

## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

### NOVEMBER 18, 2019

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Monday, November 18, 2019 at 7:00 pm in Village Hall. Mayor Tom Poulson called the meeting to order. Members present at roll call were Larry Allen, Jim Carter, Tricia Fetzer, John Heitger, Robert Kerr, and Scott Thorn. Solicitor Jason Groh, Fiscal Officer Pam Keener, and Clerk of Council Beverly Hatten were also present.

Allen motioned to approve the minutes of the November 4, 2019 regular meeting with corrections. Thorn seconded the motion. Council approved the minutes. Allen yes, Carter yes, Fetzer yes, Heitger abstain, Kerr yes, Thorn yes.

#### Correspondence:

- Mayor passed around a thank you note from Greater Wayne County Community Foundation for work done this year.
- Mayor passed around a public notice from Ohio EPA regarding NPDES Permit to beneficially use biosolids for agricultural purposes. The facility is located at the Wiles Storage Pond, Friendsville & E Pleasant Home Roads, Wooster. An earthen lined storage pond for storage of anaerobically digested biosolids from multiple NPDES permitted facilities. This material will be beneficially used on OEPA approved sites at agronomic rates. A public hearing will be held December 4, 2019 at 6:00pm at the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, Fisher Auditorium.
- The remaining leaf pick up date is the week of November 25.
- Received a letter from Michael Alvis, Heritage Church, regarding a request 4 years ago about them having horses on the property. There was a letter from the previous Mayor indicating with conditions. He also inquired if the BPA would be interested in selling property, the old well fields off of North Mill Street adjoining the property. BPA is not interested in selling the property. The ordinance was reviewed in reference to animals. The property is large enough according to the ordinance. Rev Alvis provided a copy of the letter from Mayor Snyder. The restrictions Mayor Snyder had placed were:
  - Horses permitted, not to exceed 3
  - Fenced pasture area approximately 6 acres located next to the west property line
  - The ditch not to be included in the fenced area to eliminate animal waste in the water
  - Allow minimum 10 feet buffer between the fence and edge of the ditch
  - Animal waste not used on the property must be removed and not stockpiled on the property
  - Permission is granted to the Heritage Baptist Church on behalf of the Michael Alvis family and will terminate when they leave the property.
  - Property is owned by Heritage Baptist is 14 acres, of which 9 acres is estimated as open space. If the open space drops below 8 acres due to church expansion the permit will be rescinded.

Mayor advised Jon Parker, Smithville Zoning, is working on changes for the zoning ordinances.

Solicitor Groh provided the Mayor a copy of Orrville's nuisance ordinance for review. The Mayor advised he will speak to the Chief about it tomorrow.

Kerr inquired if Mr. Yanuta's issue with his driveway has been handled. Mayor advised Mike Turner met with him and Mayor will follow up with Turner.

Mayor reviewed the salary ordinance with council. The changes from the previous year were specifically reviewed. In section 4 the wording was changed to verify that personal time (3 days) not used by the end of the year will not roll over into the next year. In section 10 limits for reimbursement for meals and requirements (receipts needed) were added. The mileage reimbursement was increased. Pay rates for all classifications were reviewed. Fetzer motioned to suspend the rules for **Ordinance 2019-20 Salary Ordinance**. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2019-20.

**Ordinance 2019-20 Salary Ordinance.** An ordinance fixing the compensation of the elected officials of the Village of Smithville, establishing the salaries and allowances of the appointed officials and employees. Fetzer motioned to approve Ordinance 2019-20. Carter seconded the motion. Council unanimously passed Ordinance 2019-20, Salary Ordinance.

The Standard Business Operating Policies and Procedures Manual was brought to the attention of the Council by the Mayor. It will need reviewed for accuracy and current practices and then compared to the employee manual to make sure there are no conflicts between them.

Liaison Reports:

Thorn advised Mike Turner will be looking at a lawn mower.

Allen passed around the run report for the fire department.

Kerr advised the Friends of the Smithville Veterans Memorial held their service on November 10. It was well done. Wayne County Commissioner Ron Amstutz attended. It was the first time he had been to the memorial and he was impressed. The service was well attended.

Carter advised the fields were being aerated today.

Heitger advised the Christmas decorations which hang over the street are old and rusty. He shared a catalog of Christmas decorations and stated it would be wise to wait until after the holidays for the best price. Banners are also being contemplated for the park. Council will review this again and Keener will check for available funds.

Mayor's report:

BPA met last Monday, Chris, CT Consultants, supervised the smoke testing and the filming Lake County Sewer did. There will be a report coming with recommendations concerning the sewer line which runs along Moss Creek and the area in the park. The meeting will be opened to council. It is a BPA responsibility, but some items may come to council.

The Integration committee sent a sheet with the ranking for the PWC projects within the county. There will be a meeting on November 22 for presentation. We are within funding for the district so we should be good to go.

Once we receive approval for the project the Mayor will invite Bob and Jennifer, CT Consultants for a meeting, Mayor will go over concerns regarding past projects and expectations for the new water tower

project. They will need to complete the engineering of the project so we can get the bidding done early in the year.

Mayor met with Solid Waste District representative and Ruritan representative. The Solid Waste District heavily encourages moving any recycling sites that are on private land to public land. Some of the money given is grant money from government entities. The issue they have is using the grant money for improving private property. There is the possibility of using old water tower location for a new recycling location. Of course this property would not be immediately available. They were shown this area. They were pleased with the fenced in area and three sides of the fence would remain. They would have to invest money to utilize the space. The Mayor advised he will try to work with them on it.

Fetzer motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$45,563.71. Carter seconded the motion. Council approved unanimously to pay the bills.

Allen motioned to adjourn the business meeting. Kerr seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm

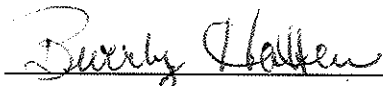
Scheduled meetings:

Council Meeting December 2, 2019 at 7:00 pm

BPA meeting December 9, 2019 at 6:00 pm

Council Meeting December 16, 2019 at 7:00 pm

Minutes of the November 18, 2019 meeting were approved on December 2, 2019.

  
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Clerk

  
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Mayor