

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF SHIVELY HELD IN THE  
NEWMAN MEMORIAL BUILDING, 3920 DIXIE HIGHWAY  
ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2008**

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. Burton	absent	Ms. Mayes	present
Mr. McDonald	present	Mr. Miller	present
Ms. Renn	present	Mr. Wathen	present

Motion made by Mr. McDonald, second by Ms. Mayes to approve the minutes from the last meeting as received.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ms. Burton	absent	Ms. Mayes	yes
Mr. McDonald	yes	Mr. Miller	yes
Ms. Renn	yes	Mr. Wathen	yes

**COMMITEE REPORTS:**

**Ms. Burton**, absent.

**Ms. Mayes**, reported the “Christmas House Decorating” contest judging will be tonight. We have eight entries so far.

**Mr. McDonald**, made a motion on his discretionary fund requesting \$200.00 to go to Shively Festival Culinary Cook-Off and \$300.00 to go to Heritage Furniture Company, second by Mr. Wathen.

**Mr. Miller**, reported he will vote no on the purchase of delinquent taxes.

**Ms. Renn**, no report.

**Mr. Wathen**, thanked the City Clerk for a great employee Christmas luncheon. The food was wonderful and you did a good job.

Ms. Mayes also thanked her for the Christmas decorations.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mitzi Kasitz, City Clerk read an award presented to the City of Shively from Butler High School’s 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Trees. The City won for “Most Traditional Tree.”

Mitzi Kasitz, City Clerk also read a Christmas card from Ralph & Sylvia Lowry thanking the Shively Police for their service to the community.

Mitzi Kasitz, City Clerk also read a letter dated December 15, 2008 from Office Steve L. Hopper tendering his resignation. He will be retiring January 1, 2009. He also thanked Chief Miller for

everything he has done for him. Motion to accept with regrets by Mr. McDonald, second by Mr. Wathen.

Mitzi Kasitz, City Clerk then read an email dated December 10, 2008 from Detective Kenny Nauert, Louisville Metro Police Second Division thanking Officer Kuzma and the other Shively officer's who assisted them in a recent burglary arrest.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Mayor Conner said this municipal order has already been read once and it is not necessary to read it again unless the council wants to.

M.O. No. 35, Series 2008 – Purchasing Delinquent Taxes by Woodford Finance, LLC. Introduced by Mr. Wathen. Motion by Ms. Mayes, second by Ms. Renn.

Mr. Miller said he wants it known that he doesn't approve of people not paying their taxes at all so I am not in favor of this. Until recently, I was in favor of it but with all the problems with foreclosures I think we should take another look at it.

Mayor Conner said we look at collecting \$186,000 from this.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ms. Burton	absent	Ms. Mayes	yes
Mr. McDonald	yes	Mr. Miller	no
Ms. Renn	yes	Mr. Wathen	yes

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

### **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:**

**Mr. David Wright, 2300 Rausch Dr** complained about the Courier-Journal throwing circulars in driveways because it causes littering. If there is a law on the books, can the City enforce it or get a law on the books to enforce this?

Mr. McDonald said this has been a thorn in his side for a year now and he actually caught a guy doing it and told him to stop. The City has contacted the Courier-Journal and their response was if they don't want it, have them call us. In order to enforce it, the police have to see them doing it.

Mr. Wright said my neighbors and myself could chip in and pay overtime for the police officer to watch because they are on my street between 4:00-7:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Can we get an officer to watch during that time?

Mr. McDonald said now that might be a thought.

Mr. Walt Cato, City Attorney stated if you or your neighbors see the person doing this and can identify them; you can go to Jefferson District Court Clerk at the Hall of Justice and file a complaint for littering. He also asked the City Clerk to provide him with a copy of the Shively Nuisance Ordinance.

Mr. Miller said you might want to become a block watch captain on your street.

**Mr. Tony Helms** expressed an interest in running the Alex Farnsley Golf Course. The problem is the members are running the golf course the way the members want to. The greens are in horrible shape and that is a big reason why people don't play golf there. The golf course has been kept open mainly for the members and not the public and I would like to see more kids playing there. I met with the Mayor and she suggested that I bring this to the council. If you have any questions or concerns you can contact me.

Mr. Miller asked would you be willing to draw up a plan for us?

Mr. Helms said he would try his best.

Ms. Mayes asked him to draw up a plan and let us know how you want to go about it and let us review it.

Mayor Conner asked how soon would you or anybody else need to know something in order to get the greens in shape for the spring?

Mr. Helms said that type seed has to be sown in the summer but the driving range should be fine for spring.

Mayor Conner asked if he can give the City a brief plan in writing by January 5, 2009 for the next city council meeting.

Mr. Helms said yes I can.

Mr. Miller offered to give the golf course the remainder of his contingency fund.

Mayor Conner said we have some guests with us tonight then asked Mr. Mark Filburn from the KY League of Cities to come forward.

Mr. Filburn, KY League of Cities said my job is to prepare loss control for police departments. Our department goes to cities and makes recommendations to the Chiefs to lower liabilities and make the officer's safe. This program is based on "Score Card 37 Best Practices" and the Shively Police Department scored 100% and I'm here to present the Chief with an award.

Major Kevin Higdon, Shively Police Department presented Detectives Chris Ashby and Josh Myers with the “Law Enforcement Office Investigator” award. Congratulations and job well done.

Mayor Conner asked Chief Miller to introduce them for the record and he did. He also said these two men are the first one’s from Shively to achieve these goals.

Detective Myers said this is such an honor and is something both of us wanted to do and it will help us do our job a little better.

Detective Ashby concurred with his partner and also said he would encourage all the officers to do this it will give them something to look forward to in achieving their goals.

Ms. Mayes then announced the Shively Democratic Club is having a meeting this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Dixie Post and the speaker will be Mr. John Yarmuth.

Mayor Conner then gave a special thank you to Mr. McDonald and Mr. Miller whose last meeting is tonight because they will be leaving the council. She appreciates all their time, service and dedication and wishes them well. Also said we have ordered pavers to be placed around the fountain with your names and dates of service on them.

**ADJOURN:**

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

All in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed, no. Ayes have it, so ordered. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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**MAYOR**

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**CITY CLERK**