

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF SHIVELY HELD IN THE  
NEWMAN MEMORIAL BUILDING, 3920 DIXIE HIGHWAY  
ON MONDAY, MAY 15, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Conner.

Opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Conner	present		
Ms. Dummitt	absent	Ms. Mayes	present
Mr. McDonald	present	Mr. Smith	present
Mr. Vance	present	Mr. Wathen	present

Motion made by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. McDonald to approve the minutes from the last meeting as received. All ayes with the exception of Ms. Dummitt who was absent.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ms. Dummitt	absent	Ms. Mayes	yes
Mr. McDonald	yes	Mr. Smith	yes
Mr. Vance	yes	Mr. Wathen	yes

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Ms. Dummitt, absent.

Ms. Mayes, no report.

Mr. McDonald, no report.

Mr. Smith, reported the committee appointed to study the Grandview Drive drainage project has decided the bids were too high. He then made a motion to reject all bids and open competitive negotiations with each bidding contractor, seconded by Mr. McDonald. All ayes with exception of Ms. Dummitt who was absent.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ms. Dummitt	absent	Ms. Mayes	yes
Mr. McDonald	yes	Mr. Smith	yes
Mr. Vance	yes	Mr. Wathen	yes

Mr. Vance, no report.

Mr. Wathen, no report.

Walt Cato, City Attorney asked Mr. Smith if his motion was to reject bids received and was it to do anything else like attempt to continue to negotiate and move on to competitive negotiations.

Mr. Smith said yes.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mitzi Kasitz, City Clerk read a thank you letter dated April 20, 2006 from AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Program thanking the City Hall Staff for their support in helping them assist over 300 clients with their taxes. Special note of thanks to Paul Carrico for having the room set up and the cleanliness of the hall.

Chief Miller then made the following report: During Derby weekend, we issued 40 citations with 16 arrests and we made 211 runs during Derby weekend. There were some instances where we had some individuals attempting to cruise the area and due to the efforts of our officers being virtually everywhere in the City - we had 16 officers at one time in various locations throughout the City which made the cruisers disperse. Because of their efforts and the efforts from the other departments, it was a successful weekend. No one got hurt and no one was killed.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

### **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. Dick Miller, 2021 Kendall Lane expressed concerns about terrorism and campaigning in Shively especially last Saturday when there were some Republicans out campaigning for the present administration – not sure if they should have been doing that. Also, Herb Travis wanted me to let you all know the reason he is not here tonight is because he was bit by a spider. The STAR program is still on-going.

Mr. Ricardo Aguayo, 3306 Wessel Road said he noticed in the recent newsletter there was an article regarding drainage and since I live in the Ralph Avenue area, it looks like it will be a while longer since the bids were rejected and asked when will it actually begin?

Mr. Smith said the drainage project we were talking about earlier was for Grandview Drive not Ralph Avenue.

Mr. McDonald said they are two separate things.

Mayor Conner said the City is not doing the drainage work on Ralph Avenue because that is not our road. Louisville Metro is taking care of that and work should begin within three to four weeks and they have already started marking things off so it looks like they are in the process. The Grandview Drive project is something separate from this.

Mr. Aguayo also said there are drainage ditches in Shively that are not being taken care of and the newsletter also said an additional code enforcement officer has been appointed and he wants to know at what cost this is and why because the City hasn't grown and will this cost taxpayer's more money or could that money be used for something else?

Mayor Conner said if you have been here and seen the results already, I would think you would think his salary is worth it.

Mr. Aguayo asked how many code enforcement officers do we have?

Mayor Conner said we have one and the assistant is just from April to September so he is not year round.

Mr. Aguayo also asked about the cost of the signs the Works Department will be putting out and who will be picking them up afterwards.

Mayor Conner said we're going to put them out and pick them up and the cost of them is under \$4.00 per sign so we're hoping this helps.

Mr. Aguayo also said there are properties with violations because of tall grass on Fern Lea Road and Peaslee Road and he knows some council members live on those streets and they drive past them. Is there anything else other than code enforcement and the council members that can be done in the community that could provide support also?

Mayor Conner said we tell them to call City Hall with the address and the complaint. Code enforcement also gets calls from all over when they're out and about and they issue violations. We do get lots of calls.

Mr. Aguayo said how does the complaint get posted does it go on the door so people can see it and know that the City did something about it?

Mayor Conner said we first try to make a personal contact and if we can't make contact then, we will issue them a notice and then we go back and check to make sure it has been corrected and if it has not then we cite them and they have to go before the code enforcement board so there is a process to go through. My goal in adding another code enforcement officer is for him to see it so that you would not have to call and tell it. I want them to be out looking.

Mr. Aguayo asked do you think gas will be an issue and more people will let their grass get real high?

Mayor Conner said there's a limit to how tall it can be.

Mayor Conner also said that as far as tomorrow, we should all remember that regardless of the outcome we still have a city to run so please remember that. My best to all.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. McDonald to adjourn the meeting.

All in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed, no. Ayes have it, so ordered. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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**MAYOR**

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**CITY CLERK**