

Council Meeting- March 18, 2021

The following council meeting was called to order by Mayor David B. Eaton at 6:30 p.m. with the following councilmembers present: Pam Carter, Mike Zoeller, Shane Suttor, Frank Page and Troy Ethington, and Tom Hardesty.

City Attorney: Steven Gregory

City Employees Present: Jennifer Herrell, Chief Rob Rothenburger, Tom Doyle, and Meagan Whitacre

Proclamation- Mayor Eaton

Prior to reading the proclamation, Mayor Eaton opened the floor for any councilmembers who wished to speak in memory of Duanne Puckett. Councilmembers Page, Hardesty and Carter spoke.

Mayor Eaton read a proclamation in honor and in memory of Duanne B. Puckett. Mayor Eaton also announced that the Shelby County History and Heritage Center will be dedicated as the Duanne B. Puckett Building on April 24, 2021 at 1 p.m.

Ordinance 2021-04-01/ Amending the Job Description of Property Maintenance – 1st Reading, Steven Gregory

Steven Gregory, City Attorney, read a summary of an ordinance amending the job description of Property Maintenance with amendments to the supervising authority, functions, and qualifications.

Councilmember Suttor made a motion to approve the ordinance for the first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Hardesty.

Ordinance 2021-03-18 /An Ordinance Establishing a Revised Schedule of Charges for the Use of the Consolidated Municipal Waterworks and Sewer System of the Shelbyville Water and Sewer Commission-2nd Reading, Steven Gregory

Steven Gregory read an ordinance establishing a revised schedule of charges for the use of the consolidated municipal waterworks and sewer system of the Shelbyville Water and Sewer Commission.

Councilmember Page made a motion to approve the ordinance for the second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Zoeller.

Upon roll call, all voted “aye” and the ordinance passed. Councilmember Hardesty, Councilmember Ethington, Councilmember Carter, Councilmember Suttor, Councilmember Zoeller, and Councilmember Page.

Mayor’s Budget Message

Mayor Eaton thanked the Councilmembers and Department Heads for all their work that went into creating this coming year’s budget. Mayor Eaton highlighted some items that will be in this year’s budget. There will be an increase in employment with hiring a police officer, a firefighter, and a part time public works employee for property maintenance. Equipment purchases include four new vehicles (3 are part of the vehicle replacement program) for the Police Department, the new ladder truck for the Fire Department will be completed and payments budgeted into this year, and a new vehicle for the Assistant

Fire Chief. The Public Works Building will be undergoing some renovations. The Wi-Fi system will be redone at City Hall. Equipment will be upgraded at Weissinger Golf Course. Paving projects this year will focus on the streets in-between Main and Washington. The City has increased their monetary contribution to the Parks System and allocated funds to purchase some new equipment. The City will continue to support the following programs: 50/50 sidewalk repair, the Shelby Main Street Foundation, the Shelbyville Horse Show, Habitat for Humanity, Multi-Purpose Action Agency, Crime-stoppers, Shelbyville Community Theater, Celebration of Lights, and the Painted Stone Re-enactment. Completion of the Conference Center will be during the new budget. The 7th and 6th Street Projects will be partially funded in this budget and the following year's budget. The Main Street Façade Program will continue this budget, and new this year, is the \$100,000 Rehab Program for the downtown commercial district. The Mayor reported that the City is financially strong and able to continue quality services to its citizens with a goal to always improve upon and grow responsibly.

Ordinance 2021-03-18(A)/ An Ordinance Adopting the City of Shelbyville, Kentucky Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 Through June 30, 2022- 2nd Reading, Mayor Eaton

Mayor Eaton read an ordinance adopting the City of Shelbyville, Kentucky annual budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 Through June 30, 2022.

Councilmember Zoeller made a motion to approve the ordinance for the second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Carter.

Upon roll call, all voted "aye" and the ordinance passed. Councilmember Hardesty, Councilmember Ethington, Councilmember Carter, Councilmember Suttor, Councilmember Zoeller, and Councilmember Page.

Ordinance 2021-03-18 (B)/ An Ordinance Approving a Lease for the Financing of a Project; Providing for the Payment and Security of the Lease; Creating a Sinking Fund; and Authorizing the Execution of Various Documents Related to Such Lease-2nd Reading, Steven Gregory

City Attorney, Steven Gregory, read an ordinance approving a lease for the financing of a project; providing for the payment and security of the lease; created a sinking fund; and authorizing the execution of various documents related to such lease.

Councilmember Hardesty made a motion to approve the ordinance for the second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Page.

Upon roll call, all voted "aye" and the ordinance passed. Councilmember Hardesty, Councilmember Ethington, Councilmember Carter, Councilmember Suttor, Councilmember Zoeller, and Councilmember Page.

Ordinance 2021-03-18 (C)/ An Ordinance of the City of Shelbyville Amending the Position Description of Fire Captain-2nd Reading, Steven Gregory

Steven Gregory read an ordinance of the City of Shelbyville amending the position description of Fire Captain.

Councilmember Ethington made a motion to approve the ordinance for the second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Carter.

Upon roll call, all voted “aye” and the ordinance passed. Councilmember Hardesty, Councilmember Ethington, Councilmember Carter, Councilmember Suttor, Councilmember Zoeller, and Councilmember Page.

Ordinance 2021-03-18(D) /An Ordinance of the City of Shelbyville Amending the Position Description of Fire Sergeant-2nd Reading, Steven Gregory

Steven Gregory read an ordinance of the City of Shelbyville amending the position description of Fire Sergeant.

Councilmember Ethington made a motion to approve the ordinance for the second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Page.

Upon roll call, all voted “aye” and the ordinance passed. Councilmember Hardesty, Councilmember Ethington, Councilmember Carter, Councilmember Suttor, Councilmember Zoeller, and Councilmember Page.

Public Comments

No comment.

City Attorney’s Report- Steven Gregory

No report.

City Clerk’s Report- Meagan Whitacre

No report.

Department Reports

Jennifer Herrell, City Engineer, reported she has recently applied for the Household Hazardous Waste Grant. Clean Up Shelbyville will be April 5-9, 2021. She plans to have the 7th Street Project out to bid next week and the 6th Street Project out to bid a week or two later. Construction on Ardmore Section 3 is underway, and trees have been cleared on Discovery Point. She is currently preparing the Stormwater report due April 15. Shelby County hired a project manager/MS4 coordinator, she will be working with him as a mentor.

Darlene Snow, Shelby Main Street Director, reported she has met with the Economic Vitality Group, and is planning an Easter celebration with downtown merchants participating. The Promotions Committee will have a Bourbon, Bacon and Butter Bakeoff on April 15 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Barrel Room. The Design Committee will be working on landscaping for the sculptures.

Chief Rothenburger, City Fire, reported that construction of the ladder truck is coming along, with expected delivery in May 2021. The department is currently inspecting fire hydrants around town, working with three different water companies. The department is working together with Shelbyville/Shelby County Parks and Triple S Planning and Zoning to GPS all the park trails to better pinpoint citizens who need emergency assistance.

Tom Doyle, Shelbyville Municipal Water & Sewer, reported the department has just awarded a contract to rehab the tank on Pearce Industrial Road. The next large project will be bringing a large water line in from Interstate 64 to Pearce Industrial Road. In late summer/fall the department hopes to replace more waterlines on Main. The replacement of old lines previously stopped at Brown Avenue.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Eaton recognized Trace Kirkwood, Historic District Coordinator, for his exemplary work with many new challenges and tasks that have been delegated to him. Most notably, his recent work with Councilmembers Ethington and Hardesty on creating an application for the new Downtown Rehab Grant. April 24th is the Chamber Showcase, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Dogwood Festival, 10 a.m.- 5p.m., and dedication of the Heritage Center to Duanne Puckett at 1 p.m. Mayor reminded Council that the next meeting was to take place during Spring Break, April 1st, four members must be present for a quorum. There will be a public hearing prior to the meeting at 6:15 p.m. regarding applying to KIPDA for Covid relief grant money to help citizens with utility bills.

Council Reports

Councilmember Hardesty reported that the Downtown Re-Investment Grant application was 99% complete, one minor change to be made. He announced that Jake Smith was recognized at Tuesday night's Triple S Planning and Zoning Commission meeting for serving 38 years on the committee representing Simpsonville, and extended gratitude for his service.

Councilmember Suttor thanked Councilmembers Ethington and Hardesty for their work on the Downtown Re-Investment Grant application. He also thanked the Shelbyville Police Department for putting out signs around town reminding citizens of the steps they can take to secure their valuables.

Councilmember Zoeller also commended the Police Department for their signs. He also inquired about the burning of debris on highway 53. Chief Rothenburger said the fires are in the county, but he made sure that safety guidelines were being followed and members responsible were checking in on the fires.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Carter and seconded by Councilmember Suttor.

All voted 'aye' and the motion to adjourn carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The next council meeting will take place on April 1, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. with a Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m.

David B. Eaton, Mayor

Attest:

Meagan Whitacre, Deputy City Clerk