MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL AUGUST 16, 2022

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 in the Village Hall. Mayor Tom Poulson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Members present at roll call were Matt Haas, Tricia Mullins, Joseph Reed, John Heitger, and Larry Allen. Solicitor Jason Groh, Clerk of Council Belinda Taylor and were also present. Also in attendance was Chief Kevin English.

Mullins made the motion to accept the August 16, 2022 minutes as corrected, Heitger seconded the motion. Roll call: Allen, yes; Haas, yes; Heitger, yes: Mullins, yes; Reed, yes.

At 7:02 pm, Reed made the motion to enter into executive session pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22 (G) (1) for conferences with an attorney for the public body to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, or compensation of a public employee, Mullins seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved. Invited into executive session were Mayor Poulson, Solicitor Groh, Clerk of Council Belinda Taylor, and Chief English

Mullins made the motion to exit executive session at 7:05 pm, Reed seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved.

Haas made the motion to accept Kyle Allen's resignation, Mullins seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved.

Mullins made the motion to accept Suzanne Trepal's resignation, Heitger seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved.

Mullins made the motion to accept the contract with Liberty Prep, Allen seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved.

Ordinance #2022-20 Salary Ordinance Appendix A Amendment: Mullins made the motion to suspend rules, Haas seconded the motion, Council unanimously approved.

Ordinance #2022-20 Salary Ordinance Appendix A Amendment: Mullins made the motion to approve the 2022 Salary Ordinance Appendix A Amendment, Heitger seconded, and Council unanimously approved.

Part time Police Officers wages will be increased from 17.00 to 19.00 per hour during 1 year probation and 17.75 to 20.00 after the 1-year probation.

Police Report: Chief English reported that other areas of law enforcement are also hiring and the academy are not filling class spots like they were in the past. Heitger stated what the average part time wage for part time officers in Ohio is \$22.00 an hour. The cruisers are complete with the new logo and the new cruiser has a delivery date of October 27 and will be complete with decals and equipment 4 weeks after delivery. Chief English states that the donated cruise has been approved by the council and title is on its way.

New Business:

June 2022 Income Tax Revenue Report is in the positive by \$23,104.54

N Milton change order current contract and adding to it and will be totally paid by the Village and will be kept separate from N Mill. The Pre-Construction meeting was held last Friday and a sample of the pipe was brought for viewing.

Liaison Reports: Heitger E Center Street/Anna Drive paved. Northeast is going to be completed also. E Center Street has also been stripped. Allen stated that the Fire Department had 82 calls for the month that included 2 big fires which increased man hours. Had to replace 3 sets of turn out gear and the ladder truck will need \$6,000.00 in repair work. Reed has a meeting scheduled for August 25th for the Veterans Memorial. Nothing from Haas about the parks and Nothing for Mullins and the Finance/Personnel.

Mayor's Report:

Tower Demolition Update still have not heard anything since the email was sent.

523 N Summit Street Christian will submit the paperwork to the prosecutor and they have been waiting for it.

Mayor Poulson stated that OWDA wants to close loan but we can't until the final number's are in at which time some of the funds can be used for the N Milton Project.

Allen made the motion to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$9895.53, Heitger seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved paying the bills.

At 7:58 pm, Reed made the motion to enter into executive session pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22 (G) (3) for conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. Mullins seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved. Invited into executive session were Mayor Poulson, Solicitor Groh and Clerk of Council Belinda Taylor.

Allen made the motion to return to exit executive session at 7:59 pm, Reed seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved.

Allen made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm, Haas seconded, and Council unanimously approved.

Scheduled meetings:

Council Meeting September 21, 2022 @7pm BPA Meeting, September 12, 2022 @6pm Council Meeting, October 4, 2022 @7pm

Bllinda Taylor Clerk

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