

**MINUTES
SMITHS GROVE CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY OCTOBER 10, 2013 10:00 AM**

All Members Present:

Absent: City Attorney Wes Milliken

Mayor Higginbotham called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

Mayor Higginbotham stated that this meeting was called to discuss ordering new LED lights for our Christmas decorations and to discuss raises for employees.

Christmas Lights

Commissioner Pierce stated that he thought this year we should use some colored bulbs instead of all white. He and Mayor Higginbotham had prepared a spread sheet on how many of each color of light bulbs will be needed and how many replacement sockets.

If we ordered the LED replacement lights from Display Sales the cost would be approximately \$3,192.00 if the prices in the book are correct. If we get them from christmasdesigners.com the cost would be approximately \$3,070.50. Clerk Brewer stated she would call both places and see if we could get a better price from either.

A motion was made by Mayor Higginbotham to purchase the light from which ever place we could get at the best price. The motion was second by Commissioner Pierce and the roll was called. Ayes all members so the motion passed with a 5- 0 vote.

Raises

The city employees usually get their raises in July however this year it was left off of the agenda so is being addressed at this time.

After discussion Commissioner Varner made a motion to give the city employees a three percent (3%) raise effective October 1, 2013. The motion was second by Commissioner David Stiffey and roll was called. Ayes all members so the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

With there being no further business to conduct, Mayor Higginbotham adjourned the meeting at 10:45 am.

APPROVED _____
BERT E. HIGGINBOTHAM, MAYOR

ATTEST _____
DEBORAH K. BREWER, CITY CLERK

DATE _____
Minutes were prepared by Deborah K. Brewer, City Clerk