

**The Village of Simpson  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
October 19, 2020  
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, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Dianne Thomas, Councilwoman  
Mary Moye, Councilwoman

**OTHERS PRESENT**

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

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Councilwoman Mary Moye provided prayer.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND SEPTEMBER MINUTES**

Mayor Richard Zeck asked the council if they had anything to add or change on the agenda. Mayor Zeck added to the agenda under Items for Discussion – Chapter 160D and contract that goes with it.

Councilwoman Dianne Thomas made the motion to approve the agenda with the addition and Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins seconded the motion. All voted “Aye”, the motion was carried. Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins made the motion to approve the September minutes and Councilwoman 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 that October is Breast Cancer Month and Boss' Day, COVID 19 is still on the rise, please remember the 3W's. Schools schedule maybe changing taking effect in January.
- Councilwoman Mary Moye spoke briefly thanking everyone for coming out, mentioned it being made mandatory that seventh graders and seniors have updated immunizations, inquired about letter received about auditor.
- Councilwoman Dianne Thomas spoke briefly thanking everyone for coming to the meeting, thank everyone for prayers for her grandmother. Please take the COVID 19 seriously and take time to vote.

### **ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

Attorney Keen Lassiter had no comments

### **MAYOR REPORTS:**

spoke briefly on:

- the auditor's letter, in reviewing procedures some things were not to state code. As elected officials we have to good stewards on how Simpson is spending monies.
- There is not one reported case of COVID 19 in Simpson. Simpson is following necessary procedures to prevent the spread.
- Financials still doing very well.
- Drainage on Wilson and Philippi Church is nonexistence in part due to lack of maintenance; work will start in this area in the next week or so.
- Simpson Data for Pavement Management System report for repair to the roads.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

Adoption of solicitation ordinance

Amend Blue Creek parcel incorrectly rezoned

Release of pavement condition report by Pitt County

### **ITEMS FOR MOTION:**

Adoption of solicitation ordinance was tabled until November meeting.

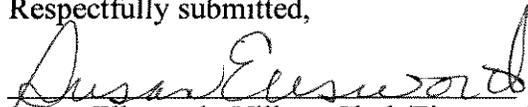
A motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins to accept an Ordinance to correct an amendment to the zoning ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Simpson, NC Official Zoning Map regarding Blue Creek Farms, LLC. Councilwoman Dianne Thomas seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dianne Thomas to accept the Mid-East Commission Planning and Zoning Administration Services Contract to make Simpson in compliance with Chapter 160D. Councilwoman Mary Moye seconded the motion. All voted "Aye", the motion was carried.

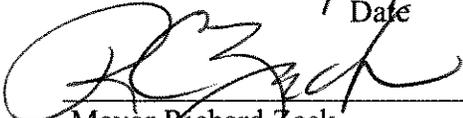
### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Hawkins to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Dianne Thomas. All voted "Aye", the motion carried, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Susan Ellsworth, Village Clerk/Finance Officer

Approved On 11/16/2020  
Date

  
Mayor Richard Zeck

  
Mayor Pro-Tem Brenda Hawkins

  
Councilwoman Dianne Thomas

  
Councilwoman Mary Moye

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