

**CITY OF TAYLORSVILLE  
CITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**October 24, 2023**

The City of Taylorsville City Commission held a Regular Meeting on October 24, 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  
Abbigail Nation, Commissioner

Staff present:

Robert W. Myles, City Attorney  
Harold Compton, Public Works Director  
Kim Forrest, Co-Treasurer/HR  
Stacey Crenshaw, Front Office Lead

Steve Biven, City Clerk  
Jan Merzweiler, Co-Treasurer/AP  
Dan Burke, Comptroller

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

Mayor Spencer called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Public Works Director Harold Compton led those in attendance in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk Biven called the roll.

**Item #2 – Legal, Robert Myles – City Attorney**

**a. Ordinance 439 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) – Regulating Fireworks Ordinance**

Attorney Myles gave a summary reading of Ordinance #439. **Motion made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Nation to approve Ord. # 439. Motion carried 5-0.**

**b. Ordinance 440 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) – Nuisance Code**

Attorney Myles gave a summary reading of Ordinance #440. **Motion made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to approve Ord. # 440. Motion carried 5-0.** Attorney Myles will assist in training for those responsible for enforcing the ordinance.

**c. Ordinance 441 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) – Code Enforcement Board**

Attorney Myles gave a summary reading of Ordinance #441. **Motion made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to approve Ord. # 441. Motion carried 5-0.** Attorney Myles suggested training for those who will serve on the board. The City Commission is to present possible members for appointment on this board at the next Commission meeting in November.

**Item #3 – General Government**

**a. Alliance Upgrade Update**

Comptroller Burke provided an update on his analysis of the Alliance software. Stacey Crenshaw, Front Office Lead, stated that \$14,000 maintenance fee for the basic G5 upgrade was an “annual” fee, not a monthly fee as was previously stated. Mr. Burke will continue with his analysis and is looking at possible alternatives.

**b. Garbage Bids**

Mayor Spencer stated her conflict of interest on this issue due to her position with Spencer County government as the Solid Waste Coordinator, and operator of the Recycling Center. She will abstain from voting on this matter.

The commission discussed the two proposals that were received. Todd Chamberlain, with Republic Services was present to answer any questions regarding his proposal. If awarded the bid, the commission would want a contract to include a provision for replacing lost cans within a 24-hour period. The Commission will award the contract at the next meeting.

**c. Halloween**

Liability issues and the public use of city funds were discussed. **Motion was made by Commissioner Hilbert and seconded by Commissioner Nation to spend a maximum of \$400.00 on Halloween candy in order to promote downtown economic activity. Motion carried 5-0.**

**d. Veteran’s Day**

Due to the fact that Veterans Day falls on a Saturday, the city will observe the holiday on Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. This is the first year that employees have been given this benefit. The two local veterans’ groups are sponsoring a parade downtown, with the other parading around the schools.

**e. Employee Bereavement Etc.**

The policy of sending flowers for funerals was discussed. It was suggested that for other occasions, cards be sent to those that are sick, etc.

**Item #4 -Utility – Harold Compton, Public Works Director**

Mr. Compton discussed various issues regarding his department. **Motion was made by Commissioner Nation and seconded by Commissioner Bowens to amend the water policy to pass on the \$150 Division of Water fee from the Division of Water, directly to the developer and to require residents to be present on site when water service is turned on. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.**

It was suggested that the \$30 charge for service calls that are not related to the city water services' responsibilities be noted on the bills as soon as possible.

### ***ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION***

#### **Item #5 - Executive Session**

**Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert 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 5-0.**

### ***RETURN TO OPEN SESSION***

#### **Item #6**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Nation and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to return to open session. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.**

#### **Item #7 – City Hall and Annex Renovations**

Attorney Myles presented the bid notice and specifications for the city hall and city hall annex roof replacement.

**Item #8 - Sidewalks**

Attorney Myles informed the Commission that the city should adopt a repair plan to reduce liability issues.

***ADJOURN MEETING***

**Item #9**

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

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**Karen Spencer, Mayor**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephen A. Biven". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

**Stephen A. Biven, City Clerk**