

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 17, 2020

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Monday, February 17, 2020 at 7:00 pm in Village Hall. Mayor Tom Poulson called the meeting to order. Members present at roll call were Larry Allen, John Heitger, Michael Johns, Robert Kerr, Tricia Mullins, and Scott Thorn. Fiscal Officer Pam Keener, Solicitor Jason Groh, and Clerk of Council Beverly Hatten were also present.

Mullins motioned to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2020 meeting as written. Kerr seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the minutes as written.

Mayor passed around a letter written by Jon Parker, Zoning Administrator, for the council to read. It was mailed to the owner of the property on North Summit Street. The letter was reviewed by the solicitor. The letter was in regards to the condition of the property and requesting a more permanent solution be found to clean up and keep it clean.

Regarding the nuisance property ordinance, Solicitor Groh advised the Chief of Police sent his input and the Solicitor is looking it over and comparing with existing ordinances to avoid overlapping. He anticipates having it ready for next meeting.

Allen questioned the gas report handed out at the last meeting. The addresses for two locations are incorrect. One address is incorrect, does not exist and another was a former Village address, but the Village no longer owns the property.

Mayor presented the Task Order 2020-1, Engineering Agreement with CT Consultants. The engineering task order is to put in place language which will be used with each contract. The Engineering work will be billed on an hourly basis. Allen motioned to approve the Engineering Agreement Task Order 2020-1. Mullins seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved and authorized the Mayor to sign Task Order 2020-1 Engineering Agreement with CT Consultants.

Mayor reviewed the financial reports with Council. Mullins motioned to approve the January 2020 Financial Report. Kerr seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the January 2020 Financial Report.

Mayor passed around an email received from a resident who resides on Gable Lane reference the parking situation. As stated before, vehicles belonging to residents on Center Street are parking on Gable Lane. Gable Lane is a narrow street, the vehicles parking there are not the real issue, it's how they are parked. They park directly across the street from each other which creates a very narrow passage for the residents who live on Gable Lane. Discussion of options and emergency vehicles having clear passage took place. One option would be to pass an ordinance for no parking on one side of the street. Once an ordinance is passed the police department would be able to enforce it. Allen will contact the landlord of the owners of the vehicles to see if it can be resolved. If not, the council will consider further action. Solicitor will write up a no parking ordinance for review.

Solicitor advised Orrville will be hosting a Sunshine Law Training April 15, 2020 at Maibach from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm. The Solicitor advised he will be attending the training on behalf of Village Council Members, but recommends anyone that has not attended previous training to try to attend this one.

Liaison Reports

Allen passed around the year end and monthly run reports for Central Fire.

Kerr advised the Veteran's Committee Member, Margo Stafford is stepping down. They recommend Joyce Garn fill the vacant seat. Mullins motioned to appoint Joyce Garn to the vacant Veteran's Committee seat. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the appointment of Joyce Garn to the Veterans Committee. Kerr shared a response to Colonel Duffy regarding the offer of military equipment as part of the Smithville Veterans Memorial. In part the response read, "It was decided that it would be best to adhere to our primary mission of honoring veterans of all wars." "We need to focus strictly on the people who served and not add a museum/military equipment component which, while interesting, would detract from our stated goal." Allen motioned to approve the response to Colonel Duffy. Thorn seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the response regarding not to include military equipment in the Veteran's Memorial.

Heitger shared a proposal from B&K Concrete Construction & Contracting Inc for concrete sidewalk replacement in areas on Main Street, the total \$26,247.00. Funds have been appropriated for this work. Also Mike Turner has received shipment of 6 Christmas decorations.

Mayor advised he received an email advising the final drawings have been completed for the water tower.

Mayor passed out a typed copy of the response he gave to NEFCO (Northeast Ohio Four County Regional Planning and Development Organization) concerning the proposed changes for the "redline" on behalf of the Village of Smithville. The Mayor attended the meeting and stated it was well attended from citizens in the area.

Mayor shared a letter from the Wayne County Health Department regarding their annual meeting on March 2, 2020. Mayor requested someone from Council attend on behalf of the Village.

Also shared was an inspection report from ODOT of the bridge.

Fiscal Officer Pam Keener has a new position and will be unavailable on Mondays for Council Meetings. Council wishes to retain Pam Keener as Fiscal Officer and will change meeting nights. Council will meet on Tuesday evenings beginning April 21, 2020.

Mullins motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$30,141.06. Kerr seconded the motion. Council approved unanimously to pay the bills.

Mayor announced the recycling changed and will be accepting glass, signage has changed.

Allen motioned to adjourn the business meeting. Mullins seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Scheduled meetings:

BPA Meeting March 9, 2020 at 6:00 pm

Council Meeting March 2, 2020 at 7:00 pm

Council Meeting March 16, 2020 at 7:00 pm

Minutes of the February 17, 2020 meeting were approved on March 2, 2020.


Clerk


Mayor