

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL
December 28, 2021

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 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) was also present.

Thorn motioned to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2021 Council Meeting. Mullins seconded the motion. Allen, yes. Haas, yes, Heitger, abstain, Mullins, yes, Reed, yes, and Thorn, yes. The minutes of the December 7, 2021 were approved.

2021-21 Ordinance to approve the 2022 Annual Appropriations. Heitger motioned to suspend the rules for Resolution 2021-21, Haas seconded the motion and Council unanimously agreed to suspend the rules for Resolution 2021-21.

2021-21 Ordinance to approve the 2022 Annual Appropriations. Mullins motioned to approve Ordinance 2021-21, Reed seconded the motion and Council unanimously approved Ordinance 2021-21.

The **2022 Budget** was brought up for discussion. Haas made the motion to approve the 2022 Budget, Allen seconded, and Council approved the 2022 Budget.

2021-22 Ordinance to approve the 2022 Salary Ordinance for compensation of elected officials and employees. Mullins made the motion to suspend rules, Heitger seconded the motion and Council voted unanimously to suspend rules.

2021-22 Ordinance to approve the 2022 Salary Ordinance for compensation of elected officials and employees. Mullins made the motion to approve Ordinance 2021-22, Heitger seconded, and Council unanimously approved Ordinance 2021-22.

2021-23 Resolution for Appropriation Amendment #3. Mullins made the motion to suspend rules, Haas seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved suspending rules.

2021-23 Resolution for Appropriation Amendment #3. Mullins made the motion to approve Resolution 2021-23 to amend appropriations, Haas seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved Resolution 2021-23.

The **November 2021 Financial Report** was brought up for approval. Heitger made the motion to approve the November 2021 Financial Report, Thorn seconded the motion and Council unanimously approved.

The position of Council President was discussed. Allen nominated Mullins as Council President for 2022 and Thorn seconded. Reed, yes, Thorn, yes, Allen, yes, Haas, yes, Heitger, yes, Mullins, abstain.

Thorn made a motion to enter into Executive Session, Reed seconded, and Council unanimously approved.

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

Allen made the motion to approve paying bills in the amount of \$130,252.29, Heitger seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved paying bills.

Liaison Reports: Thorn stated the dump truck was back from repairs. He reported Adam states all is going just fine now in the Street department on his own. Allen reported the fire department commended Officer Short on some help he offered during an incident, and one firefighter is out with Covid now. Heigter reported we received the first load of salt, and the Christmas lights would come down next week. Also, the new salt building is on hold while waiting for materials. Mullins stated she had completed the survey of committee appointees and updated the list. She will have Belinda track these committees and boards to keep track of expirations. There are 6-7 reappointments needed. Reed, nothing on Veteran's Memorial, and Has, nothing in Park.

The Liaisons will remain the same in 2022.

The Mayor reported we will swear in the re-elected Council members at the next meeting and Kyle Krownapple, who did not run, will be appointed as a member of the BPA.

Mayor updated Council Members on the status of the new water tower. A punch-list was made following a walk-through. There were a few electrical things that needed completed, seeding in the spring, and concrete sealed in certain areas.

The Mayor also reported on the demolition of the old tower. The reconnaissance video of the area had not been delivered to one property owner and secure fencing had not been installed. After a threat of shutting down the demo work, the contractor installed the fencing as required. We are still waiting for the video to be delivered.

The Mayor reported a walk-through of the Park Dr/Northeast Street Sanitary Sewer Re-lining Project was done and it was completed as it should be. One manhole riser in the park had a hole, but Adam repaired it. Adam was to check other manholes from this project to see if others need repaired.

The Mayor stated we should be on the Agenda for the Ohio EPA for loan approval for the Sanitary Sewer Master Plan.

The Mayor stated the Solicitor will respond to Prosecutor Dan Lutz and his inquiry about the property on North Summit Street and the Property Maintenance Ordinance.

Mullins shared the updated website would be ready approximately February 18, 2022.

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

Scheduled meetings:

Council Meeting January 4, 2022 @ 7pm

BPA Meeting January 10, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Council Meeting January 18, 2022 @ 7pm

Clerk

Mayor