith Portman: Yes Brad Whittaker: Yes

Motion Carried: 6 Yes - 0 No

City Attorney Katherine Dozier read Proclamation 23-01 honoring the members of the Bullitt County Board of Education During School Board Recognition Month of January 2023.

Sign-In Speaker Jo Coffman spoke about the incoming sports teams and how great it would be for the city. She also brought up the need for school crossing guards and who she had spoken to about it at the board of education. She also thanked the Fire Department and EMS for their service in a recent family emergency and commended them for their excellent service. She brought up the need to get our Ordinances in order and legal. She complimented Cortney Burden and Mayor Cubero and stated she was behind him.

Sign-In Speaker Perry Cooke with Mark 12 Ministries talked about the homeless as well. Mayor Cubero told him to contact Mr. Mike Miller that he would be Point Person for our Homeless Program.

Mayor Cubero asked for Department Head Reports.

Chief Schmidt: It's great.

Tom LaFollette stated that CSX and the City would be working together on repairs to our crossings.

Mayor Cubero: Discussed roads and easements we were going to start cleaning up in the city.

Mayor Cubero asked for Council comments.

Bonnie Enlow: Thanked the Public Works, Fire and Police Departments for all the hard work they put in when we were flooding.

Brad Whittaker: Brad reiterated what Bonnie had said thanking the employees for all their hard work. He then said on a sad note he wanted to mention the passing of Steven French unexpectedly on Christmas day. He was a fire fighter at one time with the City of Shepherdsville Fire Department. He joined in 1989 and left in 1995, he was second in command under Jim Enlow. He wanted everyone to keep Steve and his loved ones in our thoughts and prayers. He mentioned other accomplishments of Mr. French though his career.

Jennifer Mendez: Wanted to thank Public Works during the flood as well and said she was happy to be on the council.

Faith Portman: Also thanked the Public Works, Police and Fire Departments saying they did a fantastic job.

Mike Hibbard: He wanted to thank everyone and made mention of all the people in the audience that were in attendance. He said he was proud to be on this council and with the new council and Mayor were heading in the right direction and felt that there was going to be much more transparency and communication than ever before. He thought the citizens were going to see improvements.

Paula Mangus: Said she was honored to be here and excited to be a part of the council and ready to see things get done in the community. She thanked everyone for coming.

Mayor Cubero: Thanked everyone and asked for a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURN

Motion to Adjourn: Paula Mangus Second: Mike Hibbard

Bonnie Enlow: Yes Mike Hibbard: Yes Paula Mangus: Yes Jennifer Mendez: Yes Faith Portman: Yes Brad Whittaker: Yes

Motion Carried: 6 Yes - 0 No

Time: 7:46 pm

Mayor José Cubero

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City Clerk Brenda Weidekamp