

CITY OF SMITHS GROVE
SMITHS GROVE, KENTUCKY

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees, Thursday, January 2, 1964.

The Board met at the McGuffey Insurance Agency with all members present. Present members of the Board are Carl Ferguson, Carroll Beverly, Joe, K. Lowe, Bill Powell and Frank Jordan. Former Chairman of the Board, Frank Jordan, presided until the members could elect a new Chairman. Mr. Jordan introduced Magistrate Charles Morehead who officially swore the new members to office. A secret ballot was then taken. The votes were counted by visitor, James M. Bybee and Magistrate Morehead. Carroll S. Beverly was elected as the new Chairman of the Board and presided over the remainder of the meeting.

1. Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.
2. Clerk gave a financial report of \$3743.59 in the City Fund and \$228.59 in the Fire Truck Fund. Trustee Jordan reported the Cemetery account as \$2045.73 and the Hardy Account as \$125. Trustee Jordan advised the new members of the accounts which are on savings at the Smiths Grove Bank. The interest is deposited in the regular account. Since Mrs. Beatrice Madison, assistant cashier of the bank, is no longer a member of the Board, Clerk was asked to check with the bank to see that these accounts are set up as desired.

3. Judge Keener was present and had no report.

4. Chief Denton was present and advised he is going to the hospital for a couple of weeks. A discussion was held on whether to hire a replacement during his absence. Chairman Jordan suggested that a man on duty has certainly curtailed bread-ins. Also, we need a watchman in case of fire. Trustee Jordan made a motion that we employ Byron Curtis as a temporary employee to assume Mr. Denton's duties. Trustee Lowe seconded the motion. There were no dissenting votes. Mr. Denton was asked to brief Mr. Curtis on his duties.

5. ~~Chairman~~ Trustee Jordan advised the Board that Mr. Denton was instrumental in catching the boys who shot out 31 street lights. \$55.20 has been paid to the city fund for the cost of the bulbs.

6. Street Markers were not discussed.

7. The information on the hearing from the increase in water rates still has not been received. Trustee Jordan advised that Mr. Whittle will secure us a transcript.

8. Under old business, Trustee Jordan advised the present Board that the old Board had discussed annexing the Webb addition but had come to no decision as to how far to go. Of course, with the annexation would come the responsibility of the city to balck top the streets and install street lights. Heretofore, County equipment and operators have been used for blacktopping without any charge. The only charge being for the gravel and oil. Magistrate Morehead suggested that we pay at least half the salary of the operators of the machinery. Chairman Beverly volunteered to check the price of street lights and blacktopping. Trustee Lowe suggested that he check on the difference in price of the vapor lights and the smaller lights.

9. Under old business, Trustee Jordan commented that the present Zoning committee which consists of Tommy Melton, Zelma Crump and Porter Spradling

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has never been effective. Three new members should be appointed. Members were asked to keep this under consideration.

10. Clerk was asked to give Chairman Beveraly a list of the names who have not paid their property taxes.

11. ~~Christen~~Jordan commented that certain facts pertinent to the amount in the various accounts, etc. should be kept a private matter. If some citizens knew there was some extra money, they would be anxious to spend it.

12. Clerk was asked to mail an unloading notice to Blue Grass Egg Firm, Glasgow, Kentucky

There being no further business, Trustee Powell made a motion we dismiss. Trustee Jordan seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Gertie Bybee, Clerk

Carroll Beveraly, Chairman