

MINUTES

Regular Meeting
City Hall Council Chamber

January 8, 2018
Monday, 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor O. Stanhope Anthony III, presiding; Council Members David W. White, David Causby, Violet Arth Dukes, and Ben Kittrell; City Manager Rick Howell, City Attorney Robert W. (Bob) Yelton, City Clerk Bernadette A. Parduski, Director of Finance Justin S. Merritt, MPA, Director of Human Resources Deborah C. (Deb) Jolly, Director of Energy Services Julie R. McMurry, Electric Superintendent Jeff Freeman, Director of Water Resources David W. Hux, Police Chief Jeffrey H. (Jeff) Ledford, Fire Chief William P. Hunt, MPA, EFO, Assistant Fire Chief – Logistics and Enforcement Services Todd McMurry, Director of Public Works Daniel C. (Danny) Darst, Jr., Director of Parks and Recreation Charlie Holtzclaw, and Director of Planning and Development Services Department Walter (Walt) Scharer, AICP

Absent: Council Members Eric B. Hendrick and Dicky Amaya

Mayor Anthony called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed all who were in attendance. The Mayor gave the invocation and Mr. Kittrell led the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

A. Approval of agenda:

- 1) Motion to adopt the proposed agenda

ACTION TAKEN: Upon a motion made by Mr. White, City Council voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

B. Special Presentation:

- 1) Recognition of Geoffrey Lynn Heffner on the occasion of his retirement from employment with the City of Shelby: Resolution No. 80-2017

Mayor Anthony called upon Geoffrey (Geo) Lynn Heffner. Mr. Heffner recognized his wife, Robin, in attendance. The Mayor formally read and presented framed Resolution No. 80-2017 to Mr. Heffner. He then presented the key to the City, a City lapel pin, and plaque to him in honor of and with heartfelt appreciation for 28 years of dedicated service to the City of Shelby in the Electric Department.

Humbled by the recognition, Mr. Heffner expressed his appreciation to all, acknowledging members of the City's Electric Department who were present.

C. Consent Agenda:

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Anthony presented the consent agenda. Mr. White made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda and following items were unanimously approved:

- 1) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 18, 2017
- 2) Approval of a resolution stating the intent of the City of Shelby to annex satellite property owned by the City of Shelby: Resolution No. 1-2018
- 3) Adoption of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 8: Ordinance No. 1-2018
- 4) Adoption of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 9: Ordinance No. 2-2018

END CONSENT AGENDA

D. Unfinished Business:

- 1) Consideration of appointments to City advisory boards and commissions:
 - a. Keep Shelby Beautiful (KSB) Commission

Mrs. Parduski reported there are three vacancies for new terms concluding January 2020.

There are also seven incumbents who wish to continue their service with this commission as follows:

1. Modestenia Bush
2. Charles Hamrick
3. Don Costner
4. Patrick McMurry
5. Patti Ellis McMurry
6. Dana Scoggin
7. Wiley Smith

There are five applications on file in the Clerk's Office as follows:

1. Richard (Dick) Baker, Jr.
2. Linda Bridges
3. Stevie Brooks
4. Chris Carter
5. Laurie Hendrick

Mr. White nominated Linda Bridges, Stevie Brooks, and Laurie Hendrick for appointment.

ACTION TAKEN: Upon a motion by Mr. Causby, City Council voted unanimously to close the nominations and accept the nominees by acclamation.

Mr. White nominated incumbents, Modestenia Bush (2020), Charles Hamrick (2020), Don Costner (2021), Patrick McMurry (2021), Patti Ellis McMurry (2021), Dana Scoggin (2021), and Wiley Smith (2021), for reappointment to terms concluding January 2020 and January 2021, respectively.

ACTION TAKEN: Upon a motion by Mr. White, City Council voted unanimously to close the nominations and accept the nominees by acclamation.

- 2) **Consideration of a resolution of award for the First Broad Wastewater Treatment Plant – Influent and Preliminary Treatment Improvements award to Wharton-Smith, Inc.: Resolution No. 2-2018**

Mr. Howell introduced Resolution No. 2-2018 for Council’s consideration. He reminded Council project budget ordinances were previously approved in January and March 2017, ultimately allocating funds for construction of the project entitled, First Broad River Wastewater Treatment Plant Influent and Preliminary Treatment Upgrade Project, based on engineering estimates. Bids were subsequently solicited from qualified contractors in December 2017. HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas completed the canvassing of the five bids that were received. Based on their evaluation, HDR Engineering recommended the award of a contract for construction of the First Broad River Wastewater Treatment Plant Influent and Preliminary Treatment Upgrade Project to Wharton-Smith, Inc. of Charlotte, North Carolina in the amount of \$5,712,094.00.

Mr. Howell also recommended proceeding with construction of the project, as proposed, and requested Council authorize the award of the construction contract to Wharton-Smith, Inc. He added construction is anticipated to begin in February 2018 and be completed by February 2019.

ACTION TAKEN: Upon a motion made by Mr. Kittrell, City Council voted unanimously to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2-2018 entitled, “A RESOLUTION OF AWARD FOR THE FIRST BROAD WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT – INFLUENT AND PRELIMINARY TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS AWARD TO WHARTON-SMITH, INC.”

E. New Business: None

F. City Manager’s Report:

1) Mr. Howell discussed topics for the City Council retreat scheduled for January 20, 2018 as follows:

- Implementation of the City’s Pay Plan
- Moving forward with Shell Building No. 3 in partnership with Cleveland County
- Rail-Trail negotiation

Mr. Howell also mentioned the topics proposed by Mrs. Arth Dukes as follows:

- Traffic calming policy
- Raising minimum housing standards
- Making Shelby more bike friendly
- Establishing a youth council
- Revitalizing neighborhood parks
- Public education regarding quasi-judicial hearings

With regard to Chair Eddie Holbrook’s request for the City’s support of the American Legion World Series (ALWS) events planned for Uptown Shelby in August 2018, Mr. Howell stated his response letter will include the guidelines to complete the Special Event Permit Application and the application for a travel and tourism grant in advance of the City’s annual budget process.

Council discussed and requested an overview and update of current Citywide projects as well as North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) projects for inclusion at their retreat.

G. Council Announcements and Remarks:

1) Mayor Anthony made the following announcements:

- Cleveland County NAACP's annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day March and Program from the Cleveland County Law Enforcement Center to Malcolm Brown Auditorium at Shelby High School will be held on January 15, 2018 beginning at 10:00 a.m.
 - Shelby Police Department's Partnership for Change meeting will be held on January 18, 2018 at 11:30 a.m., Don Gibson Theatre
 - The spring presentation of the Shelby Police Department's Citizens Police Academy will welcome class members on January 25, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., 130 West Warren Street
- 2) Mr. Kittrell announced the Isothermal Planning and Development Commission is hosting a Region C Legislative Brunch on January 22, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., Tryon International Equestrian Center.
- 3) Mrs. Arth Dukes announced the Isothermal Regional Bicycle Plan Open House Event in Cleveland County will be held on January 11, 2018 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Dover Foundation YMCA, 411 Cherryville Road in Shelby.

H. Adjournment:

- 1) Motion to adjourn

ACTION TAKEN: Upon a motion made by Mr. Kittrell, City Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette A. Parduski, NCCMC, MMC
City Clerk

O. Stanhope Anthony III
Mayor

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