

**SMITHS GROVE CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL
MAY 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 commission had an opportunity to review the minutes prior to the meeting. The Mayor called for additions or corrections to the minutes. Commissioner Martin made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by Commissioner Cooke. Roll call and vote: Cooke yes, Varner yes, McCay yes, Martin yes, Pierce yes.

2. Treasurer's report

The commission had an opportunity to review this report prior to the meeting. Mayor McCay asked if there were any questions or discussion regarding the report. With none to be heard, the treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

3. 1 st reading of ordinance re-zoning 111 Sunset. The 2nd reading will be held at a special call meeting 5/24 at 4:45 p.m.

4. Department reports

Streets:

Commissioner Cooke went over his suggestions for new sidewalks. H gave copies of the proposed sites, with measurements, to the commission. Commissioner Cooke stated that according to his estimates, there would be approximately 10,000 ft. of sidewalks at a cost of approximately \$30,000 - \$35,000. Commissioner Pierce asked if the county could do the sidewalks per the inter-local agreement. Magistrate Hunt stated that the county doesn't do sidewalks.

Police:

Commissioner Martin read the monthly police report. She reported that Chief Sneed had completed his 8 hours of training videos. Chief Sneed is currently assisting the county with several cases.

Public Safety, Health and Welfare:

Commissioner Pierce stated that no report was available for April but read the March report. The fire department was given bad directions by KSP to a house fire, which resulted in the house being a total loss. Commissioner Pierce gave a report on the library's 00-01 budget. He then reported that he had talked to the state about limiting parking on Main Street and they said they would help. Commissioner Martin questioned what the antique dealer's feelings would be on the subject. Mayor McCay stated that before doing anything a public hearing should be held. A discussion on the pros and cons ensued. The subject was then tabled until it could be furthered studied. Commissioner Pierce read a list of several properties that were in poor condition in regards to weeds, brush, and in need of mowing.

Cemetery:

Commissioner Varner reported that the flagpole was up. The chapel will be open Sunday and

Monday May 27th and 28th for the holiday. Commissioner Cooke and his wife had volunteered to clean the chapel. Commissioner Varner stated he would like to have a flag raising ceremony for Memorial Day. Mayor McCay said he felt that there was not enough time to plan one. He suggested that Commissioner's Varner and Martin plan a ceremony for next year. Commissioner Varner reported that he was having a problem hiring someone to cut the trees at the cemetery. Commissioner Varner presented a motion to remove the outbuilding at the cemetery. Seconded by Commissioner Pierce. Roll call and vote: Cooke yes, Varner yes, McCay yes, Martin yes, Pierce yes.

5. Committee reports:

Planning & Zoning:

Gerald Brown stated there was nothing to report at this time.

Aging Services:

Dr. Hill was not present at the meeting.

Beautification:

Mayor McCay stated that flowers had been put out around city hall.

Vision:

John Wayne Smith was not in attendance as he had a prior commitment.

6. Mayoral Reports:

The mayor stated he had spoken with Joe Liles of WCWD. He confirmed that the property would be donated to the city. The recycling bin at the fire station is back in place. Mayor McCay announced that the ITA meeting had been postponed. On 5/8 a public hearing will be held. Land acquisition has begun. Mayor McCay reported that he is serving on the Hazard mitigation Committee. Also, Smiths Grove will be getting a CALVES (alarm system).

7. Miscellaneous/Announcements:

Due to the commissioners that have cell phones having to use them for city business, Mayor McCay presented a motion to reimburse commissioners for cell phone expenses not to exceed \$45/month effective 7/1/01. Seconded by Commissioner Pierce. Roll call and vote: Cooke no, Varner yes, McCay yes, Martin yes, Pierce yes.

Community Days will be 6/2 and 6/3. The Lions Club will be holding a pancake breakfast on 6/2. The fire department will be having a barbecue, raffle, and auction on 6/2. Sara and Lindsey Lightfoot won the soapbox Derby for their age groups and will be going to Nationals in Akron, Ohio on 7/28. Mayor McCay stated he would like to have a send-off for them. Mr. Cushenberry presented some questions he had concerning a subdivision that might be built. A brief discussion ensued. Commissioner Pierce reported that his brother won the highest honor in the state for social worker. He was only 6 votes away from going to nationals.

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