# Village of Smithton

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VILLAGE CLERK, ANNETTE PARKER

MIKE SMALLWOOD

MAYOR.

TRUSTEES,
JASON BECHERER
CHARLES ROGERS
JAMES ELBE
PHIL HENNING
JIM MOUREY
TIM HOPKINS

## VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 15, 2021 7:30PM

The meeting at Village Hall was called to order at 7:30pm. Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees Becherer, Rogers, Elbe, Henning, Mourey and Hopkins answered roll call. Also, present were Clerk Parker, Engineer Saeger, Chief Neff and Attorney Durso. Mayor Smallwood and Supervisor Klein were absent.

Trustee Mourey made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to appoint Trustee Becherer as Mayor pro tem in Mayor Smallwood's absence. Roll call was taken: Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

## **CLERK'S REPORT**

The Board received a copy. A motion was made by Trustee Elbe which was seconded by Trustee Henning to approve the minutes from the board meeting held on June 1, 2021. Roll call was taken: Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

TREASURER'S REPORT - The Board received a copy.

**GOOD OF THE VILLAGE - No report** 

#### **POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Neff reported the new car will be picked up on Monday, June 21, 2021. The car will be delivered to Datatronics, some of the equipment is back ordered and we are looking at the end of July when it will be ready. The K-9 contract has been signed, Diecker will start the academy in the middle of August and finish the first of October.

#### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Scott Saeger reported that he is continuing to work on getting bids for a generator at Village Hall. Repairs were done to the lift station at Chestnut Oak. Missouri Pump and Machinery will be returning in a couple of weeks to repair some corroded piping. A conference call was done with the internet provider for the shed and the speed was increased. The street department is going to try and look for a line of sight with no trees in the way, that will improve the speed.

## **HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT** - No report.

## **SAFETY COMMITTEE**

There will be a Safety Committee Meeting July 1, 2021, at 10:00am if needed.

## **ZONING BOARD REPORT**

ZONING BOARD HEARING JUNE 14, 2021

Engineer Saeger reported that there was a Zoning Hearing on June 14, 2021. The Zoning Board granted a variance for shed height. No action by the Board is needed. Saeger reported that there will also be a hearing on July 7, 2021, for Hunters Point to review the engineering plans.

## **SUPERVISORS REPORT**

Supervisor Klein was absent. Foreman Mitch Hummert reported that they replaced a piece on the water tower and the rip rap has been completed around the lake.

#### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

**HUNTERS POINT** 

Attorney Durso reported that on Tuesday, July 6, 2021, there will be an ordinance to approve the annexation and a zoning hearing on Wednesday, July 7, 2021, to review the engineering plans.

#### 17 N. HIGH STREET

Attorney Durso reported that he had a court hearing that had to be rescheduled due to the courthouse database being hacked. Additional papers were served to the property owner. Attorney Durso is hoping to draw this to a conclusion with the judge at the rescheduled hearing.

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

#### **COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE**

Mayor pro tem Becherer reported that there was a Committee As a Whole meeting on June 8, 2021. The items will be discussed under the Committee Reports. Trustee Rogers made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to approve the minutes from the Committee As a Whole meeting on

June 8, 2021. Roll call was taken: Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

## FINANCE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE

**ORDINANCE 964 APPROPRIATIONS** 

Trustee Rogers made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Mourey for Clerk Parker to read Ord. 964 by title only. Roll call was taken: Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

Trustee Rogers made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Mourey to approve Ord. 964 an ordinance providing for the annual appropriations of the Village of Smithton, St. Clair County, State of Illinois. Roll call was taken: Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

#### **STREET & UTILITY COMMITTEE**

STREET DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

Trustee Rogers reported that there was no update, still waiting for the truck bed.

## STREET DEPARTMENT UNIFORMS

Trustee Rogers reported they are still getting prices. He would like to discuss this at the next Committee As a Whole meeting.

#### **POLICE COMMITTEE**

POLICE PERSONNEL

Trustee Elbe made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Mourey to hire Travis Leroy as a full-time Police Officer as of June 26, 2021. Roll call was taken: Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

Travis Leroy was sworn in by Clerk Parker.

## IMPOUNDED VEHICLE

Trustee Elbe made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Mourey to authorize the payoff of the lien (not to exceed \$2000) for an impounded vehicle – 2013 Ford Taurus. Roll call was taken: Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

#### POLICE CAMERAS

Trustee Elbe would like to discuss this at the next Committee As a Whole meeting.

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## **PARK & CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

## SAA/PARK BUILDING

Trustee Henning reported that he has several bids on buildings for the park. This will be discussed at the next Committee As a Whole meeting.

SAA BATTING CAGE REQUEST - No update.

#### TRAIL STUDY GRANT

Trustee Henning reported that Engineer Saeger has submitted the paperwork to the MEPRD office for final approval.

## 911 DEDICATION

Trustee Henning reported that all invitations have been sent out to officials.

#### **MULCH PURCHASE**

Trustee Henning reported that a motion was approved to purchase the mulch. Dean just needs to move it to the appropriate storage place.

Trustee Elbe mentioned that the picnic tables at the park pavilions need to be bolted down. Trustee Henning said he would put a work order in.

#### **ORDINANCE COMMITTEE**

## **ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS**

Trustee Mourey reported that there have been ordinance violation notices sent out to vacant properties where the prior owners are deceased. Chief Neff stated we are waiting for replies. If nobody replies, then the street department will start mowing them and the Village will put liens on the property.

## CHAPTER 7-1-5 - PENALTY FOR OPERATING WITH EXPIRED BUSINESS LICENSES

No action taken tonight. This will be discussed at the next Committee As a Whole meeting.

## ORDINANCE 965 - BUSINESS LICENSE FEES

No action taken tonight. This will be discussed at the next Committee As a Whole meeting.

#### **ANNEXATION AND BUILDING COMMITTEE**

WILLOW OAK PROPERTY - No update.

## GROCERY STORE - No update

SALT STORAGE BUILDING - No update.

#### VILLAGE HALL GENERATOR

Trustee Hopkins reported that he is waiting on a bid from MC Electric.

#### CAMERA FOR VILLAGE SHED

Trustee Hopkins reported that the street department is working on the wifi.

#### VILLAGE HALL ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEM

Trustee Hopkins reported that the motion was approved last meeting to purchase the access control system. Chief Neff reported that he signed a contract for both buildings, and we should be looking at getting it in about three weeks.

#### **BILLS AND PAYROLL**

Trustee Rogers made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to authorize Clerk Parker to

pay payroll from May 15, 2021 through May 28, 2021. Roll call was taken: Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Clerk Parker reported next Thursday, June 24, 2021, is the mayors meeting. RSVP's need to be done by Friday, June 18, 2021.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS - No items.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **AUTO BODY QUOTE**

Trustee Mourey made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to authorize payment to Jerry's Truck & Auto Body for repairs to a 2011 Equinox that was hit by a Village vehicle for the amount of \$1,663.32. 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.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - None.

Trustee Rogers made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Mourey to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Motion was granted to adjourn at 7:53pm.