

City of Shively Council Meeting
City of Shively, Kentucky
May 17, 2021

Mitzi Kasitz, city clerk, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Council Member Sharon Baker
Council Member Tiffany Burton-McBroom
Council Member Maria Johnson
Council Member Shanell Thompson

Absent:

Mayor Beverly Chester-Burton
Council Member Chester Burrell
Council Member Wendell Vincent

Motion was made by Shanell Thompson, in the absence of the Mayor, I motion for Tiffany Burton-McBroom to oversee the meeting. Second by Maria Johnson.

ROLL CALL:

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

CORRESPONDENCE: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Tiffany Burton-McBroom to approve the minutes from the May 17, 2021. Second by Shanell Thompson.

Sharon Baker, in the public comments I think it could be clearer, in the first paragraph it says: I would like to know why Sharon Baker is not being used to write grants because she said she was qualified, instead of hiring a grant writer using taxpayer's dollars.

I believe he said that a council person told him to ask, why Sharon Baker was not being used to write grants. It was clarified that the position that requires more time.

Maria Johnson, it is not in the minutes I requested to know when will the Mayor be opening up city hall and when will the Mayor be sending out a calendar to let the council know dates the newsletter will go out.

Motion was made by Maria Johnson to approve the minutes with changes from the May 17, 2021. Second by Sharon Baker.

ROLL CALL:

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

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Sharon Baker, no report.

Chester Burrell, absent.

Tiffany Burton-McBroom, Shakespeare in the park was held in The Heritage, because it started to rain. Approximately 40 people attended.

Maria Johnson, no report.

Shanell Thompson, due to the late publication of the newsletter the Shively Clean-Up day was cancelled, but will be postponed. I spoke with the code department before the meeting and the rescheduled date will be August 28. I want as many residents as possible in the community to participate and come together. I am also wanting the residents to let us know what areas need to be addressed.

Wendell Vincent, absent.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

M.O. No. 11, Series 2021 – BILLS OVER \$500.00.

Introduced by Shanell Thompson. Motion by Shanell Thompson, second by Sharon Baker.

ROLL CALL:

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

M.O. No. 12, Series 2021 – Hiring 3 Police Officers: Cody Ruzanka, Trevor Towe and Ricard Waller. Introduced by Tiffany Burton-McBroom. Motion by Maria Johnson, second by Sharon Baker.

ROLL CALL:

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

Public Comments:

Joanna Smith, 3916 Elgin Way, I want you to show you pictures on my phone. Would you want this in your neighborhood? This has been 4 to 5 years of embarrassment for our neighborhood. The grass is tall, trash is dumped in the yard. I want the city to do more than send a letter.

Grace Kelly Porter, 3218 Kingswood Way, I am here about the same yard in the neighborhood, the grass in cut once a year, if then. It has been 5 years, backyard is full of trash, broken down swingset, trash in driveway. We want something done other than a letter sent to her home. The letter in the mail is not working.

Sharon Baker, I want to make a motion to foreclose on the resident and proceed with all legal remedies within the power of the city, and work in tandem with Louisville Metro to resolve the problem. Minimum result to get the property clean. Second by Tiffany Burton-McBroom.

ROLL CALL:

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

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Maria Johnson, second by Shanell 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 7:35 p.m..

Beverly Chester-Burton, Mayor

Mitzi R. Kasitz, Clerk