

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL
September 1, 2020

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 7:00 pm in a live internet session. Mayor Tom Poulson called the meeting to order. Members present at roll call were Matt Haas, John Heitger, Tricia Mullins, and Scott Thorn. Fiscal Officer Pam Keener, Solicitor Jason Groh, and Clerk of Council Beverly Hatten were also present.

Mullins motioned to appoint Joseph Reed to the vacant council seat. Heitger seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to the appointment of Joseph Reed to fill the vacant council seat. Solicitor Groh swore in Joseph Reed.

Mullins motioned to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2020 meeting as written. Haas seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the minutes.

Mayor advised Chief Funk forwarded a written resignation letter from Patrolman Andrew Pettry. Mayor read the letter to Council. Mullins motioned to accept the resignation of Patrolman Andrew Pettry. Heitger seconded the motion. Council agreed unanimously to accept the resignation of Patrolman Andrew Pettry.

Donations for the Park have been received in the memory of Former Councilman Dave Zimmerman. The Village has received a \$735.00 in additional donations. A list of the donors was given to Council members. Haas motioned to accept the donations. Mullins seconded the motion. Council unanimously accepted the donations for the park fund.

Mayor shared a letter received from Northeast Ohio Natural Gas Corp announcing a monthly increase of approximately 3% per month to the total bill.

Solicitor Groh advised he emailed the proposed ordinance regarding repealing and replacing section 155.013(G) of the Smithville Code of Ordinances to Council Members. The new language removed the time references so the ordinance can be enforced all year. The height for weeds/grass will be twelve (12) inches to prompt a letter of notice to mow. A copy of the new ordinance was forwarded to Zoning Administrator Jon Parker for review. Mayor requests the proposed changes be added to the website.

Ordinance 2020-20 Ordinance enacting and adopting a supplement to the Code of Ordinances. Mullins motioned to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2020-20. Thorn seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2020-20.

Ordinance 2020-20 Ordinance enacting and adopting a supplement to the Code of Ordinances. American Legal Publishing Corp has completed the 2020 S-15 supplement to the Code of Ordinances. It contains all ordinance of a general and permanent nature enacted since the prior supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Smithville. Mullins motioned to approve the updates to the Code of Ordinances as in Ordinance 2020-20. Heitger seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to approve Ordinance 2020-20.

Liaison Reports

Thorn advised he spoke with Mike Turner and they are doing maintenance on equipment and getting ready for winter.

Haas advised the next meeting of the Park Board will be Wednesday, September 16. Haas will get Mayor a time that they can get together with CT Consultants regarding potential funding for major projects.

Mullins advised she is still working on the infectious disease response plan.

Mayor reviewed the Income Tax Revenue Report with Council.

Mayor advised of issues with the auger at the sewer plant. A breaker was continually kicked off due to the auger malfunctioning. Currently the auger is used on an as needed basis not as normal where it would be run all the time. There is wear on the assembly and will need replaced. The unit will cost \$16,269 with additional labor costs.

CT Consultants are working on getting contracts with the contractors. The contractors will get a contract to review and CT Consultants will set up a pre-construction meeting. The meeting will include CT and inspectors to review expectations. Dravenstotts will be invited to make sure there is contact with the business owners in the area.

A water tower groundbreaking ceremony is being planned for September 17, 2020 at 10:00 am. Invitations will be sent out to the press, elected officials from the County, and former Village officials. The groundbreaking ceremony will be open to the public.

Mullins motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$27,180.14. Heitger seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved to pay the bills.

Mayor advised at the BPA meeting we plan to work with CT Consultants with on a plan to evaluate the sanitary sewers in relation to I&I (Inflow and Infiltration). OPWC project for the fall will be lining sanitary sewer pipes which were recently cleaned out. BPA is looking at projects to be done over a period of years and determining priorities.

Mullins motioned to adjourn the business meeting. Thorn seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 pm.

Scheduled meetings:

BPA Meeting September 14, 2020 at 6:00 pm, Monday

Council Meeting September 15, 2020 at 7:00 pm, Tuesday

Council Meeting October 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm, Tuesday

Minutes of the September 1, 2020 meeting were approved on September 15, 2020.


Clerk


Mayor