## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL November 2, 2021

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall. Mayor Tom Poulson called the meeting to order. Members present at roll call were Larry Allen, Matt Haas, John Heitger, Tricia Mullins, Joseph Reed, and Scott Thorn. Solicitor Jason Groh, Fiscal Officer Pam Keener, and Clerk of Council Beverly Hatten were also present.

Thorn motioned to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2021 Council Meeting. Mullins seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the minutes for October 19, 2021.

The Police Chief is attending training this week.

Leaf pick-up dates are scheduled for the weeks of November 8 and November 22.

Discussion was held regarding updating the Village website. Changes may need to be made for security reasons. More information is needed.

The Income Tax Revenue Report was reviewed by Council.

**2021-18 Resolution** authorizing the Fiscal Officer to transfer, decrease and/or increase appropriations. Haas motioned to suspend the rules for Resolution 2021-18. Reed seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to suspend the rules for Resolution 2021-18.

**2021-18 Resolution** authorizing the Fiscal Officer to transfer, decrease and/or increase appropriations and amend the certificate of estimated resources as needed. Heitger motioned to accept Resolution 2021-18 as written. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to approve Resolution 2021-18.

Thorn inquired about the item on the bill list, past due electric bill. Mayor advised of a meter which had quit running at the water field and it was not noticed for approximately a year. It has been replaced and an estimate was made for the bill by reviewing previous usage.

Reed advised the Veteran's will have a ceremony on December 18 at 3:00 pm for dedication of the Wreaths Across America. They will be placing wreaths at the memorial and in various cemeteries around Smithville.

Haas advised Burkey Excavating will be working on Field #1. The restrooms at the park were winterized.

Heitger advised the first load of salt has been ordered, salt spreader has been installed and checked. The Christmas decorations will be installed Thursday, but not lit.

Mullins advised they did have the Capital plan meeting. All the research has been done for the salary ordinance.

Mayor updated Council Members on the status of the new water tower.

Sgt Wertz introduced the new K9 officer, Diesel, to Council Members. Sgt Wertz explained the training which has been completed and continuing training being done.

Tomorrow morning there is a meeting on site at the old water tower. This is to answer any final questions, resolve all issues with taking down the old tower. The water in the old tower is unusable.

The tower has not been used since the new tower went online. The water will be drained and put through the sanitary sewer.

The backflow prevention device letters were sent out. They need to have the device installed by the end of December and paperwork returned to the Village.

The Mayor advised we are still waiting to hear from OPWC for the North Mill Street water project.

Bid opening is scheduled for Friday, November 5, 2021 at 3:00 in Village Hall for the sanitary sewer project: to televise and clean the sanitary sewer. The entire project will be done over a period of ten years due to the costs involved.

The BPA is looking to increase rates. Rates are based on minimum usage amounts, there has not been an increase in six years. The Village recognizes that most senior citizens do not use the minimum amount and this will be taken into consideration.

Berkey Excavating and Paradise Lawn have offered to assist as needed with snow removal.

Regarding the property which is in violation of maintenance ordinances, the Mayor has emailed the prosecutor's office and is waiting on a response.

Note the date changes of upcoming meeting dates. The next meeting will be Monday, November 15 and the last meeting for the year will be December 28.

Allen motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$42,899.31. Mullins seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved to pay the bills.

Allen motioned to adjourn the business meeting. Haas seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm.

## Scheduled meetings:

Bid Opening November 5,2021 at 3:00 pm, Friday at Village Hall (San. Sewer Televise/Clean Project) Council Meeting November 15, 2021 at 7:00 pm, Monday at Village Hall Council Meeting December 7, 2021 at 7:00 pm, Tuesday at Village Hall BPA Meeting December 13, 2021 at 6:00 pm, Monday at Village Hall Council Meeting December 28, 2021 at 7:00 pm, Tuesday at Village Hall

Minutes of the November 2, 2021 meeting were approved on November 15, 2021.

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