

**MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
SMITHS GROVE MUNICIPAL CENTER
MONDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2005 7:00 P.M.**

All members present Mayor Watt, Commission Varner,
Commissioner Higginbothan, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Pierce
There was a full quorum

Mayor Watt opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.
All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Watt recognized all as special guest said that he can have Mr. Elder as the special
guest but he has been coming to the meetings, thanked him for being here.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of Regular Meeting October 24,2005

Mayor Watt moves that the October 24,2005 minutes to be accepted as written
Commissioner Varner seconds Mayor Watt asked if there were any questions with none
given, a roll call was taken C. Varner yes, C. Higginbotham yes, Mayor Watt yes,
C. Martin yes, C. Pierce yes
Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 24, 2005 was approved
unanimous vote

REPORTS

Treasurer Report

Mayor Watt moves that the October 2005 Treasurer Report be accepted
Commissioner Martin seconds Mayor Watt asks if there are any questions with none
given, a roll call was taken
C. Varner yes, C. Higginbotham yes, Mayor Watt yes, C. Martin yes, C. Pierce yes

Mayor Watt said before they continue the meeting the Smiths Grove Fire Dept has
something to share, he asked Commissioner Pierce if he would like to take it over.
Commissioner Pierce said that the Smiths Grove Fire Department had purchased a 2006
Fire Truck, fully loaded that will service the community a lot better. Mayor Watt said the
meeting will adjourn for a 10-minute recess to go out and everyone can take a look at the
new Fire Truck. Adjourned at 7:05 p.m. Mayor Watt opened the meeting back up at
7:15 p.m.

Mayor Watt said we also have David Burton here from the Warren County Health
Department said he will get to him on the Public Safety Department Thanked him for
being here

Police Report

Commissioner Varner read the police report added that our Chief of Police, has been doing a great job, recently the Federal Agents had been looking for someone for several months, it had taken our officer less than 3 days to capture him. The City of Smiths Grove is very pleased with our Chief and we want him to know how pleased we are with his performance, everyone stood up to thank him. Commissioner Varner asked Chief Vance if he had anything to say, he say no, just thanked everyone.

Cemetery Report

Commissioner Higgingbotham said that Scotty's would try to get out at the end of the month they had some problems with getting a smaller grader, which was in Monroe County, that is all he has to report

Street Report

Commissioner Martin said that they are still waiting on Kenway on the potholes and alleys, that is all he has to report

Public Safety, Health & Welfare Report

Commissioner Pierce said he will turn this over to Mayor Watt, Mayor Watt said, that we have David Burton here tonight with the Health Dept so he will now give him the floor. Mr. Burton thanked the Mayor and Commission said that the health department will continue to stay on this rodent issue that the citizens in Smiths Grove has addressed to the health department. He has been working with the City Attorney Wes Milliken, as well as the Mayor, of Smiths Grove. Kathy Herndon also from the Warren County Health Dept spoke and said that she has been out here several times in the past, and somehow the paper work had got lost in the shuffle. But there is a problem. The residents might be the problem in harboring the rodents, the property owner had been notified and given 20 days to act on some of the issues that can be causing the problem. Mr. Burton had asked the Mayor if he could leave some literature to educate the public better on the problem. Mayor said that would be fine leave it with the clerk. Mayor Watt asked if there were any more questions with none given he thanked Mr. Burton and Kathy Herndon for coming.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beautification

Sherry Higginbotham said that they had spent all day Saturday to get the tree decorated and wanted to thank Commissioner Higginbotham and Commissioner Pierce for their help also. The Christmas Tree Lighting is on November 30, 2005 at 5:30 p.m.

Christmas Parade

Commissioner Martin said everything is going well, this year will be the biggest Christmas Parade yet. The Parade will be on December 2, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.

Annexation

Commissioner Pierce said everything is going good, Watt McCay had to step down due to health reasons, next meeting will be January 3, 2006. Also the Warren County Health Department will be out on November 29, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. to 11 :30 a.m. to give flu shots, so be sure to be here for that .. Commissioner Pierce explained to the Mayor that he will have a draft of the Emergency Management, he will get with Police Chief Johnny Vance and Fire Chief Kenneth Priddy have that information for January's meeting.

Aging

Mayor Watt said no report, that LD Rasdall is still not doing well in health.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment (planning and Zoning Commissioner)

Mayor Watt said, as most of you know Mr. Gerald Brown has stepped down for his best interest, and the City of Smiths Grove needs to fill that position so he his appointing Albert Rich to serve as Smiths Grove Planning and Zoning Commissioner

Commissioner Higginbotham seconds roll call was taken

C. Varner yes, C. Higginbotham yes, Mayor Watt yes, C. Martin yes, C. Pierce yes

Unanimous Vote (5-0)

Mayor Watt asked Albert Rich if he has anything to say, he said he would not last any 13 years like Mr. Brown

Sealed Bids

Mayor Watt opened the first bid from Ikon Construction read their bid at 24,900

Mayor Watt opened Scott & Murphy Inc.

Their total retail bid is 33,105, with a discount for the city, reduced to 29,550

He went on to read that there is an another option that they would like to propose, and that is if they can call the park (The Charles Morehead Memorial Park) and with that in mind they will do this project for \$4500. Not supplying the paved brick pavers.

Mayor Watt said, that Charles Morehead had been a long time residence of Smiths Grove served as Warren County Magistrate for 4 years, served as Warren County Clerk for 18

years. Mayor Watt said, he don't know about the rest of the Commission but he really likes this idea, and the cost well, you can't beat that, all the Commission was in

agreement Mayor Watt asked if he can get a motion on what bid the city will accept

Commissioner Pierce said he makes a motion to accept Scott & Murphy Inc to do the City park and to name the park (Charles Morehead Memorial Park) Commissioner

Higginbotham seconds the motion, a roll call was taken: C. Varner yes,

C. Higginbotham yes, Mayor Watt yes, C. Martin yes, C. Pierce yes

Mayor Watt said that while he was at BRADD today he had been told that the grant they had applied for on the park would be hand delivered to Frankfort today. So that was good news.

Mayor Watt asked if there were any questions and none given Mayor Watt adjourned the meeting approximately at 8:35 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR, LARRY STEVE WATT

ATTEST: _____
CITY CLERK, DONNA L LOONEY

DATE: _____