

MINUTES OF SMITHVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

October 1, 2024

The Council of the Village of Smithville met in regular session on Tuesday October 1, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall. Mayor Tom Poulson called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Members present at roll call were Larry Allen, Nathaniel Duenke, Joseph Reed, Patrick Finn, Matt Haas, and Adrienne Karlen. Additionally, Office Administrator Amy Hescht and Solicitor, Jason Groh were in attendance.

Allen made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2024 meeting. Reed seconded the motion. Roll call: Allen, yes, Duenke, yes, Reed, yes, Finn, yes, Karlen, yes and Haas, yes. The minutes were approved.

There were no visitors or correspondence.

Police: Police Chief attending OPODA Training this week. Now he will be able to train our officers and we will be able to get grant money to reimburse the chief's hours for this training.

Old Business:

Solicitor provided an example of traffic visibility ordinance from another municipality for council to review. It was noted that our area would need to be reviewed by zoning first.

New Business:

Credit Tax Reduction Ordinance was presented by Solicitor Groh for first reading. Council to review before next meeting. Fiscal Officer Keener to check with RITA on the lead-time needed to implement the change effective January 1, 2025. A copy of the ordinance will be given to RITA for review as well.

Park Committee requested approval to apply for a **bottle filling station grant**. Reed motioned to approve, Finn seconded and all agreed.

5-Year capital plan submissions need to be sent to Pam by all department. Also 2025 Appropriations measurers need to be sent to Pam. Mayor, Fiscal Officer, and Council President to discuss 2025 Salary Ordinance.

Reed made a motion to **suspend the rules** requiring three separate readings for Resolution 2024-24 – 2024 Amend Appropriations. Allen seconded and all agreed.

Motion to approve **Resolution 2024-24 – 2024 Amend Appropriations relacing Resolution 2024-22** made by Duenke and seconded by Karlen. Roll call: Reed, yes, Allen, yes, Karlen, yes, Finn, yes, Haas, yes & Duenke, yes.

Liaison reports:

Streets/Sidewalks: No report.

Fire: Starting to paint fire hydrants in village.

Police: No report.

Veteran's Memorial: No report.

Park/Trees: Kidron Tree will remove 4 dead trees. They are working on their capital plan. Looking into open fund with Wayne County Community Foundation in the fall for park #2 and restrooms at east end.

Equipment: Dump truck back in for repairs and skid steer in for hydraulic repairs.

Finance/Personnel: No report.

Solicitor will be completing Sunshine training tomorrow for all employees.

Reminder that Fraud Training needs to be complete

Mayor's Report: The Fairlawn car port resident called and is willing to move. Need to follow-up with ARCAP concerning October deadline for lead report. 2024 OPWC project cannot complete all footage in the proposed area due to no manholes. The Mayor spoke with Chris at CT Consultants and he proposed replacing another area to get the total planned footage. Mayor would like to know the total feet included in the sanitary sewer relining projects and how many feet have been completed so far. The Mayor presented to the committee for the 2025 OPWC last Wednesday. We had a total of 49 points plus 7 discretionary for a total of 56. Mayor has until October 3rd to make any changes. GPD Group plans to attend the November 5, 2024 meeting to go over study results. Eldorado & Center Street residents will be sent a letter to attend the meeting as well. Zoning code needs to be reviewed as it related to Airbnb and Bed & Breakfasts. Brightspeed contacted village about permits needed to install fiber optic lines, but we have declined.

Allen motioned to approve the bill lists totaling \$89,196.22. Duenke seconded. Roll call: Reed, yes, Allen, yes, Karlen, yes, Finn, yes, Haas, yes, & Duenke, yes.

Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Karlen seconded. Roll call: Duenke, yes, Reed, yes, Allen, yes, Karlen, yes, Finn, yes, and Haas, yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Approved: October 15th, 2024


Clerk


Mayor