The 1442nd Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on January 21, 2019 and called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem Spencer.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Commissioners
Rob Alway
Sally Cole
Connie Duncil
Sue Petipren
Marcy M. Spencer

Absent
Bruce Krieger

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Alway and seconded by Duncil, to approve the 1441st Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion, by Alway and seconded by Duncil, to approve the bills in the amount of $58,347.57. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Williams submitted information regarding the Michigan Municipal League’s Capital Conference scheduled for March 19 and 20 in Lansing. Anyone interested should contact Williams so she can register them.

REPORTS

CITY MANAGER

Senator VanderWall will hold his coffee hour at City Hall from 8-9 a.m. on Monday, January 28.
● The new salt spreader has been installed on the back of the pickup truck and is ready to use when needed.
● Thirty-three residents failed to fill out a survey that is a requirement from the MDEQ regarding cross connections. Another letter will be sent to the property owners asking for their cooperation in filling out the survey within fifteen days or risk having their water turned off. The survey can be filled out online, but for those who have no internet or computer a paper form is available.
● Williams is still waiting for grant money for the police cruiser that is delayed as a result of the federal government being shut down.

CITY ATTORNEY

Thompson has been researching information at the court house and following up on some blight and zoning issues.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

No reports were available.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The monthly financial reports were submitted for review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance/Ordinance
● A meeting is scheduled for January 25.

Infrastructure
● Did not meet.

Building and Grounds
● Did not meet.

Personnel
● Exit interviews
● New Commissioner packets
● Employee Compensation Spreadsheet
● Cross Training
● Follow up on dog issues.
● Website
● Wages and employment for police dept.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

New Business # 4 – Establish Scottville Day
OLD BUSINESS

To date there have been three residents who have submitted letters of interest for the 1st Ward Commissioner vacancy. The residents will be interviewed before the whole Commission starting at 4:30 on February 4. This is an open meeting and any citizen is welcome to attend. The interviews will give the Commissioners a chance to meet each candidate and ask them questions before appointing someone later during the regular scheduled Commission meeting that will follow the interviews. That person will serve on the Commission until the next General Election, which will be held in November of 2020.

NEW BUSINESS

The DDA Board is recommending Russell Scholtens be appointed to their board to fill a vacancy. The term will end December 31, 2022. Motion, by Alway and seconded by Petipren, to appoint Russell Scholtens to the DDA Board. Motion carried. Alway is pleased to see business owners show an interest in serving on the DDA Board.

Williams stated the annual Household Waste Program is an important opportunity to get rid of hazardous waste products in a safe and proper way. The organization is asking the City of Scottville to contribute $475.00 toward the cause, but Williams is recommending they round it up to $500.00. The event will be held August 17 at the Mason County Road Commission. Duncil has volunteered her services for the past couple of years and stated it is a well worth cause.

Angela Taylor noted MCC Schools has started a program that focuses on health and family events. On February 22 a Cocoa Shuffle is planned that will encourage people to get out and walk around the City. Participants will begin and finish at the high school. Upon returning to the school everyone will be treated to refreshments and a movie. She is asking for support from local public service agencies to help with traffic control. This event is open to the public.

Alway noted through research he learned that Scottville was incorporated as a City on February 17, 1907. Each year Alway would like to recognize this achievement by celebrating Scottville Day at the first Commission meeting that is scheduled following February 17. He would like to offer refreshments to the public after the meeting. Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Duncil, to approve the resolution to establish Scottville Day as presented. Motion carried.
HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

None.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Cole seconded by Alway to adjourn. So carried at 5:53 p.m.

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Marcy M. Spencer, Mayor Pro-Tem      Deborah A. Howe, Clerk