

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL  
SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Monday, September 3, 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, and Clerk of Council Beverly Hatten were also present.

Allen motioned to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2019 regular meeting as written. Fetzer seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the minutes.

The August police report was reviewed. Chief Funk was unable to attend tonight's meeting, but will attend the next regular meeting to answer any questions. Fetzer motioned to file the August police report. Carter seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to file the August police report.

Mayor passed around a hand out regarding the training session for Ohio's Sunshine Laws to be held in October and information on a webinar regarding Financial Tools available to municipalities to fund infrastructure improvement projects.

**Ordinance 2019-16** An Ordinance establishing an available inspection of sewer connections for real property in the Village of Smithville. The Council is concerned about the increase in the flow in the sanitary sewer during and after rainfall and the cause of the increased flow is due in part to houses and other buildings having downspouts, gutters and other drains connected into the sanitary sewer and it is unlawful to have storm water drained into sewers intended for sewage only. The owner of any real property or a person entering into a contract for the purchase of such real property, may request that the Village inspect the structure or land to determine the condition of the sewer laterals, connections for sanitary and storm sewers, gutters, downspouts and footer drains located on the subject real property. This is the third reading of the ordinance. Fetzer motioned to adopt the ordinance. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously adopted Ordinance 2019-16. A document will be developed to pass out to realtors, to be able to give to buyers.

Fetzer inquired if there were any results of the smoke testing. Mayor advised possibly next week. A visual inspection found possible issue with the creek west of Moss Creek. There were some homes identified, but not as many as expected.

**Resolution 2019-17** 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. Fetzer motioned to suspend the rules for Resolution 2019-17. Kerr seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to suspend the rules for Resolution 2019-17.

**Resolution 2019-17** 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. Fetzer motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-17. Allen seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to adopt Resolution 2019-17 and request the paperwork be sent to the county auditor.

CT Consultants is preparing the documents to submit to OPWC for funding. A decision needs to be made as to size of the new water tower, 200,000 gallon or 250,000 gallon tank. There were questions: Would size effect water quality? What is the difference in price? Bob, CT Consultants, responded to the questions. A tank can be operated a lower capacity during the months when the demand is lower. A mixer will be included in the funding to help with water quality issues. BPA recommends the 250,000 gallon size. The engineers usually do well with their estimates so there are not many cost over runs.

They will not start out with the tower fully filled, but will raise the level gradually to raise pressure slowly, due to the concerns that older homes may not be ready for the full pressure. The monitoring system was removed from the quote and will be done independently from building the new water tower. Ohio Drilling will evaluate the well field, currently there is not enough information on what needs done at the well field. Allen, Fetzer, Kerr, and Thorn spoke in favor of a 250,000 tank. Fetzer motioned to approve a 250,000 gallon water tower. Carter seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the 250,000 gallon water tower.

Income Tax Revenue report was shared.

Thorn advised he spoke with Mike Turner regarding the 5 year plan. He submitted a list to the fiscal officer.

Allen asked if the fire department needed to contribute funds to the water tower project. Mayor advised Jennifer, CT Consultants, has not answered yet. If there is value in them contributing we would ask.

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

Fetzer advised the heads of the departments need to have evaluations done.

Mayor's updates:

- There was a discrepancy between the street paving bid and the bill received from the contractor. The bill was pulled until answers are received.
- The building at the sewer plant is progressing rapidly.

Allen motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$45,120.35. Kerr seconded the motion. Council agreed unanimously to pay the bills.

Allen motioned to adjourn the business meeting. Kerr seconded the motion. Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm

Scheduled meetings:

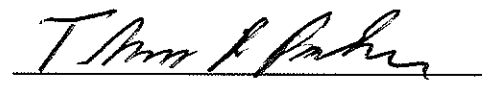
BPA Meeting September 9, 2019 at 6:00 pm

Council Meeting September 16, 2019 at 7:00 pm

Council Meeting October 7, 2019 at 7:00

Minutes of the September 3, 2019 meeting were approved on September 16, 2019.

  
Clerk

  
Mayor