

**CITY OF TAYLORSVILLE  
CITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**April 11, 2023.**

The City of Taylorsville City Commission held a Regular Meeting April 11, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. at the City Hall Annex.

Present were:

Karen Spencer, Mayor  
Kathy Spears, Commissioner  
Diane Bowens, Commissioner  
Diana Hilbert, Commissioner

Staff present:

Robert W. Myles, City Attorney  
Steve Biven, City Clerk  
Jan Merzweiler, Co-Treasurer/AP  
Brian Sumner, Police Chief

John Dale, Jr., City Attorney  
Harold Compton, Public Works Director  
Kim Forrest, Co-Treasurer/HR

**Public Hearing on 2021 Water System Improvement Project – (Joe Sisler, Sisler-Maggard Engineering, PLLC)**

Joe Sisler, Sisler-Maggard Engineering, PLLC, addressed the Commission regarding the 2021 Rural Development projects for the improvements of the Water System. Mr. Sisler advised that the environmental portion has been completed. There were no comments from the public on the matter.

***Item #1- Opening Remarks***

Mayor Spencer called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Mayor Spencer called for a moment of silence for city hall families experiencing hardships. Clerk Biven called the roll.

***Item #2 – Comments by the Mayor***

No report was given at this time.

***Item # 3- Reports on Meetings Attended by Commission Members***

No reports were given at this time.

**Item # 4 - Commissioners Report on Departments**

No reports were given at this time.

**Item #5 – Nuisance Abatement – Steve Fowler, Citation Officer**

Steve Fowler, Citation officer, addressed the Commission with the March 2023 nuisance abatement report.

**Item #6 – Consent Calendar**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Spears and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to approve the Consent Calendar and payment of bills for the month of March 2023. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

**Item #7 – Financial Report – Andrew Hagan, DMLO**

**Financial Report**

- The Cash analysis and deposit collateral reports were provided. We are fully collateralized at all three financial institutions.
- Overtime department totals through March were provided.
- General fund: Financials were included year to date through 03/31/2023.
  - o Year to Date Occupational License Tax is \$315,275.
  - o Year to Date Insurance License Tax is \$232,710.
  - o Property Tax Income is \$220,431.
  - o Sanitation is over budget – all others are under.
- Water and Sewer Financials were included year to date through 03/31/2023.
  - o Water Revenue is \$3,507,054 net of refunds.
  - o Sewer Revenue is \$347,408.
  - o Revenue is 6% above budget, expenses 4.2% below budget.
- The Municipal Road Aid Fund Balance as of 03/31/2023.
  - o Bank Balance is \$104,563.

**Item # 8 - CDBG Funds**

Steve Biven, City Clerk, addressed the Commission with the Legally Binding Agreement between the City of Taylorsville and the University of Louisville/UofL Health, Inc. Mr. Biven asked that the Commission approve the template of the agreement pending any liability changes that need to be made.

Robert W. Myles, City Attorney stated that the agreement is the initial paperwork to get the project going.

**Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Bowens to sign the preliminary legally binding agreement between the City of Taylorsville and the University of Louisville/UofL Health, Inc. with the understanding that this isn't the final version of the agreement. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

**Item #9 – Garbage Services – Todd Chamberlain, Republic Services**

Todd Chamberlain, Republic Services representative, introduced himself to the Commission as the point of contact for the City of Taylorsville. Mr. Chamberlain asked that the Commission contact him with any problems that the City has in regard to garbage services.

**Item #10 – Main Street (Beverly Ingram, Main Street Manager)**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Spears and seconded by Commissioner Bowens to approve Bev Ingram's hours for work as Main Street Manager. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

**Item #11 – Committee Reports**

**a. Engineering Projects (Joe Sisler, Sisler-Maggard Engineering, LLC)**

**Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Bowens to approve payment in the amount of \$21,827.50, invoice 20013-LP5, to Sisler Maggard for work on the Lilly Pike Pump Station project. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

**Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Bowens to pay invoice for project number 20013/22023, submitted by McCain Brothers Excavating, LLC for work completed on the Mill Road project in the amount of 114,634.63 upon staff review. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Bowens and seconded by Commissioner Spears to approve payment of the Sisler-Maggard invoice, 22023-GA-5, for the Mill Road Waterline Replacements project administration in the amount of \$2,500. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

**Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to approve payment of the Sisler-Maggard invoice, 22026-GA2, for Mill Road Waterline Replacements project administration in the amount of \$10,000. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

**Item #12 – New Business**

- i. Steve Biven addressed the Commission about a phone conversation he had with Bryant Kirby regarding grant money available for the City to acquire property and give to Habitat for Humanity.
- ii. There are two Planning and Zoning appointments that are due to expire and need to be reappointed. One appointment is for the Planning and Zoning Commission, Board of Adjustments. The current Board of Adjustments, Charles Ethington's term has expired. The second appointment is for Planning and Zoning Commissioner. The current Commissioner, Diana Faue's term is expired.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Spears and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to reinstate Charlie Ethington to the appointment of Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

**Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Spears to reinstate Diana Faue to the appointment of Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

**a. Department Reports**

**i. Utility – Harold Compton, Public Works Director**

Harold Compton, Public Works Director, addressed the Commission with the report for March.

- a. Mr. Compton received a comment that the fire hydrants hadn't been serviced or repaired. Mr. Compton conducted an inspection of the hydrants and gave a report to the Commission.
- b. Top Flight Sewer plant has been approached by MSD to take over the operations of the sewer plant. Spencer County would like for the City of Taylorsville to look into taking over the operations of the Top Flight Sewer plant.
- c. Mr. Compton addressed the Commission regarding the need to purchase the air compressor that the City has been renting. Mr. Compton spoke w/ Wayne Supply to purchase the rental air compressor. Wayne Supply agreed to give a discount for money already paid in rent for the air compressor. The total cost of the air compressor is \$9,740.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Spears and seconded by Mayor Spencer to purchase the air compressor that the City has been renting in the amount of \$9,740. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

- d. Mr. Compton addressed the Commission regarding the need to purchase two new trucks for the water department. The quote for one truck is \$55,800. Mr. Compton stated that isn't the exact price and he would get back when he receives the exact price for two water department trucks.
- e. The sewer tarp is in need of repair which could cost as much as \$100,000 for the City to have repaired. They will look into using ARPA funds for the repair that is needed on the sewer tarp.

**ii. Police – Brian Sumner, Police Chief**

- a. Brian Sumner, Police Chief addressed the Commission with the March report. There were 12 citations, 106 complaints, 38 school visits, 0 DUIs, 149 business checks, and 15 county runs that were mostly backups.
- b. Brian Sumner, Police Chief addressed the Commission regarding Alice Training – Active Shooter training. Brian Sumner told the Commission that the County along

with the City would be eligible for training. The cost of training would be \$17,000 for 20 first responders to participate in the training. The cost would be split per person between the County and City. After they receive training, they would be certified instructors.

**Item #13 – General Government**

**a. Comptroller**

Steve Biven, City Clerk, addressed the Commission regarding the Comptroller position. Mr. Biven told the Commission that we have reached out to Robert Half to get information regarding contracting with them for permanent placement needs that the City has for a Comptroller. The City would pay Robert Half 25% of the first year's wages.

The other option would be to repost the Comptroller position on Indeed and contact the candidates upon receiving qualified resumes without the Commission's review of the resumes.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Bowens and seconded Mayor Spencer to advertise in Indeed for the position of Comptroller. The Commission agreed to allow us to contact the qualified candidates before the Commission reviews the resumes. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

***ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION***

**Item #14 - EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Spears to Adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.815, notice is given for the need of a closed session to discuss the following:**

Discussions of matters which might lead to the appointment or reappointment of specific individual employees to specific positions and/or members and/or the discipline or the dismissal of an employee or member, KRS 61.810(1)(f)

These matters need to be discussed in closed session to protect confidentiality.

Proposed and Pending Litigation, KRS 61.810(1)(c),

These matters need to be discussed in executive session to protect attorney client privilege, strategy, and tactics etc.

Discussions concerning a specific economic development proposal KRS 61.810(1)(g),

These matters need to be discussed in executive session in order to not jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of a business.

**Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

***RETURN TO OPEN SESSION***

**Item #15**

Motion was made by Commissioner Bowens and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to return to open session. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

**Item #16**

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Spears to provide a salary increase to Joshua Thurman, Mike Easter and Charlie Partin due to the end of their probationary period. Motion carried 4-0.

**Item #17**

Motion was made by Commissioner Bowens and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to hire Charles Partin to the position of Assistant To the Public Works Director. Motion carried 4-0.

**Item #18**

Motion was made by Commissioner Spears and seconded by Commissioner Bowens to hire Mike Easter to the position of Water Distribution Operator. Motion carried 4-0.

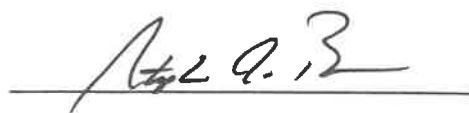
***ADJOURN MEETING***

**Item #19**

Motion was made by Commissioner Spears and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.



**Karen Spencer, Mayor**



**Stephen A. Biven, City Clerk**