

**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 6, 2017**

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

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

**ROLL CALL:**

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

Ms. Johnson made a correction to her report stating: The feature artist at this year's Martin Luther King Jr celebration and the KY Center for the Arts was Long Pham. Ms. Long made a drawing from the art reach photo. One of the students he drew was a dance student at the Shively art reach program the drawing was part of a power point presentation during the show. The drawing was presented to the student's mother after the show.

Motion to accept corrections made by Ms. Chester-Burton, second by Mr. Vincent.

**ROLL CALL:**

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**, no report.

**Ms. Johnson**, no report.

**Ms. Thompson**, no report.

**Mr. Vincent**, no report.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mayor Conner then gave the following State of the City address.

This is the required state of city address for 2017.

We are, as a city, very financially sound, I am pleased to say. No one can do this job along and I have a lot of help.

I would like to correct some information regarding parking. Parking has been an issue for as long as I can remember and I started on the council in 1994. I was always told that you could only park cars on streets that had curbs. After much discussion and investigation it has been decided that you cannot park on any streets. I apologize to anyone that I may have given incorrect information to. And I live on one of the few streets that have curbs so I will have to make changes. You will notice more “no parking” signs on every street now.

The long awaited Sidewalk project should begin soon in this year.

We continue with the “re-tree” Shively program for the City. You should be able to notice many new trees throughout the city.

The Hampstead drainage project is complete now. This should help the households that previously had water issues before.

As in the past, we will plan another large drainage project for 2017 as well.

Your Fire Department made 1070 runs in 2016. That is up 130 runs. 500 of the runs were medical related. Other runs include fires, accidents, rescues and other hazardous conditions. The fire department will welcome four (4) new firefighters in the spring.

The Works Department has become more efficient with the new automated trucks. They have gone from 24 routes to 5 routes with your help. And yes, the changing of the pickup days drives me just as crazy as you; but we are really becoming more effective.

The large item pick up is doing very well and most residents seem happy with it.

City Hall continues to become more proficient. This year we will offer our newsletter via email. More information will follow when we are ready to begin accepting email information. We hope this will be more attractive to some of our residents.

The Police Department has grown to 31 officers. Additional cameras have been installed. Our special units continue to solve crimes as fast as possible. Remember most crimes are really not solved in 40 minutes as portrayed on television. Chief Kevin Higdon will have a full complete report later in meeting.

Our Code Enforcement officers work hard every day to check on calls and issues that you may have. The Code Enforcement Board members ensure that property owners comply with the rules and regulations. We had 1991 cases in 2016; property owners received warnings or citations, whichever is necessary at the time. 1878 of these cases have been resolved. That equates to 94%.

The efforts and dedication of the officers and board members are boundless. We all owe them a deep debt of gratitude for their efforts.

We have all waited patiently for a replacement for Dillard's Department store but I think we would all agree that a large retail store is not going to happen but the mall has grown and almost every area is occupied and the improvements are much appreciated. It is well maintained and many folks now work there. There is an Altitude Trampoline Park that should be complete in the near future. It should be a nice addition for kids.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday April 1st. The Halloween Trunk or Trick Event will be Saturday October 21st and Light Up Shively will be held on Tuesday November 28th this year.

I want to welcome our new council members, Tiffany Burton, Shanell Thompson, and Wendell Vincent. I look forward to working with all of you. Congratulations to the returning council members returning, Chester Burrell, Beverly Chester-Burton, and Maria Johnson. We say good bye and wish well to the previous council members Rita Augenstein, Delbert Vance and Ronnie Wathen.

We also said a sad goodbye to a long time Shively citizen, Patsy Mayes. Patsy has been part of Shively for as long as I can remember, both with parks, schools, children, and of course, her time on the City Council. A huge thank you to Patsy and to her family for sharing her with us all of these years. Our condolences to her family.

Again, I must thank the leadership of our departments for their diligence and efforts to do what is best for your City. City Clerk, Mitzi Kasitz, Police Chief, Kevin Higdon, Fire Chief, Greg Cambron, and Works Department Director, John Haywood.

I am going to do something now that I have never done in the past and that is to be just a little political in this message. It is funny because I am probably the least political politician you will ever meet. But I just don't think I can sit and not say something. I was proudly elected by the citizens of Shively. When someone contacts me for assistance I don't ask or worry about whether they voted for me because it doesn't matter to me. **When you are elected.....you are elected to represent all of your citizens not just a select few.** Something all elected officials should remember.

So my message is to all of our leaders, newly elected or otherwise from the very highest to the smallest office.....please stop acting like children and get to work on the real issues that affect all of us and the ones you promised during your campaign. Enough is

enough of who said what and your childish behavior. You were elected for **all of America** so please stop with the irresponsible behavior and get to work.

Thank you.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

M.O. No. 4, Series 2017 – Approving Payment Of Bills Over \$500.00. Introduced by Ms. Johnson. Motion by Mr. Burrell, second by Ms. Chester-Burton. All ayes.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

M.O. No. 5, Series 2017 – A Municipal Order Providing For The Advertisement For Bids For Construction Of An Addition To City Of Shively Public Works Maintenance Building. Introduced by Ms. Chester-Burton. Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Mr. Burrell. All ayes.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

Chief Kevin Higdon then gave the annual report for the police department.

Mayor Conner discussed the city council's raises which come from the State.

Mayor Conner also passed out the audit to the council members. The auditor will be at the next meeting for any questions you may have.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:**

**Ms. Brittany Braun**, 136 Fallen Branch Ct, Mt. Washington, KY, I am the head softball coach at Butler High School. She thanked the mayor, city council and John Haywood, Works Director and the Works Department for all the work and support you've given to the softball program. Due to other events at the softball field, cars have driven on it and have damaged it. We would like to recommend having some work done to keep the field in the best shape possible.

**Mr. Steve Young**, 3212 Savage Dr, complained about kids out at night and asked if the city had a curfew. Also, Schaffner Elementary was voted one of the top five (5) schools in the State named a blue ribbon school.

**ADJOURN:**

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

All in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed, no. Ayes have it, so ordered. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m. All ayes.

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**MAYOR**

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**CITY CLERK**

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