

SMITHS GROVE CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
CITY HALL  
January 22, 2001

The mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with all commissioners in attendance.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the previous meeting.

The mayor called for additions or corrections to the minutes. With none to be heard, the minutes were unanimously approved.

2. Minutes of Special Call Meeting

The mayor called for additions or corrections to these minutes. With none to be heard, the minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Treasurer's report - November & December

Mayor McCay asked if there were any questions or discussion regarding these reports. There were none so the Treasurer's reports stand as presented.

4. There was a discussion on the status of the 75,000 grant from DOLG and the lot to be donated to the city. Mayor McCay stated that according to the owner of the lot, he still plans on donating it to the city but is in the process of talking with his financial advisor. Mayor McCay asked for comments regarding the hiring of an architect to design the new municipal building. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Martin made a motion that the city should hire an architect and to start calling them to meet with the commission to make a presentation. Commissioner Varner seconded the motion. Roll call and vote: Cooke yes, Varner yes, McCay yes, Martin yes, Pierce yes.

5. The audit was not available for presentation.

6. Department reports

Streets:

Commissioner Cooke reported that all signs are now up. There was a brief discussion on the condition of the "cut in the street" at the school.

Police:

Commissioner Martin reported that everything was fine and then read the monthly police report. Mayor McCay stated he would like the lettering on the new police car to be done as soon as possible. Commissioner Martin stated she would check on the status of getting it done.

Public Safety, Health and Welfare:

Commissioner Pierce read the monthly fire department report. He also reported that the fire department had elected a new Board of Directors. Commissioner Pierce announced that the department had received approval to purchase a defibrillator. In addition, the department is going to receive \$10,000 in governmental funds with which they will to purchase a Thermal Imaging Camera. Commissioner Pierce reported on upcoming events at the library and it's new hours.

Cemetery:

Commissioner Varner read the quarterly financial statement. He then gave an update on the progress of repairing the damage at the cemetery. Commissioner Cooke reported that there are three trees that need to be cut down.

7. Committee reports:

Planning & Zoning:

Gerald Brown stated there would be a public hearing February 1 on the re-zoning of the lot on Vincent Street.

Aging Services:

Dr. James Hill was not present at the meeting but he did inform Mayor McCay that there had been no meetings the last two months.

Beautification:

Mayor McCay stated that there would probably be nothing to report until spring.

Vision:

John Wayne Smith reported that there had been a meeting scheduled for January 9th but that there was not a quorum present so the meeting adjourned.

8. Mayor McCay introduced Kiersten Jagers as the city's liaison with BRADD. She will now be the immediate contact between Smiths Grove and BRADD.

10. Mayor McCay recognized Porter Martin for the terrific work he had done on the Christmas Parade. A committee has been appointed for this year's parade with Porter Martin once again being chairperson. Joyce Massey reported that the city had received their matching funds for the parade from the Modern Woodsman.

The first meeting of the committee will be May 24th with the parade being December 7th. Ben Kirtley reported that the film footage FOX 40 took of last year's parade, would be used for advertising for this year. Porter Martin presented certificates of recognition to Christmas Parade Committee members that went "above and beyond" what was expected of them.

Miscellaneous/Announcements:

The ITA will hold a public meeting tomorrow, January 23, at 5:30 p.m. at the Justice Center. The Community Days Committee will have a meeting on Thursday January 25<sup>th</sup>. With no further business to be presented, a motion to adjourn was heard.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Walter J. McCay, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vicki K. Weisshaar, City Clerk