

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

The 1434th Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on September 17, 2018 and called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Krieger.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

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

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Genson and seconded by Spencer, to approve the 1433rd Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Cole, to approve the bills in the amount of \$243,623.86. Motion carried

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Bill Lehrbass, Scottville's representative with the MCRFA noted some of the trucks they ordered have arrived and the rest will be delivered by the end of the year. They are working on next year's budget.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

REPORTS CITY MANAGER

- Representative Curt Vanderwall will be having a coffee hour with the public on Monday, September 24 from 8-9 a.m. at City Hall.
- The Color Run event will be held Friday, September 21. This is a fundraiser for the MCC students in grades K-5. Members of the fire department and the police department will be helping out with traffic control.
- The pump the DPW uses to remove water from job sites needs to be replaced. The estimated cost for a new one is \$1,600. The old one has some value and will be sold.
- The new police cruiser has been delivered and once it is street ready it will be on display at a Commission meeting for everyone to see.
- The DPW has installed approximately 50 new pit meters. Williams has authorized them to work overtime on Saturdays to speed up the installation because the goal is to have them in place before winter makes an appearance.
- There has been a problem with people abusing the compost and brush piles behind the DPW building by placing metal, building materials, etc. in the piles. This causes extra expense on the City. If the problem does not cease, actions will be taken to stop the abuse by restricting their use.
- The old parking space lines were removed and new ones at a different angle were painted in the 100 block of South Main Street over the weekend.

CITY ATTORNEY

Thompson is hoping to contact the court appointed guardian for the homeowner of 203 Crowley so the issues at hand can be resolved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

No reports were available.

TREASURER'S REPORT

When the auditors were here this summer they found some major problems with the accounting program that happened during the conversion with the BS&A software. BS&A's support staff is trying to correct the problem and if it cannot be resolved quickly an in-house appointment will be scheduled with a BS&A employee and a Brickley Delong employee so they can work through the issues together.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None of the committee's met this past month, but the Finance/Ordinance committee will meet Tuesday, September 25 at 9:00 a.m.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

OLD BUSINESS

The City has a current ordinance for cross connections, but it is outdated and does not meet the language required by the DEQ regarding new DEQ standards. A cross connection could allow backflow into the City's water system if it is not installed correctly. In the past only commercial properties were tested, but now randomly selected homeowners are required to fill out a survey. Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Genson, to approve the first reading of the Cross Connection ordinance as presented. Motion carried.

Jabrocki Excavating has held the contract for snow plowing in the City for more than 20 years because he is the only one who has bid on the project. He plows the parking lots and Main Street between Broadway and the railroad tracks and State Street between Blaine and West Shore Bank. This year he is asking that the rate for the loader be increased by \$10.00 bringing it up to \$175.00 per hour. He will not be increasing the rate for the plow truck, which is \$60.00 per hour. Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Cole, to renew the snow plowing contract as presented with the exception of the portion regarding snow removal on sidewalks. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Before every election two people have to be appointed to serve with the Clerk on the Election Commission. Howe is recommending Williams and Riley be appointed for the General Election. The members approve the list of election inspectors, election chairpersons and other pertinent issues dealing with the election. Motion, by Genson and seconded by Spencer, to approve the members for the Election Commission as presented. Motion carried.

Krieger noted a serious erosion problem is occurring along the banks of the Pere Marquette River. Krieger has been in contact with a representative from the P.M. Watershed and Conservation Resource

Alliance and the rep from CRA has offered his assistance with the required permits and applying for grant money for the restoration project. The rep recommended the City work with the DNR for grant money and suggested the City offer a match of \$10,000 to make the grant application more appealing. The money will be worked into the 2019-2020 budget, but the City will apply for the grant money this fall. Even though Petipren is in favor of the restoration project, she is disappointed that money is not available to pave the back loop of the campground. Williams stated in April of 2019 she would be applying for grant money to pave the road and fix the pavilion, but because it is a known fact that the process of receiving grant money moves slowly, it is likely the funds will not be available until the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Cole, to approve a \$10,000 match toward the grant application for the P.M. River Bank restoration project. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

None.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Spencer and seconded by Genson to adjourn. So carried at 6:04 p.m.

Bruce Krieger, Mayor

Deborah A. Howe, Clerk