

# 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 February 21, 2023

Mayor Mike Smallwood called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees Jason Becherer, Jim Elbe, Jim Hildreth, Jim Mourey, and Tim Hopkins answered roll call. Trustee Charlie Rogers was absent. Also present were Clerk Annette Parker, Engineer Scott Saeger, Chief Jason Neff, Supervisor Dean Klein, and Attorney Carmen Durso. Guests in attendance were Matt Combs, Blake Lindauer, Marian Bell, Kris & Larry Stein, Harry Moore, Lucas Moore, and Justin Buckley.

**CLERK'S REPORT** – A motion was made by Trustee Becherer which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting held on February 7, 2023. Roll call was taken: Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Hildreth, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; and Trustee Hopkins, yes. The motion was carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – The Board received a copy.

**GOOD OF THE VILLAGE** – Matt Combs and Blake Lindauer with Silver Creek Mafia were in attendance to ask the Village's permission to hold a side by side charity pub crawl September 9. A motion was made by Trustee Mourey which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to allow Silver Creek Mafia to hold the pub crawl on September 9 and wave all fees associated with permits. Roll call was taken: Trustee Mourey yes; Trustee Elbe yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Hildreth, yes; and Trustee Hopkins, yes. The motion was carried.

Residents were in attendance to voice their concerns with the property at 311 S. Julia and the business (Hy-Dac) at 9 W. Franklin.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT** – No report.

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

**ISSUED BUILDING PERMITS** – There was one building permit issued since the last meeting.

**DCEO GRANT – VILLAGE HALL GENERATOR** – No update.

WATER TOWER RESTORATION MAINTENANCE PLAN – Engineer Saeger reported that the contract has been revised and it has been shared with the Trustees for their review. He stated that he is comfortable with the contract and will give a recommendation to move forward.

WATER TOWER CROSS TIE – Engineer Saeger reported that in order to keep pressure in the system when the tank's offline we need to have a pipe and valve installed between the inlet line right after the FSH meter and the outlet line from the water tower. Engineer Saeger has requested a price for that work from Haier Plumbing. We will also have a Plan B in case we need temporary tanks.

159 TURN LANE STU APPLICATION – No update.

ENGINEERING ASSISTANT – No update.

NORCOM 2000 – No update.

**SAFETY COMMITTEE** – There will be a Safety Committee Meeting March 2, 2023, at 10:00am if needed.

**ZONING BOARD REPORT** – A Zoning Hearing was held for a variance request for a setback reduction for a shed. The variance was granted by the Zoning Board.

**SUPERVISORS REPORT** – Supervisor Klein stated that their main focus right now is the widening the park trail.

304 EUGENIA PIPE REPLACEMENT – This is on hold until the park trail widening is complete.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT** – No report.

Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to accept the Officer's reports. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

**PARK AND CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING** – Trustee Hildreth reported on the meeting. The park trail and the area behind the ball diamonds was discussed.

Trustee Hildreth made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Hopkins to have Right Way replace the fence along the 3<sup>rd</sup> base line with a taller fence to protect the new building not to exceed \$10,000. Roll call was taken: Trustee Hildreth, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; and Trustee Mourey, yes. The motion was carried.

Trustee Elbe made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Hildreth to approve the minutes from the Park and Cemetery Committee meeting on February 13, 2023. Roll call was taken:

Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Hildreth, yes; Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; and Trustee Hopkins, yes. The motion was carried.

**FINANCE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE BECHERER**

BUDGET – All Trustees should be reviewing the budget.

CDs – No report.

**STREET & UTILITY COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE ROGERS**

SOUTH MAIN PROPERTIES – No updates.

**POLICE COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE ELBE**

HY-DAC PROPERTY – Attorney Durso is handling this.

TORNADO ALARM SYSTEM – No update.

**PARK & CEMETERY COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE HILDRETH**

BATTING CAGE LIGHTS – March 3 the poles will be set.

TRAIL PHASE 1 – PARK TRAIL UPGRADES – Our Public Works Department is continuing work to widen the existing trail at the park.

POCKET PARK – It was reported that this will be removed from the agenda.

FENCE REPAIR – We are moving forward with Right Way to get the fence repaired.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE MOUREY** – No report.

**ANNEXATION & BUILDING COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE HOPKINS**

VILLAGE HALL SIGN – Mr. Sprengel is getting some metal prices and will get back with us with a quote.

VILLAGE HALL GENERATOR – We are waiting on Ameren for the replacement of the gas service line.

**BILLS AND PAYROLL** - Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to authorize Clerk Parker to pay the payroll from January 21, 2023 through February 3, 2023. Roll call was taken: Trustee Becherer, yes; Trustee Elbe, yes; Trustee Hildreth, yes; Trustee Mourey, yes; and Trustee Hopkins, yes. The motion was carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS** – None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None.

**NEW BUSINESS** – None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – None.

Trustee Elbe made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Hildreth to adjourn. All Trustees were in favor. The motion was granted to adjourn at 8:06 pm.