

**CITY OF TAYLORSVILLE
CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

January 14, 2025

The City of Taylorsville City Commission held a Regular Meeting on January 14, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. at the City Hall Annex.

Present were:

Karen Spencer, Mayor
Kathy Spears, Commissioner
Roy Bell, Commissioner
Diana Hilbert, Commissioner
Courtney Bentley, Commissioner

Staff present:

Robert Myles, City Attorney
Harold Compton, Public Works Director
Kim Forrest, Co-Treasurer/HR
Steve Fowler, Citation Officer
Stacey Crenshaw, Front Office Lead

Steve Biven, City Clerk
Jan Merzweiler, Co-Treasurer/AP
Brian Sumner, Police Chief
Keith Waldrige, Assistant Public Works Director

Item #1 – Consent Calendar

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Bentley to approve the Consent Calendar for December excluding the minutes of December 19, 2024, that will be presented at the January 28, 2025, regular meeting. carried with a vote of 5-0.

Item #2 – Comments by the Mayor

Mayor Spencer welcomed new Commissioners, Roy Bell and Courtney Bentley.

Item # 3- Reports on Meetings Attended by Commission Members

No report was given at this time.

Item #4 - Commissioners Report on Departments

No report was given at this time.

Item #5 – Audit Report – Paul Maddox, CPA

Paul Maddox, CPA, presented the audit report for fiscal year 2023-2024. Mr. Maddox distributed the audit report and will get Commission approval at the February meeting. Mr. Maddox will submit the audit invoice for approval at the February meeting.

Item #6 Animal Shelter & Taylorsville Park Agreement – Dan Pharris, Spencer County Magistrate

Dan Pharris, Spencer County Magistrate, addressed the Commission with an update on the Animal Shelter. Mr. Pharris reminded the City of Taylorsville that they need to have a water meter installed. Mr. Pharris stated that the City of Taylorsville agreed to donate \$5,000 to the Animal Shelter.

Mr. Pharris addressed the Commission regarding the Taylorsville Park agreement. Mr. Pharris stated that Spencer County Fiscal Court and Spencer County School Board has signed the Park agreement, but they are still waiting for the Commission to approve the signing of the Taylorsville Park agreement. Mr. Pharris stated that the City of Taylorsville is not under any financial obligation by signing the agreement. Representative Tipton will need all parties to sign the agreement before he can move forward in applying for grant funds.

Scott Travis, Spencer County Judge Executive, welcomed the new Commission and expressed how important it is for the City of Taylorville and Spencer County to work together to provide improvements in water, sewers, and roads for all residents in Spencer County.

Item #7 Ordinance #449 & #450 – Industrial & Agricultural Zone Pertaining to Craft Distillery – Julie Sweazy, Planning & Zoning

Julie Sweazy, Planning & Zoning Administrator, addressed the Commission with Ordinance #449 and #450. Ms. Sweazy stated the Commission will need to decide if they would like to approve the ordinance the way it was originally written or if they would like to approve the ordinance the way that Spencer County Fiscal Court did with the removal of the conditional use language.

Ms. Sweazy also announced vacancies on the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to table the decision regarding Ordinance #449 & #450 to the second Commission meeting of January. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Item #8 – Main Street (Beverly Ingram, Main Street Manager)

Beverly Ingram, Main Street Manager, addressed the Commission with a report for December. Ms. Ingram informed the new Commissioners that Taylorsville Main Street is a nationally accredited Main Street community.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Spears to approve Beverly Ingram's hours for work as Main Street Manager for the month of December. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Spears and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to sign the Main Street Designated Program letter. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Item #9 – Committee Reports

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

i. Lilly Pike Pump Station –

Joe Sisler, Sisler-Maggard Engineering, LLC, addressed the Commission with an update on the Lilly Pike Pump Station project. Mr. Sisler stated that the Lilly Pike Pump Station is complete. They are still waiting for the final pay request.

ii. Sewer Asset Inventory -

Joe Sisler, Sisler-Maggard Engineering, LLC, addressed the Commission with an update on the Sewer Asset Inventory. Mr. Sisler stated that they have completed the inventory list, and it will be sent to the Division of Water tomorrow.

iii. Sidewalks –

Joe Sisler, Sisler-Maggard Engineering, LLC, gave an update on the Sidewalk project. Mr. Sisler stated the application for the Sidewalk project has been sent to Frankfort where it is expected to be approved and returned to the City of Taylorsville.

Item #10 – Old Business

a. Contract for Cleaning Services

Steve Biven, City Clerk, addressed the Commission regarding the contract for cleaning services. The contract is up for renewal. Mr. Biven suggested that the Commission extend the contract for six months.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to extend the contract for cleaning services to June 30, 2025. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

b. CDBG U of L Urgent Care –

Steve Biven, City Clerk, addressed the Commission regarding the beginning of the U of L Urgent Care project. Mr. Biven stated that the City of Taylorsville will receive grant funds to pay the contractors in the amount of \$206,143. They will also receive \$22,500 to be paid to KIPDA for administration fees.

Item #11 – Taylorsville Park Agreement

Mayor Spencer stated that she would like to move forward to sign the Taylorsville Park Agreement. Mayor Spencer stated that the City of Taylorsville is not under any financial obligation by signing the agreement. Robert Myles, City Attorney, agreed that the City of Taylorsville isn't under financial obligation by signing the agreement.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to sign the Resolution for Taylorville Park as long as the City of Taylorsville has no financial obligation.

Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Spears and seconded by Mayor Spencer to nominate Roy Bell to replace Dan Burke on the Taylorsville Park Committee. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Item #12 – New Business

i. Financial Report –

- a. Stacey Crenshaw, Front Office Lead, gave a financial update report to the Commission for the front office.
- b. Steve Biven, City Clerk, addressed the new Commission regarding orientation for new Commissioners.

ii. Utility – Harold Compton, Public Works Director

- a. Harold Compton, Public Works Director, addressed the Commission with the December report.
- b. Harold Compton, Public Works Director, addressed the Commission with a need to replace two trucks that are over 200,000 miles. Mr. Compton would like to put a bid out for two trucks.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Spears to place a bid for two used trucks with warranties, following the procurement schedule. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

- c. Harold Compton, Public Works Director, addressed the Commission regarding the problems that occurred with the salt plows and spreaders during the ice and snowstorm. Mr. Compton has a snowplow that needs repair. Mr. Compton stated that he had Commission approval to purchase a salt spreader a couple of years ago but hasn't purchased it yet. Mr. Compton stated that he is going to order three more loads of salt.

Steve Biven, City Clerk, stated that there is a chance that the City of Taylorsville can get reimbursed for the costs incurred during the January ice storm. Mayor Spencer would like Commission approval for her to sign the Declaration of the State of Emergency.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hilbert and seconded by Commissioner Bentley to approve Mayor Spencer signing the Declaration of the State of Emergency due to the January 2025 ice storm. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

- d. Harold Compton, Public Works Director, addressed the Commission with a quote to purchase a new generator for the Annex building. Mr. Compton stated that he received a quote of \$34,000 to purchase the new generator. Mr. Compton stated that the Commission will need to decide where they would like to place the new generator.

ii. Police – Brian Sumner, Police Chief

- a. Brian Sumner, Police Chief, addressed the Commission with the December report. There were 28 citations, 137 complaints, 99 school visits, 0 DUIs, 223 business checks, and 23 county runs that were mostly backups.
- b. Brian Sumner, Police Chief, addressed the Commission regarding the need to surplus the Dodge Durango. Chief Sumner will be sending the vehicle to David Jewell's auction.
- c. Brian Sumner, Police Chief, addressed the Commission regarding the BACKUPS program. Chief Sumner stated that he received approval to join the program.
- d. Nuisance Abatement – Steve Fowler
Steve Fowler, Citation Officer, addressed the Commission with the December report. Mr. Fowler informed the new Commissioners what his job responsibilities are.

Item #13 – Legal

- a. Robert Myles, City Attorney, addressed the Commission regarding Ethics training. Attorney Myles stated that KLC is available to conduct training for the Commission and staff as well as updating the ethics ordinance.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Bentley to approve KLC ethics training for the Commission and staff, and updating the ethics ordinance. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

- b. Steve Biven, City Clerk, addressed the Commission regarding the need for the Commission to direct Robert Myles, City Attorney, to draw up a Municipal Order for the dedication of New Orleans Court and Nashville Court.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to direct Robert Myles, City Attorney, to draw up a Municipal Order for the dedication of New Orleans Court and Nashville Court. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

- c. Steve Biven, City Clerk, addressed the Commission regarding the need for the Commission to decide what departments they would be over.

Motion was made by Commissioner Spears to assign Commissioner Spears over the Water Department, Commissioner Hilbert over the Office, Commissioner Bentley over the Street Department, and Commissioner Bell over the Sewer Department. Motion died for a lack of a second.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Bentley to assign Commissioner Bell over the Water Department, Commissioner Hilbert over the Office, Commissioner Bentley over the Street Department, and Commissioner Spears over the Sewer Department. Mayor Spencer, Commissioner Hilbert, Commissioner Bell, and Commissioner Bentley voted in Favor. Commissioner Spears opposed. Motion carried with a vote of 4-1.

- d. Robert Myles, City Attorney, requested the Commissioner establish a meeting time and date.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to hold Commission meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday at 5:00 pm. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

- e. Robert Myles, City Attorney, requested that the Commission appoint a Mayor Pro Tem.

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Bell to appoint Commissioner Hilbert to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor Spencer, Commissioner Hilbert, Commissioner Bell, and Commissioner Bentley voted in Favor. Commissioner Spears opposed. Motion carried with a vote of 4-1.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #14 - 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: Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

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.

Deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property by a public agency; when publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property.

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

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Item #15

Motion was made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to return to Open Session. Motion carried 5-0.

Item #16

Motion made by Commissioner Hilbert and seconded by Mayor Spencer to approve the annual employment agreement with Officer O'Toole. Motion carried 5-0.

Item #17

Motion made by Mayor Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hilbert to advertise for the position of Co-Treasurer/Accounts Payable. Motion carried 5-0.

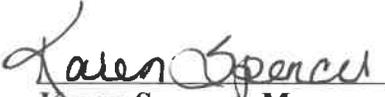
Item #18

Motion made by Commissioner Hilbert and seconded by Mayor Spencer to advertise for the position of Comptroller. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURN METTING

Item #19

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hilbert and seconded by Mayor Spencer to adjourn meeting.
Motion carried 5-0.**


Karen Spencer, Mayor


Stephen A. Biven, City Clerk