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

The 1412<sup>th</sup> Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on October 16, 2017 and called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Krieger.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Commissioners Leon Begue

> Sally Cole Connie Duncil Sue Petipren

Marcy M. Spencer

Mayor Bruce Krieger

Tom Donald Absent

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

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Cole and seconded by Spencer, to approve the 1411<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

## APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion, by Duncil and seconded by Cole, to approve the bills in the amount of \$48,162.84. Motion carried.

## HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Richard Weaver thanked the Commission for listening to the concerns of a resident at the last meeting.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Mason County Rural Fire Authority's monthly meeting minutes and their 2018 budget were submitted for review. Bill Lehrbass noted seven pumpers were ordered, but they will not receive them all at the same time. The bids for the tankers will be opened next Thursday.

# REPORTS CITY MANAGER

- •Offered the DPW job to a person who will start working for the City on October 30 if he passes the background check.
- •The detour for the work that will be done on the railroad tracks on U.S. 10 in Walhalla will take effect Monday, October 23. The parking spaces in the business district will be taped off and no parking signs in the 200-500 blocks of South Main Street will be put up before the detour begins.
- •Representative Curt Vanderwall will meet with the public from 8-9 a.m. on Friday, October 20 at City Hall.
- Trick-or-Treating will be held in the City from 6-8 p.m. on October 31.
- •Work on replacing the tiles in the pool at Riverside Park has begun. The tiles on the deck of the pool have to be replaced with concrete for safety concerns and the depth markings have to be placed on the outside of the pool instead of inside the pool. These two issues will cost an additional \$4,800.

#### **CITY ATTORNEY**

No reports were available.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

No reports were available.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

The monthly financial reports were submitted for review.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **Finance**

- •Rental Ordinance-Meeting will be set up with the City Manager, City Attorney, Planning Commission Chair and Ordinance Committee to discuss this further.
- Will review the audit with the auditor before the November 6 Commission Meeting.
- Discussed the snow removal contract.

# **Ordinance**

- •Eleven blight homes have been removed from the list because they have taken care of their violation.
- Five tickets have been issued regarding blight concerns.
- Three people have submitted a timeline for when repairs will be completed.

- •Blight letters regarding new issues that have surfaced were sent to residents.
- Abatement issue still in progress.

## Infrastucture

• Did not meet.

## Charter

•Will discuss later in the meeting.

## **Building and Grounds/Public Safety**

• Did not meet.

## Personnel

• Did not meet.

## ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Williams stated the 2002 Dodge pickup truck was sold to the high bidder for \$1,200. Motion, by Spencer and seconded by Cole, to accept the bid from Judy Birbeck for the truck. Motion carried.

Jim Jabrocki submitted a bid proposal under the current snow removal contract. He is proposing to charge \$60.00 per hour for the plow truck and \$165.00 per hour for the loader. Motion, by Krieger and seconded by Cole, to approve the snow removal proposal as presented. Motion carried.

Don Devries from Fleis & VandenBrink explained the amendment to the owner-engineer agreement that they submitted. The amendment is for the additional services that were performed by the engineer because the contractor worked past the deadline. The dollar amount for the amendment is \$61,500 bringing the total due at \$320,500. Motion, by Cole and seconded by Begue, to approve the amendment to the engineering agreement as presented. Motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Begue reviewed the proposed changes to chapters 13-16 of the City Charter.

#### Chapter 13

- •Clarified and simplified the language.
- •13.7-New Business Enterprise is new material.

# Chapter 14

•Simplified the language.

## Chapter 15

- •Increased the City Manager spending limit from \$2,000 to \$10,000.
- •15.2-Noted the spending limit was incorrect in paragraphs 2 and 3 and needed to be corrected.

## Chapter 16

- Miscellaneous items that did not fit anywhere else in the charter were placed here.
- •16.9-Anti-Nepotism is new material.

Begue noted under Chapter 6.7 – (Elections) The language was changed so the deadline for filing petitions would be at 4:00 p.m. on the 110<sup>th</sup> day preceding either the General or Special Election.

Williams stated she is still waiting to hear back from the Equalization Department regarding the City's revised boundaries.

Begue stated the County Clerk is asking that the changes to the charter be put on the August Primary ballot and not the November General ballot because the November ballot will already be very lengthy. Begue said it would be a tight deadline, but it is feasible. He noted the next step is to appoint 5 residents to the Charter committee. Williams stated she would post that information on the City's website, Facebook page and she would also have the media post something. The deadline to respond is October 31. The Commission will then appoint the committee at their next meeting scheduled for November 6.

Williams stated she received an e-mail from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation welcoming Scottville for participating in the Redevelopment Ready Community Program. The next step is for the mayor to sign the Redevelopment Ready Communities Joint Memorandum of Understanding form and return it. Motion, by Cole and seconded by Spencer, to allow Mayor Krieger to sign the form as presented. Motion carried.

Williams stated next year the Custer Bridge will be replaced and as a result a detour will be put into place, which will result in local traffic living south of the bridge to use Chauvez Road to Scottville Road and north to South Main Street. The Mason County Road Commission is asking for approval of the detour per MDOT's request. The project is expected to take place mid/late February and continue into June. Motion, by Begue and seconded by Duncil, to approve the detour as presented. Motion carried.

# **HEARING OF THE CITIZENS**

Bill Lehrbass presented the City with a donation to be used toward a new roof for the pavilion at Riverside Park. The donation came from the Lehrbass family and the MCC Class of 1962. Lehrbass suggested the City contact Great Lakes Energy and see if the City would be eligible for their People's Fund grant.

# **COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Petipren was impressed with the Halloween party the park staff had for their campers.

ADJOURN	
It was moved by Spencer carried at 6:06 p.m.	and seconded by Cole to adjourn. So
Bruce Krieger, Mayor	Deborah A. Howe, Clerk