

City of Shively Council Meeting

City of Shively, Kentucky

March 1, 2021

As a result of the state of emergency declared by the President of the United States and the Governor of Kentucky due to the global Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and in accordance with recommended and mandated precautions related to COVID-19 and Kentucky Opinion of the Attorney General 20-05, the following Special Meeting Agenda for the City of Shively Council is issued.

I, Beverly Chester-Burton, Mayor, of the City of Shively, Kentucky, pursuant to the above and KRS 83A.130(11) and KRS 61.823, do hereby call a special meeting of the Council of the City of Shively, Kentucky beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 1, 2021 via video teleconference for a council member.

The March 1, 2021, City of Shively Council special meeting will be conducted as a video teleconference meeting as allowed pursuant to KRS 61.826. At this time, and pursuant to AOG 20-05, the Council and designated staff will participate by a Zoom video teleconference meeting. Any interruption in the visual or audio broadcast shall result in the suspension of the meeting until restored.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Beverly Chester-Burton, Mayor.
(SPECIAL MEETING VIDEO CONFERENCE)

Beverly Chester-Burton opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor Beverly Chester-Burton
Council Member Sharon Baker
Council Member Chester Burrell
Council Member Tiffany Burton-McBroom
Council Member Maria Johnson participated by special video teleconference.
Council Member Shanell Thompson
Council Member Wendell Vincent

Absent:

THE CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF SHIVELY IS ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FIRE APPARATUS – CUSTOM PUMPER, FOR THE USE OF THE SHIVELY FIRE DEPARTMENT. BID OPENING:

Seagrave, Fire & Specialty Equipment Company. 235 Rogers Drive, Shepherdsville, KY 40165.

THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT AND POWER TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE TO THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER OR REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

This the required, City Address, due at the beginning of each year.

It is with great pleasure to report that the 2020 revenue for the City of Shively was \$11,270,614. The city will continue to work towards attracting businesses and homeowners to relocate within our city boundaries. As you drive the Crums Lane corridor, you will notice the development of the “Wade–Braden Peace Park.” The city purchased the property in 2019 however, due to the COVID-19 pandemic progress was delayed. Thank you to our public works department, who will be resuming their work towards creating new signage and a park like setting. This will cosmetically enhance the entrance into our city on Crums Lane.

Every year gives us new opportunities. For me, it is a time of reflection. As your Mayor, I am committed to the City of Shively and I ask the legislative body to be collaborative as we move forward with our upcoming budget, projects and programs. If we work together and think outside the norm, I believe that Shively’s future can be brighter and flourish with opportunities and growth. It is my hope that we will embrace new opportunities to prosper, thrive and become stronger as a city on the move. Therefore, I am asking all stakeholders to join me in making the City of Shively, one of the best places to live, work, play and raise a family.

As an elected official, I believe we have the best job in the world. This position allows us to transform and improve our community. When you elected me as your Mayor in 2018, I was both honored and humbled. Having served in many roles in my education career, public service has always been near and dear to my heart. So, please believe that I chose this profession to make a difference in the community in which we all live in. With that being said, my question is, “Are we living or existing?”

As Mayor, I dream of a community that thrives with businesses, education and performing art centers, sidewalks on all streets, festivals, recreation facilities, new library, youth and senior centers and a historical museum to capture the city’s past, present and future. Therefore, I plan to recommend new projects and programs that will enhance the livability of our city. As you know, COVID-19 disrupted our lives in 2020 and as we attempt to return to our normal activities, the time is upon us as city leaders to make smart budget decisions.

I would like to applaud our front line workers and all city staff for their dedication through the pandemic. You remained professional at all times while maintaining the city services that our residents are accustomed to.

Our firefighters and police officers are among the best trained and most prepared emergency service personnel in the State of Kentucky and I must say “thank you” to our courageous men and women who stand ready to respond on a moment’s notice to serve and protect our citizens every day. I appreciate, their commitment to excellence, their hard work and their willingness to face dangers many of us will never know or even experience. To the veterans, I will always appreciate your valor and the sacrifices you made so that we are able to be present today. Also, I thank you for making our country secure, safe and our community strong.

To the residents of Shively, thank you for remaining a great resource to our police department, as you keep a watchful eye on your neighbors. Whether it is the police, firefighters, teachers, volunteers, city employees or business owners, everyone makes a contribution to the welfare of our city. So, as we work together creatively and collaboratively, we will continue to have major successes.

As we strive to remain a city of peace and unity, remember that this is your home, your community and your city. In the words of Gandhi, “Be the change that you wish to see in the world.” I wish peace and blessings to each of you.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Chester-Burton, Ed. S.
Beverly Chester-Burton, Mayor

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Tiffany Burton-McBroom, second by Chester Burrell to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2021 council meeting.

Maria Johnson, I reported during my council report that on November 12, 2020, page 4, check # 172995, was paid then on December 4, 2020, page 8, check # 172995 appears for a second time.

Motion made by Maria Johnson to accept with changes, second by Tiffany Burton-McBroom to approve the minutes.

ROLL CALL:

Sharon Baker – abstain	Chester Burrell - yes	Tiffany Burton-McBroom - yes
Maria Johnson – yes	Shanell Thompson – yes	Wendell Vincent – yes

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

M.O. No. 4, Series 2021 – BILLS OVER \$500.00.

Introduced by Wendell Vincent. Motion by Shanell Thompson, second by Tiffany Burton-McBroom.

ROLL CALL:

Sharon Baker – abstain	Chester Burrell – yes	Tiffany Burton-McBroom - yes
Maria Johnson – no	Shanell Thompson – yes	Wendell Vincent – yes

M.O. No. 5, Series 2021 – Appointing Civil Service: Ed Cox, Jeffrey Smith, Lisa Butler, Donald Mitchell, Shameka Parrish-Wright.

Introduced by Tiffany Burton-McBroom. Motion by Chester Burrell, second by Wendell Vincent.

ROLL CALL:

Sharon Baker – yes Chester Burrell – yes Tiffany Burton-McBroom - yes
Maria Johnson – yes Shanell Thompson – yes Wendell Vincent – yes

**FIRST READING - ORD. NO. 1 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SHIVELY ORD. NO. 16, SERIES 1967 AND SHIVELY ORD. NO. 18, SERIES 1982, (SHIVELY CODIFIED ORDINANCE CHAPTER 35.36, CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION), PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION TO MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF SHIVELY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
INTRODUCED BY TIFFANY BURTON-MCBROOM.**

**FIRST READING - ORD. NO. 2 - AN ORDINANCE CREATING AN APPLICATION AND PERMIT PROCESS POLICY FOR INSTALLATION OF SMALL CELL WIRELESS FACILITIES IN THE CITY OF SHIVELY, KENTUCKY
INTRODUCED BY SHANELL THOMPSON.**

Beverly Chester-Burton, February is Black History Month. I want to honor the achievements of Shively residents with a proclamation.

Niara Wakaba - Young Adults for Social and Racial Justice

Chanelle Helm - Black Lives Matter Organizer - Social and Racial Justice

Dwan Williams - JCPS Dept. of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion - Social & Racial Justice

Ruby Hyde - Senior Citizen for Social and Racial Justice

Leland Taylor - Black Business Owner in Shively

Frank & Domanic Foster - Black Business Owner in Shively

Speaker, Bill Duriff Mayor of J-Town and Past President of K.L.C.. In Frankfort the house and senate are working on 840 bills. I want to highlight bills that effect small cities. Senate Bill 4, No Knock Warrant, House Bill 561 Tax Bill, Senate Bill - 82 The Dog Bill, Senate Bill 208 – Food Trucks, Senate Bill 171 – The Local Bill, Senate Bill 125 and 110 – The Westend Opportunity Partnership Bill, House Bill 318 – Fire District Bill – Counties wanting the funds the firehouse collected, House Bill 9 – The Retirement Bill, Senate Bill 80 – K.L.E.C. Police Department Bill, House Bill 105 – Abandoned and Blighted Property, House Bill 199 – Right Away Bill. C.E.R.S. has separated from K.E.R.S., eventually better returns will lower the rate. All cities will have a 12% increase to pension rates this year. Event centers are authorized by the Governor to allow 60% capacity.

Public Comment:

Karl Thruston, 3106 Ramser Avenue, it is the only property that does not have access to water. Shively owns a property next to mine. The water company said if I could buy or get a five (5) foot access I can hook on the water line on Ralph Avenue.

Wendell Vincent, motion to have a special meeting on Monday, to discuss tax rates. The Insurance Premium deadline is March 22nd. We do not have enough revenue to do the next year budget.

Wendell Vincent, I motion to meet earlier, 6:00 p.m., at our next scheduled council meeting on March 15th to discuss tax increases. Second by Tiffany Burton-McBroom.

ROLL CALL:
(Inaudible)

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Maria Johnson, second by Chester Burrell to adjourn the meeting.

All in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed, no. Ayes have it, so ordered. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m. All ayes.

Beverly Chester-Burton, Mayor

Mitzi R. Kasitz, Clerk