

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Monday, September 16, 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. Fiscal Officer Pam Keener, Solicitor Matt Simpson, Police Chief Funk and Clerk of Council Beverly Hatten were also present.

Fetzer motioned to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2019 regular meeting as written. Carter seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the minutes.

Chief Funk inquired if there were any questions regarding the police report which was approved at the last meeting. There were none. Chief advised he has renewed the body camera contract for another five (5) years. Chief inquired if anything was known about trick or treat for this year. He will check with the community center to see what their plans are.

Mayor passed around the compilation for the OPWC submission. CT Consultants submitted the application Friday, today was the deadline. It will be scored and then we will be able to see if the score falls in the funding bracket. If it does not we can make adjustments. We have set aside \$325,000 and are able to commit to \$500,000. The paperwork shows the amount we can pay, amount of the grant request and the amount of the loan request.

Jon Parker is continuing to work on zoning changes.

The August Financial Report was reviewed. Fetzer motioned to file the August Financial Report. Carter seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to file the August Financial Report.

Allen passed around the August run report for Central Fire Department.

Kerr advised the next meeting for The Friends of the Veterans Memorial would be September 24, 2019 at 4:00 pm at Village Hall.

Mayor advised Buchwalter's was inquiring how long to continue watering the plants. Heitger is to get back with them.

Mayor advised he has been contacted by James Hohenshil, David Street. When the work on the street was done his downspouts were not hooked up to the storm sewer on one side of the house as he had requested. This is causing dampness in his basement. Two laterals had been run from his house; the contractor connected one, but did not find the second lateral to connect it. Mr Hohenshil has since decided to run a new lateral line and requests assistance from the Village to pay a portion. The Mayor recommends the Village pay for the connection of the lateral to the storm sewer. The estimate of this portion would be about \$500.

Mayor presented two work orders from CT Consultants regarding the West Main Street Water Tower Project to Council. They have divided the project into separate Task Orders: 1) Design Modifications and 2) Construction phase. The design modifications will claim that the design from 10 years ago is complete even though there will need to be modifications to the design. This includes preliminary and final design services, and bidding related services. The construction phase was separated out to include in the OPWC application. The current paperwork shows \$125,000 as it does not include concrete or soil testing. They are estimating \$150,000 in the OPWC application. This will include all construction related services. The Mayor will be emailing the paperwork to Solicitor Simpson for his review. Fetzer motioned to authorize the Mayor to sign Task Order 2019-04 and Task Order 2019-05 for Professional

Engineering Services with CT Consultants. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to authorize the Mayor to sign the Task Order 2019-04 Design Water Tower and Task Order 2019-05 Construction Water Tower for the West Main Street Water Tower Project.

CT Consultants had submitted a bill for additional engineering costs incurred for the waste water treatment plant project. The Village had requested more detail regarding these costs. CT Consultants has responded with a six page document which shows a summary of hours for this project. There is designation of anticipated and/or expected work under the contract and additional work. The additional requested hours includes reviews/negotiating change order for building, review and heat trace equipment and piping. All items are itemized. Fetzer motioned to pay CT Consultants the additional engineering costs involved in the WWTP project. Allen seconded the motion. Council approved to pay the additions engineering costs. Heitger yes, Kerr yes, Thorn abstain, Allen yes, Carter yes, Fetzer yes.

The smoke testing revealed two problem areas which are believed to be contributing a vast amount of rain water into the sanitary sewer. The first is the sewer main that runs beside the creek near the Moss Creek development. The second area of concern is the parking lot at the Brethren Church and bank on Main Street. This is large paved area which has a catch basin and is believed to be connected to the storm sewer. During huge rain events there is a manhole cover by the basketball courts where we have noticed water gushing out of the manhole. When a smoke test was done, putting smoke in the catch basin, there was smoke coming out of the sanitary sewer by the basketball court. This would be a tremendous amount of water which would get to the plant pretty quickly. Those are two things on which we will spend some additional effort and time. We may film them to determine where the problem is and how to address it. There may not be more than half a dozen homes which have been identified. They will be giving it to us in writing.

Allen motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$223234.92. Fetzer seconded the motion. Council agreed unanimously to pay the bills.

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

Scheduled meetings:

Council Meeting October 7, 2019 at 7:00 pm

BPA Meeting October 14, 2019 at 6:00 pm

Council Meeting October 21, 2019 at 7:00

Minutes of the September 16, 2019 meeting were approved on October 7, 2019.

  
Clerk

  
Mayor