

City of Shively Council Meeting

City of Shively, Kentucky

March 15, 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 15, 2021 via video teleconference for a council member.

The March 15, 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:

2021 – 2022 Budget and Tax Rate Discussion

Wendell Vincent, the city carried over approximately \$3.8 million to balance the budget, raising the tax rates has been talked about before but no action has been taken. Rising pension contribution rates, the cost of running city services and lower revenues is making it impossible to balance a budget without the carryover money.

Insurance License Fees, current rate is 10%, the tax is assessed on premiums collected by insurance companies on policies written during the preceding calendar year.

Motion by Wendell Vincent to increase the Insurance License Premium tax 2.5%, second by Tiffany Burton-McBroom.

ROLL CALL:

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

Wendell Vincent, the city has never collected on the Health Premium, the definition explains the premiums that are excluded: accident and health insurance, federal insured crop and flood, reinsurance, title insurance, worker’ compensation insurance. The Department of Insurance in Frankfort is unable to estimate the revenue that could be brought in because our city has never had a rate.

Motion by Tiffany Burton-McBroom to collect 1%, second by Wendell Vincent.

ROLL CALL:

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

Wendell Vincent, the city has had the same property tax rate, .339% per hundred dollars assessed, since 2007, increasing taxes is not popular but proposing minimal tax increases, across each rate the city collects, will share the burden of the rising cost of providing premium services to our residents. There are cities that take the compensating rate annually. By law if the rate is increased above 4% a public hearing must be held. I am not proposing that.

Motion by Wendell Vincent to increase current property rate not more than 1.4 cents per one hundred dollars assessed, second by Tiffany Burton-McBroom.

ROLL CALL:

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

Wendell Vincent, the current occupational tax rate was set in 2005, it is 1.5%. Occupational taxes are collected as a percentage of payroll a person pays for working within Shively. This is not paid by the employer it comes from the employee’s earnings.

Motion by Wendell Vincent to increase the current rate from 1.5% to 2%, second by Shanell Thompson.

ROLL CALL:

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

Wendell Vincent, the current net profit tax rate is 1.4% on taxable net profits or \$100.00, minimum, annually which ever is larger. I do not want to run one business out of Shively, businesses are having a hard year, everyone is. Therefore, I am suggesting an increase, to share the burden the of rising costs to the city to provide police and fire departments.

Motion by Wendell Vincent to increase the net profit from 1.5% to 2.25%, second by Tiffany Burton-McBroom.

ROLL CALL:

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

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS:

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. Motion by Chester Burrell, second by Shanell Thompson.

ROLL CALL:

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

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. Motion by Tiffany Burton-McBroom, second by Chester Burrell.

ROLL CALL:

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

NEW BUSINESS:

M.O. No. 6, Series 2021 – BILLS OVER \$500.00.

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

ROLL CALL:

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

FIRST READING Ordinance No. 3 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, CHAPTER 120, OF SHIVELY CODIFIED ORDINANCES, NAMELY SHIVELY ORDINANCE NO. 2, SERIES 2019, INSURANCE LICENSE FEES, CONCERNING THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF LICENSE FEES ON COMPANIES WHO ISSUE CERTAIN INSURANCE POLICIES.

Introduced by Wendell Vincent.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE NO. 4 – AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR THE CITY OF SHIVELY, KENTUCKY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 INTRODUCED BY MR. VINCENT
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INTRODUCED BY MR. VINCENT.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE NO. 5 – AN AMENDED ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE IMPOSITION AND ADMINISTRATION OF AN OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE REQUIREMENT, AND PAYMENT OF AN OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE TAX BY PERSONS AND BUSINESS ENTITIES CONDUCTING BUSINESSES, OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF SHIVELY, KENTUCKY

Introduced by Wendell Vincent.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE NO. 6 – AN AMENDED ORDINANCE IMPOSING A LICENSE FEE UPON BUSINESSES, OCCUPATIONS, TRADES AND PROFESSIONS CARRIED ON, CONDUCTED OR PRACTICED WITHIN THE CITY OF SHIVELY
INTRODUCED BY WENDELL VINCENT.

Public Comments:

Taletha Wright, 2317 Farnsley Road, my home and other homes have been struck by speeding cars, I have had over \$30,000.00 in damages to my property. I am here to ask you what can be done to make Farnsley Road safer. The police are allowed to sit in my driveway to catch the speeding cars on Farnsley.

Motion by Wendell Vincent to call a special meeting on March 17, 2021, 6:00 p.m., for the purpose of a second reading of the Insurance Premium ordinance. Second by Tiffany Burton-McBroom.

ROLL CALL:

Sharon Baker – yes Chester Burrell – yes Tiffany Burton-McBroom - yes

Maria Johnson – yes Shanell Thompson – yes Wendell Vincent – yes

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Sharon Baker, no report.

Chester Burrell, no report.

Tiffany Burton-McBroom, I would like for everyone to review the Certified City of Ethics offered by KLC. I would like for our city to adopt this.

Maria Johnson, I would like to discuss the water line for 3106 Ramser Avenue.

Shanell Thompson, no report.

Wendell Vincent, no report.

I move that the receipts for expenditures be scanned and placed in a drop box for 60 days.
Second by Wendell Vincent.

Motion by Wendell Vincent, lets table until the next meeting. I would like for Mitzi to check with our auditor and see what can be done. Second by Tiffany Burton-McBroom.

ROLL CALL:

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

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Tiffany Burton-McBroom, 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 8:35 p.m. All ayes.

Beverly Chester-Burton, Mayor

Mitzi R. Kasitz, Clerk