

**The Village of Simpson
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2022
7:00 P.M.**

The Village of Simpson held a Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 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 is a quorum.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Richard Zeck, Mayor
Brenda Hawkins, Councilwoman
Dianne Thomas, Mayor Pro-Tem
Mary Moye, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT

Susan Ellsworth, Finance Officer
Keen Lassiter, Village of Simpson Attorney
Citizens

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins provided prayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MARCH 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 Councilwoman Mary Moye seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried. Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins made the motion to approve the March minutes and Mayor Pro Tem Dianne Thomas seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES TO THE COUNCIL:

No comment

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins spoke briefly thanking everyone for attending, wished Happy Birthdays and Happy Mother's Day, Covid is on the raise again, Michael Powell and Al Mars went around and picked up a few items in the village for Spring Clean Up

Day, Porter and Wooten Street signs need attention, residents were very happy with the street paving. Resident Sandy Porter Garrett passed away.

- Councilwoman Mary Moye spoke briefly thanking everyone for coming out, North Carolina Agricultural program collected 22/23 hundred pounds of chemicals.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas spoke briefly thanking everyone for coming to the meeting, residents are exciting with all the progress being done in the village, Vidant Medical is changing their name to ECU Health in the near future.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Attorney Keen Lassiter had no report.

MAYOR REPORTS:

Mayor Richard Zeck spoke briefly

- Ethics class email went out to everyone to attend on May 26th
- Roads will be finished by Thursday; striping of parking lot, cleanup of sides will be completed after. Area by the Post Office will be repaired.
- Ditches right of way is to the middle of the ditch, which means the home owner is responsible for the other half of the ditch. Ditches will be looked at while doing the roads, repairs will be addressed.
- Public Budget discussion will be at the May Council meeting.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Appoint a council member to represent Simpson on Pitt County Human Relations Committee.
- Amending Simpson Zoning Ordinance Article X, Section 10.01 – Appointment and Terms of Boards of Adjustment Members to Simpson Council members.

ITEMS FOR MOTION:

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Dianne Thomas to appoint Mary Moye to Pitt County Human Relations Committee. Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins seconded the motion. All voted “Aye”, the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Dianne Thomas to amend Simpson Zoning Ordinance Article X, Section 10.01 – Appointment and Terms of Boards of Adjustment Members to Simpson Council members. Councilwoman Mary Moye seconded the motion. All voted “Aye”, the motion was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dianne Thomas. All voted “Aye”, the motion carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:43pm

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Ellsworth
Susan Ellsworth, Village Clerk/Finance Officer

Approved On 5-16-22
Date

R. Zeck
Mayor Richard Zeck

Brenda Hallie Hawkins
Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins

Dianne Thomas
Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas

Mary S. Meye
Councilwoman Mary Meye