

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL
September 15, 2020

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 7:00 pm in a live internet session. 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. Police Chief Howard Funk, Fiscal Officer Pam Keener, Solicitor Jason Groh, and Clerk of Council Beverly Hatten were also present.

Mullins motioned to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2020 meeting. Thorn seconded the motion. Allen Abstain; Haas Yes; Heitger Yes; Mullins Yes; Reed Yes; Thorn Yes.

Chief Funk stated at the last meeting Council approved the resignation of Patrolman Pettry. There may be another officer leaving, Chief Funk will obtain more information soon. Chief advised of a part-time officer candidate and submitted a letter regarding the candidate for part-time officer, Rico Ontiveros. Mullins motioned to hire Rico Ontiveros as of 9/21/2020 for the position of Part-time Patrol Officer. Haas seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to hire Rico Ontiveros as a part-time officer.

Chief Funk advised the prosecutor's office has the report on the North Summit property regarding the nuisance conditions. It is being reviewed.

Mayor inquired about a date and time for Trick or Treat. It is not a Village run event, but the Village normally has extra police officers on patrol. Chief Funk advised they are flexible with the date and time. Thorn advised he doesn't believe there are enough participants for it to be an issue and it is an outdoor function, he would not be against having Trick or Treat. Mullins advised to leave it up to the families if they would like to participate. Chief Funk advised he believes the governor will be coming out with guidelines/rules to follow to have a community Trick or Treat. Mayor advised it will be posted on the website for Trick or Treat to be on Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Large Trash pick-up has been scheduled for October 26, 2020. If residents have any questions about an item, they may call Kimbles for more information.

Mayor read the proposed ordinance to repeal and replace section 155.013(G) of the Smithville Code of Ordinances. Section 155.013(G) pertains to the height of vegetation on Village lots. Council wishes to adopt a new section relative to the height of vegetation. Heitger motioned to place on the first reading. Thorn seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to place the resolution to repeal and replace section 155.013(G) on the first reading.

Mayor read the proposed ordinance repealing section 93.40 of the Smithville Code of Ordinances. Section 93.40 pertains to mowing of vacant lots and keeping down of weeds. Heitger motioned to place on first reading. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to place the resolution to repeal 93.40 on the first reading.

Concerning the water tower project, additional inspections need to be done on behalf of the Village, projected cost for shop inspectors inspections is \$6,600 and projected costs for additional new construction inspections is \$4,700. Allen motioned to approve payment for additional inspections for the water tower project. Mullins seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved additional inspections at the total cost of \$11,300.

Haas inquired how the capital improvement plan is going. Keener advised she is continuing to work on the capital improvement plan and will have it ready for Council by the end of October.

Mullins motioned to approve the August 2020 Financial Report. Reed seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the August 2020 Financial Report.

Resolution 2020-21 Resolution accepting the lowest and best bid and authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, acting on behalf of the Village to enter into an agreement with ProSupply as the lowest and best bidder for completion of the West Main Street Water Tower Project, existing tower demolition. Thorn motioned to suspend the rules for Resolution 2020-21. Haas seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to suspend the rules for Resolution 2020-21.

Resolution 2020-21 Resolution accepting the lowest and best bid and authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, acting on behalf of the Village to enter into an agreement with ProSupply as the lowest and best bidder for completion of the West Main Street Water Tower Project, existing tower demolition at a cost to the Village of \$93,500.00. Haas motioned to enter into a contract with ProSupply for demolition of the old water tower as part of the West Main Street Water Tower Project. Mullins seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to authorize the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to enter into a contract with ProSupply in the amount of \$93,500.00.

Resolution 2020-22 Resolution establishing a repayment plan for delinquent income taxes. Mullins motioned to suspend the rules for 2020-22. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to suspend the rules for Resolution 2020-22.

Resolution 2020-22 Resolution establishing a repayment plan for delinquent income taxes. The Village will allow any individual owing unpaid taxes to pay the total balance in six (6) equal monthly payments subject to an administrative fee in the amount of \$5.00 per month for any payment not made in full. If the individual fails to make the agreed upon payment by the agreed upon date, then \$20.00 late fee will be assessed. Thorn motioned to approve Resolution 2020-22. Heitger seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved Resolution 2020-22.

Mayor advised Agri-Sludge has a personnel change in the next contract. The operator will be the same, but the hours have changed from full-time hours to part-time hours. The days the operator will be in the Village are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Resolution 2020-23 Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. Mullins motioned to suspend the rules for Resolution 2020-23. Thorn seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to suspend the rules for Resolution 2020-23.

Resolution 2020-23 Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. Mullins motioned to Approve Resolution 2020-23. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved Resolution 2020-23.

Liaison Reports

Allen advised COVID19 related expenses are \$25,600 for Central Fire District.

Reed advised the next meeting for the Veterans Memorial Committee will be in 2021.

Haas advised spruce trees have been taken down in the park. Quote for grinding stumps was received. There are ash trees in the park which will need taken down this fall or in the spring. There will be a Park Committee Meeting Wednesday September 16, at 7:00 pm.

Mullins advised the infectious disease response plan has been finished. This includes purchasing a computer for work at home. A quote was obtained for \$668.29 from Dell. Keener advised a purchase order is in place.

The Groundbreaking Ceremony is September 17, 2020 at 10:00 am. Invitations were sent. Former Mayor Al Snyder was invited to be a part of ceremony. The ceremony will be open to the public.

Mayor advised Ohio Drilling did repairs on 2 of the wells this year and will work on 2 wells next year so they will be ready when the new water tower comes online.

Mayor advised at the BPA will receive an evaluation of 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.

Mullins advised she will be sending out an email for supervisors to do evaluations in preparations for the salary ordinance.

Allen motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$44,545.31. Mullins seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved to pay the bills.

Allen motioned to adjourn the business meeting. Thorn seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Scheduled meetings:

Water Tower Groundbreaking Ceremony September 17, 2020 at 10:00 am, Thursday

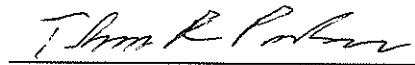
Council Meeting October 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm, Tuesday

BPA Meeting October 12, 2020 at 6:00 pm, Monday

Council Meeting October 20, 2020 at 7:00 pm, Tuesday

Minutes of the September 15, 2020 meeting were approved on October 6, 2020.


Clerk


Mayor