

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

January 4, 2022

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall. 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. Office Administrator Becky Dannemiller (acting as Clerk of Council), Fiscal Officer Pam Keener, and Solicitor Jason Groh were also present. Officer Jacobs was in attendance also.

Mayor Poulson swore in and read the Oath of Office to the four (4) re-elected Council members; Larry Allen, Joe Reed, John Heitger, and Matt Haas. Each was signed and notarized.

Heitger motioned to approve the minutes of the December 28, 2021 Council Meeting. The minutes were approved with a minor change suggested by Solicitor Groh for entering into executive session. Becky will make that correction. Thorn seconded the motion. Allen, yes. Haas, yes, Heitger, yes, Mullins, yes, Reed, yes, and Thorn, yes. The minutes of the December 28, 2021 were approved.

Officer Jacobs shared and reviewed the December 2021 Police Report with council members. The December report was approved.

Tricia reviewed the updated list of Boards and Commissions and informed Council all members had agreed to continue serving on the boards and several need to be re-appointed. Mullins made the motion to approve the updated Boards & Commissions list, Haas seconded and Council approved unanimously.

Mayor Poulson informed Council that Kyle Krownapple had not run for re-election but agreed to serve again on the BPA board. Thorn made the motion to appoint Kyle Krownapple to the Board of Public Affairs, Heitger seconded, and Council unanimously approved the appointment.

Liaison Reports: Thorn had nothing in equipment; Allen had nothing in fire; Mayor had nothing in police; Reed had nothing for the veteran's memorial; Haas reported he had spoken to Nate Butcher about the new batting cages and Nate had requested they be ordered soon to have in place for the 2022 ball season start. Haas also reported the quote is higher than the capital plan allows. Haas and Butcher had discussed and agreed the batting cages and ball field #2 should be commemorated in honor of Mike Turner, who passed away January 1st this year. Heitger stated Adam would be removing the Christmas decorations this week. Tricia had nothing in finance.

Mayor Poulson reported on the status of the old water tower demolition which is still being completed. There was a change order to remove the old fencing and re-seed the area which is a change from graveling and fencing the area.

The Mayor stated he will check with C.T. Consultants about the EPA Loan paperwork for the San. Swr. Master Study loan and be sure all is in place for the meeting this month.

The Mayor also reported he has heard nothing from G.E. Baker concerning reimbursing the village for the extra charges by Downing Construction.

The Mayor reported that the Solicitor will be writing a letter to the prosecutor's office about the property on North Summit Street and our interpretation of who should have been served.

Haas made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to R.R. 121.22 (g) (1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, or compensation of a public employee, Thorn seconded, and Council unanimously approved.

Thorn made the motion to exit Executive Session, Reed seconded, and Council unanimously approved.

Council discussed the promotion of Adam Baker to the position of Public Service Supervisor following the death of Mike Turner on January 1st. Heitger made the motion to promote Adam Baker to the Supervisor position effective immediately, Mullins made a second, Council unanimously approved the motion.

Allen made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm, Thorn seconded, council unanimously approved.

Scheduled meetings:

BPA Meeting January 10, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Council Meeting January 18, 2022 @ 7pm

Pre-Construction Meeting January 20, 2022 @8am

Council Meeting February 1, 2022 @ 7pm

Clerk

Mayor