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

The 1416th Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on December 18, 2017 and called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Krieger.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Commissioners  Leon Begue
                Sally Cole
                Connie Duncil
                Sue Petipren
                Marcy M. Spencer

Mayor           Bruce Krieger

Absent          Tom Donald

Also in attendance were City Manager Williams, Clerk Howe, Officer Babinec, Treasurer Shafer-Headworth and Attorney Thompson.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Cole and seconded by Duncil, to approve the 1415th Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Begue, to approve the bills in the amount of $33,164.43. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Matt Biolette from Republic Services gave a brief report about how the refuse and recycling services have gone over the past year noting about 78% of the businesses and homeowners are using the recycle carts, which is well above average. Residents are also taking advantage of putting out one bulky item per month and that is going smoothly. Overall, Biolette is very pleased with the way the recycle and refuse program is going in Scottville.

REPORTS
CITY MANAGER

City Hall will be closed December 22, 25, 29 and January 1 to observe the Christmas and New Year’s holidays.
At the next Commission meeting Commissioners will review the status of the abate nuisance regarding the property located at 203 Crowley Street. To date no improvements have been made to the exterior of the home.

This will be Commissioner Donald’s last meeting. Williams is accepting letters of interest for those wanting to fill the vacancy. An appointment has to be made no later than January 22nd. Williams noted she did receive one letter of interest from Ann Genson and the Commission could appoint her now or wait until next month. Krieger recommended they wait to see if any other resident in the second ward submits a letter.

The Planning Commission has completed the revised Master Plan and it is available at City Hall for the public to review. They are in the process of having it formatted into a draft that is easier to read. It will be presented to the Commission at their January 22nd meeting and if it is approved the process of adopting it will begin.

The sewer lift station that was damaged when it was hit by lightening has been repaired and is up and running again. The City’s insurance company will cover the costs ($8,000 - $10,000) for the repairs.

CITY ATTORNEY

No reports were available.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

No reports were available.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The monthly financial reports were submitted for review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None of the five committees met this past month. The Charter Committee is scheduled to meet in January to discuss the revisions to the Charter.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

OLD BUSINESS

A copy of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan was submitted for review. The first 2/3 of the plan is demographic information. The information regarding the goals and objectives of the Master Plan over the next five years begins on page 28. Williams asked the Commissioners to review the plan and take note of anything that they disagree on or that has been missed and share that information with her or at the public hearing scheduled for Thursday, January 4th.

NEW BUSINESS

The 2018 City Commission Meeting Dates were submitted for review. Williams noted in January the meetings are scheduled for the 2nd and 4th
Monday’s because January 1 falls on the first Monday and it being a month with five Monday’s. In September the first meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 4 because the first Monday is Labor Day. Motion, by Cole and seconded by Spencer, to approve the City Commission dates as presented. Motion carried.

The 2018 Planning Commission Meeting Dates were submitted for review. They meet at City Hall the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 with the exception of September; they will meet the second Tuesday of the month. Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Begue, to approve the Planning Commission Meeting Dates as presented. Motion carried.

The 2018 DDA Board Meeting Dates were submitted for review. The meetings are held at City Hall on the second Thursday of each month starting at 8:00 a.m. Motion, by Begue and seconded by Cole, to approve the DDA Meeting Dates as presented. Motion carried.

The 2018 Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Dates were submitted for review. They meet at City Hall on the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. although no meetings are scheduled for December. Williams did note that they will forfeit their regular January meeting for January 4th so they can hold a public hearing regarding their Master Plan. Motion, by Begue and seconded by Duncil, to approve the Parks and Recreation’s Meeting Dates as presented. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Bill Lehrbass asked if the Commission had given any further thought regarding the proposal to move the Scottville Fire Department out on U.S. 10.

Mayor Krieger stated the issue has been discussed and he is not in favor of moving the department nor does he believe the residents are because of the cost. Lehrbass noted it would not be wise to move the department out of the city limits because the residents would lose their fire ratings on their insurance policies.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Begue and seconded by Spencer to adjourn. So carried at 5:47 p.m.

Bruce Krieger, Mayor
Deborah A. Howe, Clerk