

**CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE
REGULAR CITY MEETING MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION ROOM
MAY 5, 2009 7:00 PM**

Present: Mayor Eden, Commissioners Cummins, McDowell, Vowels, and Wise. City Attorney Hays was in attendance as legal council, City Administrator Eaton, Police Chief Chappell, Public Works Director Romine, and Office Assistant Misner. Guests: Walt Reichert/Sentinel News, Verman Winburn, Gary Walls, Kevin Crittenden, Butch Kinsella, Randy Brown, Michael Hesse, and Mr. Perkins.

Absent: City Clerk Batliner.

Mayor Eden called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Pledge.

Mayor Eden presented the minutes from April 15, 2009 regular meeting for approval and everyone was furnished a copy. **Commissioner Wise made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Cummins seconded.** Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Eden presented the minutes from the April 30, 2009 Public Hearing meeting for approval and everyone was furnished a copy. **Commissioner Wise made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Vowels seconded.** Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Eden presented Ordinance # 2009-004 pertaining to the 2009-2010 budget for second reading and adoption and everyone was furnished a copy. City Administrator recapped Ordinance #2009-004. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept Ordinance #2009-004 pertaining to the 2009-2010 budget for second reading and adoption. Commissioner Cummins seconded.** A roll call is as follows:

Commissioner Cummins-Yes

Commissioner Vowels-Yes

Commissioner McDowell-Yes

Commissioner Wise-Yes

Mayor Eden-Yes

Ordinance #2009-004 will become effective upon publication of the Sentinel News.

Mayor Eden presented Ordinance #2009-005 pertaining to Adult Entertainment for first reading and everyone was furnished a copy. City Attorney read Ordinance #2009-005 pertaining to Adult Entertainment. **Commissioner Wise made the motion to accept first reading. Commissioner Vowels seconded.** Ordinance #2009-005 will be placed on the May 20, 2009 agenda for second reading and possible adoption.

Mayor Eden presented bids for the Whitney Young Project and everyone was furnished a copy. Mayor Eden advised out of the 15 bids received W.H.F. Inc. was the lowest bidder at \$200,548.00. **Commissioner Vowels made the motion to accept the bid with W.H. F. Inc., in the amount of**

\$200,548.00 for the Whitney Young project and to authorize Mayor Eden to sign contracts.
Commissioner Wise seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Eden recognized Mr. Perkins with Station Pointe. Mr. Perkins advised the purpose for being here was to revisit the City Commission and asked about lowering the speed limit signs from 25mph to 15mph. Chief Chappell advised Mr. Perkins that he will have the police officers monitor the roads at different times for a week or so. Mr. Perkins stated that he was very pleased with the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Eden recognized Gary Walls from the Human Rights Commission. Mr. Walls advised the purpose for being here was to first introduce the Human Rights Commission Members to the Mayor and City Commissioners.

- Members listed: Gary Walls, Chair; Verman Winburn, Vice Chair; Darlene Brown, Secretary; Randy Brown, Erik Butler, Mary Crawford, Kevin Crittenden, Ann Morris, Butch Kinsella, and Hilda Plante.
- Mr. Walls advised the objective of the Human Rights Commission was to inform, educate and offer assistance in resolving inquiries of discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodation, as it relates to protected classes of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age and family status.
- Mr. Walls requested the City Commission to review an Ordinance pertaining to the Joint Human Rights Commission.

Mayor Eden recognized the Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner Wise recapped the Sewer Comprehensive Ordinance. City Administrator Eaton advised the Sewer Comprehensive Ordinance was complete with minor changes to be added. Changes include:
Sewer Tap-on fees -\$1500.00 to \$2000.00.
Sewer Capacity fees-\$1500.00 to 2000.00
Page 22 -20% to 40% outside the City limits.
Page 72- \$25.00 to \$30.00 on return checks.
Change the 10% penalties on the sewer bills to 20%.

Commissioner McDowell had nothing at this time.

Commissioner Cummins had nothing at this time.

Commissioner Vowels advised the t-ball/softball registration would be extended until Saturday May 9, 2009, spring soccer was almost over. Commissioner Vowels advised that pictures for the website will be taken.

Mayor Eden recognized the City Attorney's Report: City Attorney Hays had nothing at this time.

Mayor Eden recognized the City Administrator's Report: City Administrator Eaton advised the Mayor and Commissioners that Simpsonville Elementary will hold a 20 year celebration on May 29, 2009 at 1:00 and he needed to RSVP by May 15.

Mayor Eden recognized the Police Department's Report: Police Chief Chappell advised the Commissioners that he has been working on grants.

Mayor Eden recognized the Parks Department's Report: Mayor Eden advised he had spoke with Denise Miller and would like to name the new parks shelter after Ann Purnell. The City Commission agreed.

Mayor Eden recognized the City Clerk's Report: Absent.

Mayor Eden asked the City Commission to review the landscape work that Tapp had done this past week.

City Administrator Eaton advised the Commission there will be a Triple S Planning and Zoning Public Hearing Meeting May 19, at 6:30 at the Stratton Center.

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Wise seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting concluded approximately 7:36 pm.

Dennise Misner/Office Assist.

Steve Eden/Mayor