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

The 1458th Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on September 16, 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

Mayor: Bruce Krieger

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

New Business #6- Rezoning of 202 N. Thomas St.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion, by Krieger and seconded by Cole, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Benyo and seconded by Duncil, to approve the 1457th regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Krieger noted the unusually large bill total. Magaluk explained this was due to summer tax reconciliation with the County. Motion, by Cole and seconded by Alway, to approve the bills in the amount of $436,803.95. Motion carried.
HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Todd McVicker presented the idea of creating a “Community Garden” at 202 N. Main St. Krieger noted this property is currently owned by Blarney Castle Inc, we would need permission from them to approve project. Cole suggested McVicker contact United Methodist Church of Ludington for initial information, as they currently have a similar successful operation. Alway suggested McVicker propose the idea to the DDA Board at the upcoming meeting on October 10th.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

REPORTS

CITY MANAGER

Manager Magaluk’s report was submitted for review. Nothing additional to add.

CITY ATTORNEY

Thompson provided an update on the nuisance abatement for the property located at 112 South Reinberg Ave. Resident is still within the allotted 21 days for rebuttal, however has verbally communicated she intends to comply. Will continue to monitor progress on this issue.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Riley’s police report was submitted for review. Nothing additional to add.

Treasurer’s Report

None
OLD BUSINESS

#1: City Manager Magaluk discussed preliminary scoring for the Optimist Property Grant through the MDNR. Low qualifying scores (240/500) have led the commission to agree as a whole to respectfully withdraw our application at this time. Magaluk will continue to pursue the grant for CDBG funding. This would be used towards the acquisition and renovations on the Optimist building. Sue Devries with MEDC has been supportive in preparation for submittal. Magaluk will be putting together a potential site plan, expense/income report, in addition to identifying compliance requirements for current rental specifications. To be considered for funding in August 2020 the City will need to have all listed materials gathered by 10/31/2019.

#2: Magaluk and Attorney Thompson will be meeting to go over the current dog ordinance. Will bring proposed revisions for review at a later date.

#3: Attorney Thompson provided insight on both the Charter Amendment, and Precinct Consolidation. A charter revision committee of 9 people would be required to proceed with the proposition of any potential changes to our current Charter. Legal specifications would demand any members of said committee to be city residents, excluding any current commission members. Both items are extremely complex, Magaluk and Thompson will continue to work with the BOE and state contacts to conclude a best course of action.

#5 County Administrator, Fabian Knizack, was in attendance to help present Mason County’s proposal to participate in the Lift Station 1 project, including potential purchase of 26.71% of Lift Station 1. This percentage equals their ownership interest in the US-10 sewer trunk line between Meyer Rd and Scottville city limits. The approved expenditure by the County is not to exceed $257,000, which equals the proportionate share of the $962,000 improvement project. The City’s estimated obligation for the Lift Station 1 reconstruction project would be reduced to $252,910. As a part of this offer, Mason County would like to ensure that Scottville is also taking the necessary action to address our inflow and infiltration issues, as these impact the capacity of the shared system. Magaluk has reached out to Prein & Newhof for assistance in the development in a scope of work and cost estimate for said repairs. Mason County is also recommending that the City establish a contingency fund held by the County for future repairs to the infrastructure system. The suggested contribution is approximately $5000 per year. Motion, by Alway and seconded by Benyo, to accept the County’s offer. Motion carried.
NEW BUSINESS

#1: Motion, by Alway and seconded by Cole, to approve the retirement agreement for City Clerk Howe. Motion carried.

#2: Motion, by Kreiger and seconded by Alway, to approve the appointment of Kelse Lester as City Clerk. Motion carried.

#3: Motion, by Alway and seconded by Benyo, to approve the purchase of glowsticks by the Police Department for 2019 Trick-or-Treating. Motion carried.

#4: Magaluk requesting approval to advertise two available chairs on the DDA Board with Ludington Daily News, Facebook, and City of Scottville website. Approved by consensus.

#5: Magaluk requesting approval to attend MML Convention 9/25/19-9/27/19 in Detroit. Approved by consensus.

#6: Public hearing set for 10/7/19 for the rezoning of 202 N Thomas from CBD to R-3. Structure to be used as a multi-family rental property.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Fabian Knizacky commended Magaluk on the explanation of the Lift Station 1 project to the board. In addition, he applauds the boards decision to accept the County’s offer.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Discussion was held on increasing time allowed for individual citizens to speak at meetings from 3 to 5 minutes. No change was motioned.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Cole and seconded by Benyo to adjourn. So carried at 6:13 p.m.

Bruce Krieger, Mayor
Kelse Lester, Clerk