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

The 1384th Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on August 15, 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
Ann Genson
Bruce Krieger
Richard L. Maki
Marcy M. Spencer

Also in attendance were City Manager Williams, Clerk Howe, Chief Riley, Treasurer Shaffer and Attorney Thompson.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Krieger and seconded by Cole, to approve the 1383rd Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion, by Begue and seconded by Spencer, to approve the bills in the amount of $116,772.68. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Ed Hahn asked Williams to clarify the check to the Mason County Treasurer.

Williams stated it was payment made towards the sewer debt and the 2001 water main project on South Main Street.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

Williams stated correspondence was submitted from the Mason County Board of Commissioners regarding a public hearing that is
scheduled for October 27 to discuss a request from American Waste to transfer waste from Mason County to Wexford County.

REPORTS
CITY MANAGER

● DPW has completed their portion of the demolition of the swimming pool on North Thomas. The contractor is expected to complete the demo and fill in the hole sometime this week.
● Interviews for the DPW position will be held Tuesday, August 16.
● Ordinance Committee recently met to discuss the issue of vicious dogs. Williams noted the committee is not looking to ban any breed of dog, but are looking for ways to tweak the dog ordinance to make it safer for the community.
● Gateway 2 Success Academy will be holding an open house on Friday, August 19th from 6-8 p.m.
● Contractor has been working to tie in the residents to the new water main on the north side. Residents are being informed when they will be without water during this process.
● Williams had a progress meeting earlier in the day. The contractor is behind schedule for various reasons and it appears that Broadway and Maple streets may not be completed before school starts. Williams stated she has a meeting scheduled later this month at the school to discuss this issue. Williams stated she may have to enforce liquidated damages against the contractor because of the problem this will cause. Milling on Scott and East Second Street will take place shortly in preparation of the water project starting on that end of the City. The painting of the interior of the water tower will be delayed until next spring.

CITY ATTORNEY

● Working with the Ordinance Committee regarding the food vendor ordinance.
● Assisting the Ordinance Committee regarding the issues of vicious dogs.
● Will assist Williams if liquidated damages have to be enforced against the contractor for the water main project.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Riley stated he obtained a list of all the dogs that are registered in the City that he hopes will assist his department when dealing with dog complaints.
TREASURER’S REPORT

Williams stated the auditors were in house the previous week and they will be back in September to meet with the Finance Committee and then the audit will be presented to the whole Commission in October.

Williams introduced Kathy Shafer, who was hired as the new treasurer.

DDA REPORT

Williams stated the plans for the Harvest Festival should be finalized on Wednesday. She noted they have a great line up of events for this year’s festival.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Williams stated she talked to a contractor about painting the ornamental light poles and was given an estimate of $10,000. She noted the City owns the poles and Consumers Energy maintains the electrical portion, but they are not responsible for the upkeep of the exterior of the pole. Williams will contact Consumers Energy to see if they have any suggestions that are less costly. She will also contact Great Lakes Energy and some other local organizations to see if they have grant money available for beautification projects.

NEW BUSINESS

Williams stated several trees on Fifth and Scott Streets were removed in preparation of the water main project that will take place in that portion of the City this fall. The absence of the trees has left the area looking quite bare and she anticipates the residents will be contacting City Hall about replacing the trees that were removed. She placed a request on a list serve that Michigan City managers use and asked for suggestions on what other municipalities have done that have gone through the same situation as Scottville is experiencing. She submitted those responses to the Commission to review and will be approaching them in the near future for a list of acceptable trees to plant. She is recommending trees that will not get too big should be taken into consideration for the list.

Williams stated Mason County School is sponsoring a Fun Run that is being planned for September 30 starting at 6:00 p.m. and should be
completed by 8:00 p.m. Volunteers will be assigned along the route to help guide the runners so they stay on the course. Williams noted the route is in the north part of the City, but anticipates the construction crew will be finished and out of the area at the time the run is scheduled for. Motion, by Begue and seconded by Duncil, to approve the fun run as presented. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Ed Hahn asked if the new treasurer would be working under the City Manager or the Commission.

Williams stated she would be working under herself just like all the employees of the City do.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Krieger asked about the orange cones that have been sitting alongside the Shell Station.

Williams stated they were placed there by Consumers Energy after a streetlight was removed. She would try to contact them about finishing off the hole and removing the cones.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Genson seconded by Duncil to adjourn. So carried at 5:56 p.m.

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Richard Maki, Mayor          Deborah A. Howe, Clerk