

Smiths Grove City Commission meeting - October 23, 1995-7:00 p.m. - City Hall

Mayor Gilley called the meeting to order with Commissioners Cooke, Martin and Lacy in attendance, along with several interested citizens.

#### AGENDA

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Mayor Gilley called for corrections or discussion of these minutes. With none to be heard, comm. Cooke presented a motion the minutes be accepted as written, seconded by Comm. Martin. roll call and vote- Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Lacy yes.

2. Treasurers report

The commission reviewed this report and with no corrections or additions, comm. Lacy floored a motion the report be accepted as printed, seconded by comm. Cooke. roll call and vote - Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Lacy yes.

3. Second reading Ordinance #95-1 405-3-TKR Franchise renewal agreement

Mayor Gilley called for a motion to accept the second reading of this above stated ordinance. Comm. Lacy said he knew he should have ask these questions prior to the first reading, but he wanted to know if 15 years was the required length of this ordinance. The clerk said it was as it had been in the past. Comm. Lacy wondered if another cable company approached the city with a better price for the same service, could the city accept their bid. The clerk said it would be a legal decision, which she felt would be a tough one. All were in agreement that if they wanted to have cable they really didn't have any alternative than to accept this franchise agreement. With no further discussion to be heard, Comm. Lacy presented a motion to accept the second reading of the above stated Ordinance and that it now become a part of the city's permanent records, seconded by Comm. Cooke. roll call and vote - Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Lacy yes.

4. Second reading Ordinance #95-1 450.1 - City codification

Comm. Martin presented a motion the second reading of this ordinance be accepted and that it now become a portion of the city's permanent records, seconded by Comm. Lacy. roll call and vote - Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Lacy yes.

5. First reading Ordinance #95-3 220.125-1995 real estate tax rate

The clerk explained that each year the assessment goes up and the tax rate goes down approximately 1%. Comm. Martin presented a motion the above stated ordinance be accepted for a second reading, seconded by Comm. Lacy roll call and vote - Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Lacy yes.

6. First reading Ordinance #95-4 220.126-1995 tangible property tax rate

Comm. Cooke presented a motion this first reading of this ordinance be accepted for a second reading, seconded by Comm. Martin. roll call and vote - Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Lacy yes.

The clerk reminded the commission that it was advertised the commission would hold a special called meeting 10/24/95 to hear the second reading of these two ordinances.

7. Department reports

Police-Comm. Martin read the report prepared by Chief Montgomery. (attached) She also reported that the new tires had been put on the cruiser at the same cost as the last replacement.

Streets-Comm. Cooke said so far he hasn't had any complaints.

Cemetery-Comm. Lacy said he felt the maintenance contractor has do on a good job and at the present time the cemetery looks real good. It has been completely mowed and trimmed.

8. Cemetery quarterly financial report

Comm. Lacy said he noticed the cemetery is spending more funds than are coming in. After reviewing this report, Comm. Lacy presented a motion the report be accepted as printed, seconded by Comm. Cooke. roll call and vote- Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Lacy yes.

9. Other

Connie Laws wondered if there was any word regarding McDonalds. Mayor Gilley said the last he had heard it was supposed to be starting on the construction around 12/1/95. Maybell Bybee said she needed some gravel for her alley. Roland Lawrence said there was a terrible odor from the sewer on Sunset St. He said he had checked the manholes and the smell wasn't coming from them. He also stated that he had checked with several of the neighbors and they were witnessing the same smell. The clerk agreed to contact the Warren County Sewer Office to see what could be done.

Commissioner Martin said the Smiths Grove Hospitality's Christmas Festival will be December 12, she said the lights on the pole decorations needed to be gone over to see which ones needed replaced. They agreed to do this on 11/8/95 at 6:30. Jackie Lightfoot said the sixth grade class at North Warren were going to make balls, furnished by the Hospitality Committee, and decorate them to put on the city tree. Comm. Martin wondered if the tree that the city used could be replaced because the current one is so difficult to decorate and to hold the decorations after they were put on. Mayor Gilley said the Lions Club had donated this one and he would check into it.

With no further business to be presented, a motion to adjourn was heard.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
JAMES R. GILLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
DOROTHY J. NEAL, CITY CLERK