

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

August 2, 2022

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Tuesday, August 2, 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, Scott Thorn, John Heitger, and Larry Allen. Also in attendance was Chief Kevin English, visitors Jeff and Susan Stump, and potential hire Whitney Stump.

Heitger made the motion to accept the July 19, 2022 minutes, Haas seconded the motion. Roll call: Allen, yes; Haas, yes; Heitger, yes; Mullins, yes; Reed, yes; Thorn, yes.

At 7:04 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, Thorn seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved. Invited into executive session was Mayor Poulson, Whitney Stump and Chief English.

Allen made the motion to exit executive session at 7:14 p.m. Reed seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Thorn and seconded by Haas to hire Whitney Stump as the full-time Village SRO effective July 22, 2022. Council approved unanimously and Whitney was sworn in by Mayor Poulson.

A motion was made by Reed and seconded by Heitger to enter into executive session at 7:20 p.m. 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. Council approved unanimously. Invited to executive session was Mayor Poulson and Chief English.

Thorn made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. Heitger seconded the motion and council approved unanimously.

Heitger motioned to accept the resignation of Kyle Allen as Village SRO full-time officer effective July 20, 2022. Haas seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Haas motioned to hire Kyle Allen as a part-time police officer for the village effective July 20, 2022. Heitger seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Thorn and seconded by Allen to remove Joel Edwards from probationary status effective July 21, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Heitger motioned to accept the resignation of Joel Edwards effective August 5, 2022. Reed seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Police Report: Chief English reported that the car that was donated from Lafayette to the Village, is almost ready for use. He is waiting for a confirmation. Also, the K-9 cruiser will be finished and taken to get the new village graphics within the next few days. New patches and badges for the Police Department will be in tomorrow.

Whitney Stump, the new SRO will be able to use her ballistic vest from her previous commission. The Village will be purchasing this vest from the Ashland County Sheriff's Dept.

Lexipol software for policy and procedures in the Police department will be implemented as soon as training is complete.

Correspondence: A thank you card was sent to the Village from Becky Dannemiller.

The quarterly report for the Wayne County Veteran's memorial was also passed around.

The village is still looking for an Office Administrator. The WCSCC will be checking for any potential hires they may know of and Wayne College will be assisting us through their HANDSHAKE PROGRAM.

New Business:

July 2022 Income Tax Revenue Report is in the positive by \$23,000.00

The village approved a change order to change the Mill Street water lines to PVC pipe. On N. Milton Street, the village will make a change order and add the project to R.A. Bores contract already in place. It is anticipated to be completed in October.

Liaison Reports: Heitger reported that Most Paving will begin next week. Mayor reported that McClintock is working on an estimate for new park security. Thorn wanted to give a compliment to Adam, our street supervisor, for being so prepared and always thinking ahead. Both Adam and Matt are doing very well.

Mayor's Report:

Tower Demolition Update -Still waiting on closure.

The N. Summit Street residence is still being addressed.

Allen made the motion to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$22,634.55. Haas seconded the motion, and Council unanimously approved paying the bills.

Allen made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm, Haas seconded, and Council unanimously approved.

Scheduled meetings:

BPA Meeting, August 15, 2022 @6pm
Council Meeting, August 16, 2022 @7pm


Clerk


Mayor