

**The Village of Simpson  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
October 21, 2023  
6:00 P.M.**

The Village of Simpson held a Regular Council Meeting at 6:00 P.M. in the Village Hall, 2768 Thompson Street, Simpson, NC.

**WELCOME**

Mayor Richard Zeck welcomed everyone.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Richard Zeck called the meeting to order

**ROLL CALL**

Susan Ellsworth, Village Clerk/Finance Officer conducted the Roll Call and stated there was a quorum.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT**

Richard Zeck, Mayor  
Brenda Hawkins, Councilwoman  
Dianne Thomas, Mayor Pro-Tem  
James Vincent, Councilman

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Susan Ellsworth, Finance Officer/Clerk  
Citizens

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins provided prayer.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MINUTES**

Mayor Richard Zeck asked the council if they had anything to add or change to the agenda. Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas, made the motion to approve the agenda and Councilman James Vincent seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins made the motion to approve the September 2024 council minutes and Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

**PUBLIC ADDRESSES TO THE COUNCIL:**

No comments

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

- Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins spoke briefly thanking everyone for attending, mentioned volunteer need at Red Cross and senior center, daylight saving change, Veteran Day and birthdays.
- Councilman Jamie Vincent spoke briefly thanking everyone for coming out, mentioned cooler day and holidays ahead.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas spoke briefly thanking everyone for coming to the meeting, mentioned the year is almost over and pleased with the progress in the village.

### **ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

Attorney Keen Lassiter was not in attendance due to other commitments

### **MAYOR REPORTS:**

Mayor Richard Zeck spoke briefly on being financially secure, cameras have been installed at the park and an upcoming meeting with Mid East, Ron Harrell and Newbold to discuss industrial park zoning. A dumpster will be at the village hall Nov 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> for Simpson residents' use.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

- Proclamation for Supporting Operation Green Light
- Change December Council meeting from December 16<sup>th</sup> to December 9<sup>th</sup>
- Update fees charged by Simpson

### **ITEMS FOR MOTION:**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas to approve the Proclamation for Supporting Operation Green Light. Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.


A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas to approve changing the December council meeting from December 16<sup>th</sup> to December 9<sup>th</sup>. Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Councilman James Vincent to approve the updated fees being charged by Simpson. Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.


### **ADJOURNMENT**

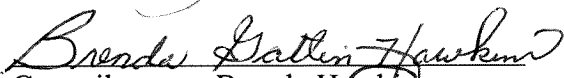
A motion was made by Councilman James Vincent to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas. All voted "Aye", the motion carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.


Respectfully submitted,


  
Susan Ellsworth, Village Clerk/Finance Officer

Approved On 11-18-24  
Date

  
Mayor Richard Zeck

  
Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins

  
Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas

  
Councilman James Vincent