

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SHIVELY HELD IN THE
NEWMAN MEMORIAL BUILDING
3920 DIXIE HIGHWAY, SHIVELY, KENTUCKY 40216
ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Conner.

Opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

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| Mayor Conner | present | | |
| Mr. Burrell | present | Ms. Burton | present |
| Ms. Chester Burton | present | Ms. Johnson | present |
| Ms. Thompson | present | Mr. Vincent | present |

Motion made by Ms. Burton, second by Mr. Burrell to approve the minutes from the last meeting as received.

Prior to Council approval of the minutes with changes, the following colloquy between council members was duly noted:

Ms. Chester Burton it was noted/stated that the council members will be notified of all vacant positions.

Ms. Thompson: I have something I would like to add to that.

Mayor Conner: We are approving the minutes.

Ms. Thompson: It is in the minutes, my conversation that I actually asked concerning the position that was available and how it was promoted and so forth. I see the conversation was not in there.

Ms. Johnson: That should go into reports. If you follow the Robert's Rules of Orders you do not put conversations or questions in minutes it is not appropriate to go into minutes it should go into your report.

Mayor Conner: It is only voted on items.

Ms. Thompson: I still want it added.

Motion made by Ms. Chester Burton to accept minutes with changes, second by Ms. Thompson. All ayes present.

ROLL CALL:

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| Mr. Burrell | yes | Ms. Burton | yes |
| Ms. Chester Burton | yes | Ms. Johnson | yes |
| Ms. Thompson | yes | Mr. Vincent | yes |

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Mr. Burrell, no report.

Ms. Burton, no report.

Ms. Chester Burton, the Human Trafficking event was this past Saturday. Joni Jenkins and Dennis Horlander attended and informed us they co-sponsored a bill on human trafficking on Thursday, February 1.

Ms. Johnson, Ruby Hyde would like to announce Ruben Ferman, 3830 Darlene Dr., block watch captain passed away. Visitation will be at A.D. Porter Funeral Home, Tuesday 5 – 8 pm, funeral Wednesday 11 am.

Ms. Thompson, no report.

Mr. Vincent, no report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Conner and Council, 1-26-18

My name is Joe Huber. I grew up in Shively, graduated from Butler 1958. I will be moving back to Shively mid March. I just read the Shively newsletter and enjoyed it very much. Your work and leadership is appreciated. Thank you for doing a great job.

Joe Huber

P.S.

I also want to thank the workers of the fire department they put my flag up at 3500 Janell, the works department cleaned the ditch, 3501 Fernheather. They were very responsive to my request.

Required State of the city address for 2018 by Sherry S. Conner, Mayor.

I am pleased; once again, to report the City's financial status is very sound. This is not an easy task and a lot of hard work and thought go into making this possible.

This is why I am going to propose to the council members to, one more time, return money to our property owners.

As some of you, I know, after watching and reading the news, the Commonwealth is experiencing financial issues. This is mainly due to the state pension system. I know some of you are experiencing this firsthand. So due to the Commonwealth's mismanagement of funds, employees and employers of small cities and communities will bear the brunt of their incompetence. Many small cities will probably not survive it.

So as I propose this stimulus giveback I know and understand it could possibly be our last opportunity to do so. I am proposing the same stipulations would apply. You can not owe taxes and/or fines to the City of Shively of any kind to be eligible for the stimulus as in past.

Google Fiber Optic has made contact will Metro Louisville and other small cities located in Jefferson County to install their product. I am enclosing, in this newsletter, photos of their installations. It is horrid what they want to do to our roadways and I, for one, am not willing to allow Google or any other company to come in and make a mess of our roads. I am sure it would help with internet access and speed but we work really hard to make improvements to our roads every year. But I don't think it is worth the price of their installation procedures. I hope you will agree, after seeing the photos, that if they want to come into our City they need to change their installation procedures.

Your Code Board and Code Enforcement Officers have been busy. 1,971 cases were filed with approximately 1,700 resolved. That is 86%. Their jobs are not easy and sometime not very pleasant but these folks are all dedicated to helping make Shively a better place to live and work.

An update on our sidewalk project that seems to have been going on forever but we are finally going to see some results soon. Obtaining some of the right-of-ways has been the biggest obstacle for us to overcome.

The Works Department built a new salt storage building to make the salting of roads more efficient. This will make it easier to access the salt with the trucks. That might not sound like much of a big deal but when I say the "Works Department built" it I mean they built it themselves.

Shively Police Department has had a busy year. They took in \$100,000.00 in drug money and took 114 guns off the streets.

This past year we have been able to offer many events for our seniors, young people, and children. Some have been fun and others informational. They have all been well received and I hope the council will continue to provide ideas and other types of events that will enhance the lives of our citizens. I am proud the City has been able to sponsor them.

Diageo Distillery has had over 40,000 visitors come through the distillery for tours and meetings. They have a really nice facility and gift store if you are ever looking for something unique.

The Dixie Highway Project “Dixie Do Over” as some call it, has finally started. We were fortunate enough for a part of the project be in our own back yard. That would be the new off ramp at Dixie Highway and I-264. This has been a problem for years so I was pleased when someone finally listened; made the change and corrected the problem. Accidents were reported at this location almost daily and now, to my knowledge, there have not been any accidents there, unless you count the signs the large trucks have taken out. A lot of work goes into them from a lot of different angles. Hopefully, the total project will be started and complete soon.

Thank you to each of our employees and especially the department managers for your continued support and dedication to this City. It shows every day and all of you help to make our lives safer and add quality to our lives.

I usually have a quote from a famous person but I am just going to paraphrase something Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said, “**Don’t judge people by race, heritage, or gender but rather by their character**”. You will feel better about yourself and others will benefit from it as well. Personally, I would rather be **morally** correct than **politically** correct any day of the week.

Thank you for letting me serve you as mayor of this great community.

Sherry S. Conner

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

M.O. No. 2, Series 2018 – Approving Payment of Bills over \$500.00. Introduced by Ms. Johnson. Motion by Ms. Thompson, second by Ms. Burton. All ayes, present.

ROLL CALL:

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| Mr. Burrell | yes | Ms. Burton | yes |
| Ms. Chester-Burton | yes | Ms. Johnson | yes |
| Ms. Thompson | yes | Mr. Vincent | yes |

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:

Reverend and Mrs. Edward Smith, 1703 Nelson Avenue, I keep getting citations from the code department. I have had citations for cleaning up leaves and parking in the yard.

Roy Saunders, 3447 Fernheather Drive, I own the home and the citations are mailed to me and when I get the letter in the mail I only have a few days to do anything.

Mary Woolridge, 601 W. Jefferson Street, just visiting, I have eleven months left to work together on any projects you may have.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Mr. Burrell, second by Ms. Thompson to adjourn the meeting.

All in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed, no. Ayes have it, so ordered. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. All ayes.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK