

**The Village of Simpson
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
May 16, 2022
7:04 P.M.**

The Village of Simpson held a Regular Council Meeting at 7:04 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

Mayor Rich Zeck provided prayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND APRIL 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 April minutes and Mayor Pro Tem Dianne Thomas seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES TO THE COUNCIL:

Hugh Mills asked about a ball from the ballfield doing damage to vehicle, would the Village be responsible. Attorney Keen stated that if it is not a Village sanctioned event, the Village would not be responsible. Mayor Zeck stated new signs will be posted stating Village is not responsible for damage.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins spoke briefly thanking everyone for attending, Happy May 16 to June 20 birthdays, Memorial Day remembrance, Covid shot clinic went well, death of a resident's son, at the beginning of the week, an absentee voting ballot that was mailed in October but didn't arrive here until last month, if one doesn't receive the ballot just go and vote the day of the election.
- Councilwoman Mary Moyer spoke briefly thanking everyone for coming out, pleased with streets, Vidant a private/non-profit agency that is changing their name to ECU Health.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas spoke briefly thanking everyone for coming to the meeting, Vidant COVID clinics are still working, ECU Health has formally changed from Vidant, so proud of the progress in the village.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Attorney Keen Lassiter had no report.

MAYOR REPORTS:

Mayor Richard Zeck spoke briefly

- Blue Haven ground breaking will be Friday May 21st at 11AM.
- Conflict of Interest need to be signed and turned into the office
- The roads took a little more work than planned, some needing to be leveled due to driveways lower than the road, lots of over growth on the road.
- The walking trail and parking area should be completed by June 1st
- Basketball poles are still in the process to be completed
- Budget for next year may be challenging due to inflation, there is money set aside for a rainy day, which may be next year.
- Village of Simpson Community Day will be held October 1, 2022

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Correction of Council meeting August 21, 2022 should be August 15, 2022

FY 2022-2023 Village of Simpson Budget

2022 Community Day

ITEMS FOR MOTION:

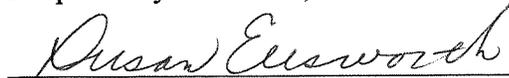
A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Dianne Thomas to changed the August Council Meeting from August 21, 2022 to August 15, 2022. Councilwoman Mary Moyer seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins to adopt the Conflict-of-Interest policy, Councilwoman Mary Moyer seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

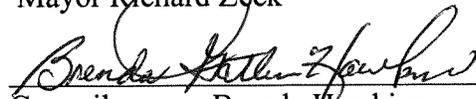
A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Dianne Thomas to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins. All voted "Aye", the motion carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

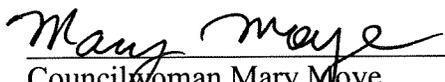

Susan Ellsworth, Village Clerk/Finance Officer

Approved On 6-20-2022
Date


Mayor Richard Zeck


Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins

Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Thomas


Councilwoman Mary Moyer