

Village of Smithton

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SMITHTON, ILLINOIS 62285

MAYOR,
MIKE SMALLWOOD

VILLAGE CLERK,
ANNETTE PARKER



TRUSTEES,
JOSEPH YOCH
JASON BECHERER
CHARLES ROGERS
JAMES ELBE
PHIL HENNING
JIM MOUREY

Village Board Meeting Minutes May 4, 2021 7:30pm

The meeting at Village Hall was called to order at 7:30pm. Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees Yoch, Becherer, Rogers, Elbe, Henning and Mourey answered roll call. Also present were Clerk Parker, Supervisor Klein, Chief Neff and Attorney Durso. Engineer Saeger was not present.

CLERK'S REPORT

The Board received a copy. A motion was made by Trustee Yoch which was seconded by Trustee Becherer to approve the minutes from the board meeting held on April 20, 2021. Roll call was taken: Trustee Yoch, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes. Motion was granted.

TREASURER'S REPORT - No report.

GOOD OF THE VILLAGE

RECOGNIZE RETIRING TRUSTEE JOE YOCH

Mayor Smallwood presented Trustee Yoch with a plaque and thanked him for his 12 years of service as a Trustee. Yoch then stepped down from his seat with the Board.

SWEARING IN OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Deputy Clerk Schlarman swore in the newly reelected Village Clerk Annette Parker.

Clerk Parker swore in the newly reelected Mayor Smallwood.

Clerk Parker swore in the newly reelected Trustees Jason Becherer and Jim Elbe and elected Trustee Tim Hopkins. Hopkins then took his seat with the Board.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Smallwood presented the Committee appointments for the Board.

Finance & Insurance Committee: Chairperson; Jason Becherer, Trustees; Jim Elbe & Jim Mourey

Street & Utility Committee: Chairperson; Charlie Rogers, Trustees; Tim Hopkins & Jason Becherer

Police Committee: Chairperson; Jim Elbe, Trustees; Jim Mourey & Phil Henning

Ordinance Committee: Chairperson; Jim Mourey, Trustees; Charlie Rogers & Jason Becherer

Park & Cemetery Committee: Chairperson; Phil Henning, Trustees; Jim Elbe & Tim Hopkins

Annexation and Buildings: Chairperson; Tim Hopkins, Trustees; Phil Henning & Charlie Rogers

Mayor Smallwood presented his Zoning Board Appointments for 2021 to the board for approval:
Zoning Board Administrator – Scott Saeger
Deputy Administrator – Courtney Munie
Zoning Chairperson – Lori Rodriguez, seven-year term
Board members; Tom Incrocci, six-year term; Mark Parker, five-year term; Dale Becherer, four-year term; Tom Schanherr, three-year term; Leo Simburger, two-year term; Julie York, one-year term.

Safety Committee: Chairperson; Mayor Smallwood, Administration; Scott Saeger, Street & Utility; Mitch Hummert, Police; Jason Neff.

Health Officer; Nancy Rogers
Deputy Clerk; Michelle Schlarman
Village Treasurer; Dallas Dlouhy
Village Attorney; Carmen Durso
Police Chief; Jason Neff
Street Supervisor; Dean Klein
Identity Theft Administrator; Jason Neff
Open Meetings Act Officer; Annette Parker
Freedom of Information Act Officers: Police Dept.; Jason Neff, Village Hall; Michelle Schlarman

Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to approve the Officer appointments made by the Mayor. Roll call was taken: Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Neff reported that the Police Department received 71 calls for the month of April. Neff stated that the Riot gear for the PD has been ordered. He thanked the Board for the authorization to order it.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

4509 BARLEYRIDGE DRIVE – EXPANSION JOINT

Mayor Smallwood reported that the homeowner of 4509 Barleyridge Drive signed an agreement stating the Village will not be held responsible for any future liability that may arise due to the expansion joint that will be put in. Saeger has signed the work order for the project.

WHITE OAK DR. RIP RAP

Mayor Smallwood reported that the Trustees agreed that the rip rap project for White Oak Drive will be looked at next year due to the fact that there is not time or funds for the project this year.

BAEDERWOOD CT. DRAINAGE

This item will be discussed at the next Committee As a Whole meeting due to Engineer Saeger's absence.

5638 BANNISTER TRAVEL TRAILER CONCRETE PAD

Mayor Smallwood reported that a resident has asked for a building permit for a concrete pad that he would like to park his travel trailer on. Engineer Saeger had asked the Trustees for guidance. The Board decided not to change the language in the Ordinance but to decide on these requests on a case-by-case basis. Trustee Mourey made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to approve a building permit for a concrete pad to park a travel trailer on, with the condition that the pad be placed a minimum of 60 feet from the curb. Roll call was taken: Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT – No report.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Mayor Smallwood reported that there is a Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for May 6, 2021, at 10:00am if needed.

ZONING BOARD REPORT

ZONING BOARD HEARINGS MAY 5, 2021

Zoning Administrator Saeger reported that there are two zoning hearings scheduled for May 5th, and two more scheduled for May 12th, 2021.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Supervisor Klein reported that the crew are working on projects as the weather permits.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

17 N. HIGH STREET

Attorney Durso reported that there is a court date set in May for the ordinance violations on this property. If the property owner doesn't show up, the court may set fines.

GRANITE DRIVE

Attorney Durso asked Chief Neff if this property has been cleaned up. Neff replied that the issues have been taken care of. This item will be removed from the agenda.

Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to accept the Officer's reports as given. All were in favor. Motion was granted.

COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE

Mayor Smallwood reported that there was a Committee As a Whole meeting on April 27, 2021. The other items will be discussed under the Committee Reports. Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to approve the minutes from the Committee As a Whole meeting on April 27, 2021. Roll call was taken: Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

FINANCE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE

BUDGET – This item has been completed and will be removed from the agenda.

STREET & UTILITY COMMITTEE

STREET DEPARTMENT VEHICLES – No update.

SALT PURCHASE

Trustee Rogers reported that the salt stock has been ordered and should be delivered tomorrow.

POLICE COMMITTEE

POLICE EQUIPMENT

Trustee Elbe reported that the Riot gear has arrived.

PARK & CEMETERY COMMITTEE

PARK SWING

The swing will be installed as soon as the weather permits.

SAA/PARK BUILDING – No update.

SAA BATTING CAGE REQUEST

Trustee Henning reported that he has not received an update from SAA.

TRAIL STUDY GRANT

Trustee Henning reported that the MEPRD grants will be decided on in May 2021.

GRAVESTONE REQUEST

Mayor Smallwood reported that a resident has requested a cemetery gravestone that exceeds the Ordinance guidelines. This was discussed at the Committee As a Whole meeting. Trustee Henning made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Mourey to allow the requested gravestone. Roll call was taken: Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – No report.

ANNEXATION AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

WILLOW OAK PROPERTY

Trustee Mourey reported that neither he nor Engineer Saeger have received a response from the property owner.

GROCERY STORE

Trustee Mourey reported that the property owner had a question about the sidewalk specifications. Mourey would like to discuss this at the next Committee As a Whole meeting.

SALT STORAGE BUILDING – No update.

VILLAGE HALL GENERATOR

Trustee Mourey reported that Glaenzer Electric is working on a bid for a generator and the installation. Mourey has also reached out to a second company for a bid. This item will be discussed at the next Committee As a Whole meeting.

CAMERA FOR VILLAGE SHED

Trustee Mourey reported that he has researched camera systems for the shed with Engineer Saeger and Supervisor Klein. They are considering a Ring doorbell for security of the Village maintenance shed. Trustee Mourey made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to authorize the purchase of a Ring Doorbell Pro for the price of \$529.97, to be installed at the Village shed. Roll call was taken: Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to authorize Clerk Parker to pay bills and the payroll from April 3, 2021 through April 16, 2021. Roll call was taken: Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

COMMUNICATIONS – None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trustee Mourey reported that he spoke to the owner of the construction site at 1 N Main St regarding the progress and cleaning up the site. The owner appreciates the input and support and will check with Engineer Saeger regarding the deadlines of the current building permit.

NEW BUSINESS – No items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

Trustee Rogers made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Becherer to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Motion was granted to adjourn at 8:15pm.