

**The Village of Simpson
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
June 20, 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
Mary Moyer, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT

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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins provided prayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MAY 16, 2022 PUBLIC HEARING AND MAY COUNCIL MINUTES

Mayor Richard Zeck asked the council if they had anything to add or change to the agenda. Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins made the motion to approve the agenda and Councilwoman Mary Moyer seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried. Councilwoman Mary Moyer made the motion to approve the May 16, 2022 Public Hearing minutes and the May Council minutes. Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES TO THE COUNCIL:

No public in attendance

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins spoke briefly thanking everyone for attending, wishing belated Happy Father's Day, birthdays June 20st- August 14th, inquired about getting some signs for the park (no smoking and park reserved), would like to see if lines or

cement bumpers could be placed at the Post Office. Richard Kruse from the Antique Shop passed, Leroy James daughter passed.

- Councilwoman Mary Moye spoke briefly thanking everyone for coming out, pharmacy give away on June 25th items can be ordered online or just show up, stated she has not heard from the Human Relations Committee. Mayor stated information was received today that there will not be a June, July, or August meeting. DPS is hiring on June 21th through Pitt County NC Work Career Center.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas sent a text at 7:14pm stating she is out of town with a family emergency.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Attorney Keen Lassiter stated that he and Susan over the past month have worked on drafting a special use permit for the village. The Council has been appointed as the Board of Adjustment, if there is a special use request the board of adjustment will make the decision to allow or not. Keen will review the steps with the members when the first one is submitted. Council members may not speak to the Applicate prior to the hearing.

MAYOR REPORTS:

Mayor Richard Zeck spoke briefly

- Simpson Land Use Plan in packet, has not been updated since 2008, Mid East has worked on this, bringing things up to date for 2022, will be reviewed and approved at the August Council meeting.
- Accident on Millbrook is being worked on by Susan, State Police and insurance company.
- A reminder will be put on Facebook to remind residents that trash, recycle and yard waste goes by the side of the road only the night before pick up, containers need to be removed from side of road after pick up.
- Burning season, technically in a drought, no open burning allowed. Yard waste cannot legally be burned.
- New roof going on before the end of June.
- Sign by the hairdresser is too close to the road. She needs to be informed before NCDOT comes by and takes it down.
- Notices have gone out about mowing, the sides of railroad tracks have been taken care, empty lots will be taken care of soon.
- Demolition process for the house on Thompson will be started. There is an active condemnation in place. Another house on the corner of Hardee and Tucker will be addressed as well.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Final FY 2022-2023 Village of Simpson Budget review, not a lot of changes between this year and last year, a few small increases in revenues, nothing changed since the public hearing.
- Proclamation from the Village to Phil Crumb and Tripp Brothers thanking them for improving our community.

ITEMS FOR MOTION:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins to approve FY 2022-2023 Village of Simpson Budget. Councilwoman Mary Moye seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

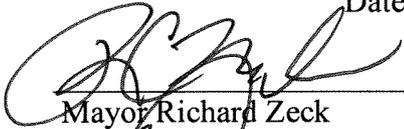
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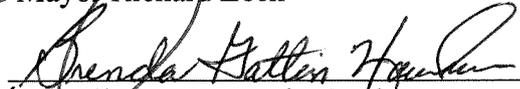
A motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Mary Moye. All voted "Aye", the motion carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

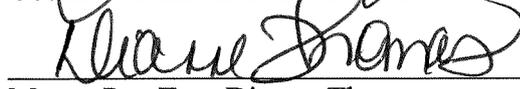
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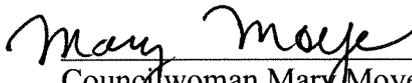

Susan Ellsworth, Village Clerk/Finance Officer

Approved On 8-15-22
Date


Mayor Richard Zeck


Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins


Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas


Councilwoman Mary Moye