The 1454th Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on July 15, 2019 and called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Krieger.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

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

Mayor
Bruce Krieger

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Cole, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Benyo and seconded by Spencer, to approve the 1453rd Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion, by Alway and seconded by Spencer, to approve the bills in the amount of $35,154.13. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Linda Holden asked for an explanation regarding the Traffic Control order for no parking on First Street and was told the street is too narrow to allow for parked vehicles and traffic has to swerve into the oncoming lane when they drive around the parked vehicles making for a dangerous situation.
COMMUNICATIONS

Magaluk received correspondence regarding substance free park signage from Emily Merten, an intern for District Health Department #10.

REPORTS
CITY MANAGER

Magaluk has spent her first week on the job familiarizing herself with the City. She appreciates the warm welcome she has received from everyone.

CITY ATTORNEY

Thompson has a list of projects he is working on and will try to discuss those with Magaluk sometime within the next few days.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The 10 & 31 Celebration went very well with no major incidents being reported.

TREASURER’S REPORT

No reports were available.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

New Business # 4 – Drug Free Zone Signs
New Business # 5 – Utility Vehicle Bids

OLD BUSINESS

Motion, by Benyo and seconded by Alway, to approve the resolution of Traffic Control Order for no parking on First Street as presented. A ninety-day temporary Traffic Order was approved at a previous meeting until this resolution could be passed. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Cole, to approve the resolution to appoint City Manager Magaluk as Scottville’s Street Administrator. Motion carried.

Donna Thomas, 309 North Main, submitted a letter of interest for the vacancy as a representative to the LMTA. Mrs. Thomas has been a
resident for 15 years and rides the LMTA bus frequently to doctor’s appointments in Ludington. Motion, by Alway and seconded by Petipren, to appoint Donna Thomas as Scottville’s representative to the LMTA. Motion carried.

Magaluk noted this past March a public hearing was held to allow the submittal of a DNR grant for the Optimist property. The grant would be used to make improvements to the grounds and will result in a park like setting and will include a sculpture that will be part of the Mason County Sculpture Trail. It appears the grant money could not be used for the Optimist Building, which is a key part of the project, so other sources of grant money are being sought. One option is through the MEDC, but because of some changes that are occurring within the department the City needs to move forward immediately to have a chance of being approved for funding the project. Motion, by Alway and seconded by Spencer, to allow Magaluk to submit a letter of interest for MEDC Public Facility Project grant funds. Motion carried. Once the letter is submitted, their leadership team will review it and if there is interest the City will be asked to submit a formal application

Emily Merten an intern at the District Health Department # 10 contacted Magaluk about installing Substance Free Park Signage at playgrounds throughout Mason County. She identified MacPhail Field and Riverside Park as child-play areas that would benefit from the signs. There would be no cost to the City for the signs as funding will come from the Northwest Michigan Chronic Disease Preventer coalition. Motion, by Alway and seconded by Cole, to allow the District Health Department to move forward with the sign project as presented. Motion carried.

The employees of Riverside Park have used a golf cart for several years and it is in very rough shape and needs to be replaced. Park Manager Bershing sought several bids for an utility vehicle and submitted those bids for consideration from the Commission. A short discussion was held and it was decided to go with the John Deere Gator for two reasons; it has the biggest cargo bed of all the models and it can be bought through the State’s purchasing program. Motion, by Alway and seconded by Spencer, to purchase the new utility vehicle as presented from Bader and Sons Company from Big Rapids at a cost of $8,100. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Last year, Steve Winters purchased three lots at 313 South Elm Street and he wanted to discuss some issues with his property, but he was referred back to the Planning Commission for further discussion.
Roy Holden was concerned about the condition of some of the streets and alleys in the City and was told funds have been allocated in the budget for making improvements to Local Streets and they will consider the condition of the alleys for future improvements.

Linda Holden asked if it would be possible to have a blower installed on the Gator utility vehicle that was just purchased and use it to clear snow from the main streets that students use to walk to school.

Bill Lehrbass presented a MIA/POW flag to the City that will be placed on the flag pole in front of City Hall.

**COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Petipren stated it appears that there is a resident on North Reinberg that has a business repairing vehicles on their property.

Alway recommended future agendas be amended so that Additions to the Agenda be placed as item # 4 instead of item # 10.

Petipren noted how beautiful the flower baskets are this year and is happy with the condition of the cemetery.

**ADJOURN**

It was moved by Spencer and seconded by Cole to adjourn. So carried at 6:05 p.m.

Bruce Krieger, Mayor

Deborah A. Howe, Clerk