

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

The 1378th Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on May 16, 2016 and called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Maki.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Commissioners	Leon Begue Sally Cole Connie Duncil Bruce Krieger Richard L. Maki Marcy M. Spencer
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Absent	Ann Genson
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Also in attendance were City Manager Williams, Clerk Howe and Chief Riley.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Krieger and seconded by Spencer, to approve the 1377th Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion, by Cole and seconded by Duncil, to approve the bills in the amount of \$47,587.61. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

Williams stated the monthly Rural Fire Authority Minutes were submitted for review.

**REPORTS
CITY MANAGER**

● Reminded everyone that the spring clean up was scheduled to be held May 21.

- City Hall was built in 1916 and to commemorate its 100th anniversary an open house is being planned to be held in July or August.
- Bids were opened for the North Main Street project. The low bidder was Hallack Contracting in the amount of \$295,958.85, which was \$20,744.81 lower than the engineers estimate.
- Met with Amber Township's supervisor and discussed the 425 Agreement. Their township meeting is scheduled for May 23rd and a decision is expected at that time.
- Planning Commission is working on making changes to the sign ordinance. The first reading will presented to the Commission at their June 6th meeting.

CITY ATTORNEY

Thompson was not in attendance. No reports were available.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Officers continue to remind residents of the spring cleanup that is scheduled for May 21.
- Officers investigated a B & E at North Country Café.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Williams noted the monthly financial reports were submitted for review. Krieger asked several questions and Williams was able to answer most of them, but stated she would contact him with the answers that she did not have readily available.

DDA REPORT

- Most of the islands in the west parking lot are cleaned out and have fresh mulch in them.
- In the process of having a sign designed for each sponsor that has adopted an island.
- Curbs in the islands will be painted white.
- Flower baskets will be delivered soon.
- By-pass sign project is making progress. The signs will encourage motorists to visit the business district.
- Celebrating Success event is scheduled for June 7. Sales, music and giveaways will take place between 4-7 p.m.

- The first night of the summer concerts at the Clown Band Shell will be held June 7.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Old Business # 2 – Utility Cart for Riverside Park

OLD BUSINESS

Williams stated the DDA is asking approval to close South Main Street for two events that are scheduled to take place this year. The first closure is for Summerfest from State Street to the driveway of Dollar General and it will be held on Saturday, July 9th from 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. A second closure request for the Harvest Festival would be from 7:00 a.m. on September 15th through 12:00 p.m. on September 18th. Williams noted a carnival catering to young children will make their first appearance at this year's festival and along with all the usual events and some new ones that are in the planning stages this year's festival will be a family friendly event for all ages. Motion, by Duncil and seconded by Spencer, to approve the street closure requests. Motion carried.

Williams stated she had budgeted \$7,000.00 to purchase a new utility vehicle for Riverside Park in the new fiscal year. Williams noted the current vehicle has quit working and would cost a small fortune to fix it. The employees use the vehicle on a daily basis and they cannot wait until July 1 to buy a replacement. The DPW is recommending the City purchase a golf cart with a box attached to it. This would serve the employees needs sufficiently and save the City a lot of money. Dan Quinn who was in the audience noted he just acquired a vehicle that would work out perfectly for the park rangers. Motion, by Krieger and seconded by Spencer, to allow Williams to spend up to \$3,000 before the end of the current fiscal year for a golf cart. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Representatives from the Mason County Rural Fire Authority attended the meeting asking for the Commissioners support for the upcoming mileage requests that will be on the August ballot. They will be asking for a 1 mill renewal request plus a .5 mill additional request that will be used to fund aging equipment. The equipment they would be purchasing would not be the top of the line, but would meet current standards. It was noted that the MCRFA currently has no debt. Krieger, who served on the MCRFA's Board, spoke highly of the well-trained volunteers. Motion, by Begue and seconded by Krieger, to support the equipment needs of the MCRFA. Motion carried.

Williams stated a copy of the resolution to award the construction contracts for the water main replacement project to B & L Excavating, LLC in the amount of \$1,761,240 and the tank painting to MC Sandblasting & Painting in the amount of \$58,400 were submitted to the Commission for approval. The contracts are conditional on receiving the loan and completion of the necessary financial arrangements with USDA Rural Development by the deadline in June. Motion, by Duncil and seconded by Cole, to approve the construction contracts as presented. Motion carried.

Williams stated a revised copy of the bond ordinance was submitted for review. It is a 40-year revenue bond not to exceed the amount of \$2,094,000. She noted the City is required to set money aside for future repairs and improvements that can be used when needed. Motion, by Krieger and seconded by Spencer, to approve the resolution to approve the bond ordinance as presented. Motion carried. Roll Call Vote:

Begue – Yes	Cole – Yes
Duncil – Yes	Krieger – Yes
Maki – Yes	Spencer – Yes
Genson – Absent	

Williams stated the USDA loan resolution to approve the loan for Series A in the amount of \$ 1,654,000.00 for the water system improvement project was submitted for approval. Motion, by Krieger and seconded by Spencer, to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried.

Williams stated the USDA loan resolution for the additional \$440,000 loan needed to complete the water main project was submitted for approval. Motion, by Begue and seconded by Cole, to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Dale Larr asked if the lines to the hydrants will be upgraded during the water main project to allow the tanks on the fire trucks to be filled when needed.

Williams stated that yes they would be upgraded.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Krieger thanked the residents who have made an effort to fight the blight problems and urged others who have been contacted by City Hall to cooperate because it only is to everyone's advantage.

Duncil noted long time resident Mary Tracy would be celebrating her 100th birthday in the near future and she would like to have the City send her a birthday card to celebrate this milestone.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Spencer seconded by Duncil to adjourn. So carried at 6:17 p.m.

Richard Maki, Mayor

Deborah A. Howe, Clerk