## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL OCTOBER 21, 2019

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Monday, October 21, 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, Robert Kerr, and Scott Thorn. Solicitor Matt Simpson, Fiscal Officer Pam Keener, and Clerk of Council Beverly Hatten were also present. Jon Parker, Smithville Zoning, and Jason Groh, Kropf Wagner Law Firm, were in the audience.

Fetzer motioned to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2019 regular meeting as written. Kerr seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the minutes.

## Correspondence:

- Mayor passed around a thank you note from the Turner Family for sending an arrangement for the funeral of a family member.
- Trick or Treat is October 26 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
- October 28 is the large item trash pickup.
- Leaf pick up dates are the weeks of October 28, November 11, and November 25.

Jon Parker, Smithville Zoning, reported he is working on changes for the zoning ordinances. He will forward them to the Planning Commission for review.

*I&I* Report resulted in letters being sent from the office of the Mayor to the residents identified. The residents are being given 180 days to address the issue. Regarding the catch basin in the Brethren Church parking lot and the creek along Moss Creek, Lake County Sewer is being contacted to identify the issue so a decision can be made to remedy the situation. B&K Concrete will be contacted to do work regarding raising the manhole cover near the Career Center.

A Nuisance Property Ordinance was discussed. Council identified a property which has had numerous property violations over the years and continues to be an issue. A Nuisance Property Ordinance may be a way of dealing with repeat violators.

## Liaison Reports:

Thorn advised the Street Department is busy winterizing equipment and prepping for the upcoming season.

Kerr advised the Friends of the Smithville Veterans Memorial will be meeting tomorrow. They are planning a program for the Sunday before Veterans Day.

Carter advised the restroom at the park will be closed and winterized on November 1. The Durapatcher was used on a section of the walking path.

Mayor advised he met with Keener, Fetzer, and Becky Dannemiller to discuss the 5 year capital plan. Adjustments were made for years already in place, such as adding to the utilities. They went over the BPA requests related to the water tower, communications system, and well assessments. On the sewer side the work on the infiltration system was included. They did put \$75,000 in the plan for 2020 to pave E Prospect St and Mill St, due to the condition of the streets they really can't wait another year. Mike Turner had an estimate to get it done. There are electrical issues at the sewer treatment plant with the

breaker systems and not having electric, they are looking for temporary solutions. Money was moved up to next year for sewer improvements to take care of this and get it fixed.

Fetzer advised she has received employee evaluations, waiting for the remaining. They are due in October.

Fetzer motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$14,661.50. Carter seconded the motion. Council approved unanimously to pay the bills.

Matt Simpson, Village Solicitor, turned in his resignation, tonight will be his last meeting. Fetzer motioned to accept the letter of resignation from Matt Simpson. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved to accept the letter of resignation from Matt Simpson as of October 21, 2019.

Mayor introduced Jason Groh, Attorney with Kropf Wagner Law Firm. Groh has been recommended to for the position of Village Solicitor. Groh informed Council of his background in law and answered Council's questions. Fetzer motioned to appoint Jason Groh as Village Solicitor beginning October 22, 2019. Carter seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the appointment of Jason Groh as Village Solicitor.

Allen motioned to adjourn the business meeting. Kerr seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 pm

Scheduled meetings:

Council Meeting November 4, 2019 at 7:00 pm BPA November 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm Council Meeting November 18, 2019 at 7:00 pm

Minutes of the October 21, 2019 meeting were approved on November 4, 2019.

Clerk

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