

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF SCOTTVILLE, MICHIGAN**

The 1419th Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on February 5, 2018 and called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Krieger.

Clerk Howe administered the oath of office to Second Ward Commissioner Ann Genson.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Commissioners	Leon Begue Sally Cole Connie Duncil Ann Genson Sue Petipren Marcy M. Spencer
Mayor	Bruce Krieger

Also in attendance were City Manager Williams, Clerk Howe, Officer Skinner and Attorney Thompson.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Begue, to approve the 1418th Regular Meeting Minutes with the correction to the last page. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion, by Cole and seconded by Spencer, to approve the bills in the amount of \$89,996.92. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

The monthly Rural Fire Authority Minutes were submitted for review.

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Cole, to close the regular Commission meeting and open the public hearing for the purpose of discussing the USDA funding for a 2018 police cruiser. Motion carried.

Williams stated the City currently owns two Dodge Charger patrol cars, which are the 2008 and 2013 models. The 2008 car has had costly mechanical problems and needs to be replaced. The City has an opportunity to purchase a 2018 Ford Inceptor, which is a SUV cross over. The cost for the car through the State's purchasing program is \$26,195 and the cost to outfit the vehicle for patrol use is approximately \$11,000. Williams has been in contact with USDA Rural Development and they have agreed to give the City \$20,000 in grant money to be used toward the cost of the new patrol car.

No attorney comments were received.

Petipren likes the look of the vehicle.

Genson noted it is a fancy vehicle.

Krieger is looking forward to having a car that is not always broke down.

Rob Alway stated it is a cool vehicle.

Moved, by Begue and seconded by Spencer, to close the public hearing and re-open the regular Commission meeting. Motion carried.

REPORTS CITY MANAGER

Williams stated she issued a zoning permit to Five Cap to build a 24 x 72 foot structure across from the G2S School. The building will be used for classrooms for pre-school age children.

The DPW smoke tested the storm sewer line on South Elm Street, but did not find any problems there.

Williams noted all the ornamental light poles in the business district have been repaired, except for the ones located in front of Lundquist's Furniture. An employee for Consumers Energy believes they were damaged underground somehow during the Main Street project that took place a couple of years ago. They have a work order in place, but Williams doubts anything will be done until spring or summer.

Williams stated the police department has found the person responsible for damaging the sign at Riverside Park. The sign was so severely damaged that it will have to be replaced and the cost will be covered under the City's insurance company. Williams contacted North Woods Signs about replacing the sign and she asked for a quote and some designs to choose from, which she will share with the Commissioners for their input.

At the last meeting, Mike Shaw asked the Commission to consider scheduling another meeting regarding the Marijuana issue that focuses on reasons for not allowing a medical dispensary to open up in Scottville. Williams stated she has tentatively scheduled an Ordinance Committee meeting for February 21 and is still working out the location for it to be held. Sheriff Kim Cole has been invited to be the guest speaker. Begue contacted Williams before the Commission meeting with concerns that unless the focus of the meeting will be medical Marijuana and not anything regarding the recreational use of Marijuana that the meeting be cancelled. Williams stated she would contact Cole and confirm the subject of his presentation.

State statute requires nine members be elected to the Charter Commission. For a City the size of Scottville, that will make it difficult to happen so Williams spoke to Representative VanderWall about the possibility of the State reducing that number according to the size of the municipality. VanderWall stated he would do some research and report back to Williams what he finds out.

CITY ATTORNEY

Thompson stated he filed a lawsuit against the property owner of 203 Crowley Street. He will update the Commissioners on the progress.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officer Skinner stated she loves the new computer that was installed in the patrol car and she is looking forward to driving the new vehicle.

TREASURER'S REPORT

No reports were available.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Rob Alway, Chairman of the Planning Commission discussed the draft of the City Master Plan that was submitted to the City Commission for review. He noted that approximately 90% of the content was from the previous Master Plan. He stated in order to receive grant money for future development within the City those goals have to be identified in the Master Plan even if those goals do not become a reality. The basis for the goals and objectives came from a survey that was distributed to the residents. Some of the highlights of Alway's presentation included, but were not limited to:

- Create a new downtown park near the Optimist building
- Extend the streets that are platted, but not developed, such as Gay, E. Beryl, etc.
- Identified the property of the Old School House, the Optimist Building and South Bean Street as areas to be redeveloped

Williams stated if the Commission is ready to move forward with the draft the next step is to submit it to all the surrounding townships and the County Planning Commission. The townships will have 65 days in which to comment to the City and to the County Planning Commission. The County Planning Commission will have up to 95 days to submit their comments to Williams. A public hearing will then be scheduled. Genson noted the first word in the second to the last paragraph on page 11 should be statistics instead of statics. She noted on page 8 that the City of Scottville Land Use Plan uses the date of 1993 and is concerned this is old information. Genson also noted the numbers in the land use chart do not add up to the total amount. Krieger thanked Alway and the Planning Commission for all their work on the Master Plan.

NEW BUSINESS

Williams stated in the pre-meeting notes she asked the Commission to approve the City's cost of a new police cruiser for an amount up to \$21,195 based on the original \$15,000 grant from the USDA Rural Development, but the total amount will more than likely be \$5,000 less once she receives confirmation that the City was indeed awarded a \$20,000 grant. Motion, by Cole and seconded by Spencer, to approve the funds for a new police cruiser. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

None.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Begue had some articles associated with Marijuana use, dispensaries and tobacco use that he was willing to share with the other Commissioners.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Spencer and seconded by Genson to adjourn. So carried at 6:07 p.m.

Bruce Krieger, Mayor

Deborah A. Howe, Clerk