

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

The 1479th Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held August 19th, 2020 at Riverside Park, 700 S Scottville Rd. Called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Bruce Krieger.

Roll Call:

Present:

Connie Duncil
Sally Cole
Marcy Spencer
Brian Benyo
Mayor Bruce Krieger

Absent: Ryan Graham
Rob Alway

Also, in attendance: City Manager Magaluk, Chief Murphy, Clerk Lester, and Attorney Alvarado.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Cole to approve the 1478th regular meeting minutes.

Krieger requested the addition of Attorney Alvarado's attendance be reflected in the minutes.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion, by Benyo and seconded by Spencer to approve the bills in the amount of \$71,815.12.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Glenn Jackson introduced himself as a candidate running for 79th District Judge.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mason County Planning and Zoning Commission letter provided. Draft of Master Plan Update released. This is a standard process which allows opportunity to comment. Magaluk forwarded to Alway as chairman of the Planning Commission. Ludington Mass Transit Authority minutes provided.

PRESENTATIONS:

Matt Biolette the Municipal Services Manager through Republic services provided statistical literature and an update on waste management through the COVID 19 crisis. He shared some of the ways they are working to ensure public safety for our residents, and Republic Service employees.

REPORTS:

A. City Manager:

Report provided. Magaluk had nothing to add.

B. City Attorney:

Alvarado is working diligently on a number of contracts, resolutions, and blight cases. He is also preparing for upcoming police actions in court.

C. Police Department:

Murphy provided the department has been dealing with a significant amount of drug activity. They will continue to work with the SCENT team in pursuit of like crimes. They received the Angel Armor vests donated by West Shore Bank and Kevin Wulff. This new gear is much more user friendly and offers a variety of orthopedic health benefits. Officer Skinner will be switching to the day shift. Chief Murphy will be performing administrative duties from home during that time, and will be

on active duty at night. Fire arms training for all officers will commence this fall.

D. Committee:

- a. Ordinance: Spencer updated the committee on blight issues currently underway. They discussed commercial lot mowing enforcement, parking enforcement, and winter sidewalk maintenance.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Motion, by Benyo and seconded by Spencer to close the 1479th Regular Commission Meeting, and open as the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion carried.

A. Set back variance at 202 Thomas.

Magaluk noted this is a familiar topic to the Commission. The building was rezoned last fall (2019) from commercial to residential. The porte cochère is no longer conforming to setbacks under the new zoning. Approval of this variance is a prerequisite to obtaining the necessary building permits required to move forward with this project.

David Nicholson; one of the owners at 202 Thomas St, was present to introduce himself, and answer any possible questions.

Motion, by Benyo and seconded by Cole to approve the set back variance at 202 Thomas St.

Motion carried.

Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Duncil to close the public hearing and reconvene the 1479th Regular Commission Meeting.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. 404 S Main St Declaration of Blight/Nuisance

Owner of this property (Becky Dodson) is deceased. Attorney Alvarado has been working on the best course of legal action to determine who is responsible for maintenance of the property.

Motion, by Benyo and seconded by Spencer to adopt the resolution allowing Attorney Alvarado to move forward with

nuisance abatement at 404 S. Main St, provide public notice for
30 days from today's date.
Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENT:

Krieger questioned the railroad ties by the tracks. Magaluk informed the Commission the railroad has communicated they will be removing them, but could not provide a set date.

Krieger asked for confirmation of the next meeting location. Magaluk provided the pavilion has been reserved for all meetings through the end of October. Dependent upon any change in executive order. Alvarado suggested adopting a new resolution allowing the Mayor to make decisions of this nature without formal action.

ADJOURN:

It was moved by Spencer, and seconded by Cole to adjourn.
So, carried at 6:22 P.M.
Motion carried.

Recognize



Bruce Krieger, Mayor



Kelse Lester, Clerk