

Village of Smithton

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MAYOR,
MIKE SMALLWOOD

VILLAGE CLERK,
ANNETTE PARKER



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

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 5, 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 Mayor Smallwood, Clerk Parker, Engineer Saeger, Supervisor Klein, Chief Neff and Attorney Durso.

CLERK'S REPORT

The Board received a copy. A motion was made by Trustee Becherer which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to approve the minutes from the board meeting held on September 21, 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.

TREASURER'S REPORT – No Report.

GOOD OF THE VILLAGE

HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREATING

A motion was made by Trustee Becherer which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to approve trick or treating for Sunday, October 31, 2021, 6-9pm. 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.

Mayor Smallwood introduced Michelle Neff as the new hire for the Financial Clerk and Police Department Clerk position for the Village of Smithton.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Neff reported that the Police Department received 72 calls for service for the month of September. One citation was issued, the information has been provided to Attorney Durso with a court date for the end of October. Officer Diecker has completed and returned from his K9 training and has received his vehicle fully equipped for his K9 dog.

ENGINEER’S REPORT

4555, 4557 and 4563 ELK MEADOWS DRIVEWAYS

Engineer Saeger reported that he has spoken to a few residents at Elk Meadows, and they are requesting that the Village fix their driveways due to settlement. Elk Meadows will be added to Committee As a Whole agenda.

WATER TOWER MAINTENANCE AND PAINT TRIAL

Engineer Saeger reported that paint patches have been installed on the water tower and will be checked on in the spring. Saeger has received a proposal from Maguire Iron, Inc. Mayor Smallwood requested that The Water Tower Maintenance and American Rescue Plan Act be added to Committee As a Whole agenda.

VILLAGE HALL HVAC BIDS

Engineer Saeger reported that he has confirmation that Ameren received the application for pre-approval.

405 S. HICKORY STORM WATER CONNECTION TO SANITARY SEWER

Engineer Saeger reported November 1, 2021 is the deadline and he will inspect the property at that time.

CDBG INCOME SURVEY

Engineer Saeger reported that nineteen surveys have been completed and returned to the County.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY PARKS GRANT

Engineer Saeger reported that Trustee Henning will discuss this on his agenda.

HEALTH OFFICER’S REPORT – No report.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

There will be a Safety Committee Meeting October 7, 2021, at 10:00am if needed.

ZONING BOARD REPORT

ZONING BOARD HEARING SEPTEMBER 27, 2021

Engineer Saeger reported that a fence variance was granted.

ZONING BOARD HEARING OCTOBER 20, 2021

Engineer Saeger reported that two hearings will be held for shed variances.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Supervisor Klein reported that they are getting ready to start the project on Klein Dr. Klein reported that the International is ready to be taken in to be scrapped.

A motion was made by Trustee Rogers which was seconded by Trustee Mourey to authorize the scrapping of the International. 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.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT – No report.

Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to accept the Officer’s reports as given without supervisor’s report. All were in favor. Motion was granted.

Supervisor Klein arrived later to the meeting and gave his supervisors report.

Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to accept the Officer’s reports including supervisor’s report. All were in favor. Motion was granted.

COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE

Mayor Smallwood reported that there was a Committee As a Whole meeting on September 28, 2021. The 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 September 28, 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 – TRUSTEE BECHERER

OFFICE PERSONNEL

Trustee Becherer reported that the position has been filled.

CD ROLLOVER

Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to authorize the roll over of two CD’s at .25% for 12 months at Citizens Bank for Sewer \$300,000 and Water \$200,000. 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.

STREET & UTILITY COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE ROGERS

STREET DEPARTMENT UNIFORMS – No update

TREE TRIMMING REQUEST – 24 CASS ST

Trustee Rogers reported that the workorder has been completed for the trees.

POLICE COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE ELBE

POLICE VEHICLE MARKING

Trustee Elbe reported that the Police Department vehicle markings would be done this weekend.

POLICE DEPARTMENT COMPUTER

Trustee Elbe made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Mourey to authorize the purchase of a computer for the Police Department from CompuType not to exceed \$1,000. 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.

Trustee Elbe requested that Police Department Vehicle be added to Committee As a Whole agenda.

PARK & CEMETERY COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE HENNING

PARK COMMITTEE MEETING – SEPTEMBER 24, 2021

Trustee Henning reported that a Park Committee Meeting was held Friday, September 24, 2021.

APPROVAL OF PARK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 24, 2021

The Board received a copy. A motion was made by Trustee Henning which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to approve the minutes from the Park Committee meeting held on September 24, 2021. Roll call was taken: Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

FIELD 5 MODIFICATIONS – No update.

PARK CAMERAS – No update

SAA/PARK BUILDING

A motion was made by Trustee Henning which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to authorize the contract with Don Becker not to exceed \$35,000 for the park building. Roll call was taken: Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

SAA BATTING CAGE REQUEST – No update

TRAIL STUDY GRANT

Trustee Henning reported that the study is in progress and will take up to three or four months to complete.

Trustee Henning requested the Park Red Building be added to the Committee As a Whole agenda.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE MOUREY

ORDINANCE NO. 967 EMPLOYEES

A motion was made by Trustee Mourey which was seconded by Trustee Becherer to have Clerk Parker Read Ordinance No. 967 Employees – Michelle Neff by title only. Roll call was taken:

Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

A motion was made by Trustee Mourey which was seconded by Trustee Becherer to pass Ordinance No. 967 Employees – Michelle Neff. Roll call was taken: Trustee Mourey, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Rogers, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Henning, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes. Motion was granted.

ANNEXATION & BUILDING COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE HOPKINS

WILLOW OAK PROPERTY – No report.

GROCERY STORE

Trustee Hopkins reported they have a meeting scheduled with the bank for final approval.

SALT STORAGE BUILDING – No report.

VILLAGE HALL GENERATOR – No report.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to authorize Clerk Parker to pay bills and payroll from September 4, 2021, through September 17, 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

Clerk Parker reported that Freeburg Cross Country sent a thank you note complimenting us on how well the park was prepared and looked for the event.

Clerk Parker reported that the Mayor’s meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 28, 2021 at the Oyster Bar in Grafton, IL.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Smallwood requested to add Risk Management Annual Contribution to Committee As a Whole agenda.

Mayor Smallwood requested to add Village Hall Fountains to Committee As a Whole agenda.

Trustee Rogers reported that the walk/bike run at the park went well even with the inclement weather. Rogers wanted to thank the Village of Smithton for use of the park and complimented on how well the park looked.

Trustee Mourey asked about the broken section of sidewalk located on S Main St. Engineer Saeger stated that the final inspection was requested for later this week on the building and Saeger will ask for a date on when the sidewalk will be completed.

NEW BUSINESS – No items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – No session called.

Trustee Rogers made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Becherer to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Motion was granted to adjourn at 8:09pm.