

**SPECIAL CALLED CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2002  
6:30 P.M. CITY HALL**

Mayor McCay called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with all commissioners and several interested citizens in attendance. Special guests were Steve Hunter of Planning and Zoning, and Steve Syra of Cardinal Office Systems.

**AGENDA**

Steve Hunter discussed and answered questions regarding Ordinance 02-08, which is titled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR INCORPORATED AREAS OF SMITHS GROVE, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY. The first reading of the ordinance was held and a straw vote taken. The vote was as follows: Cooke yes, Varner yes, McCay yes, Martin yes, Pierce yes.

There was some discussion of Ordinance 02-07 which sets the 2002 property taxes for the City of Smiths Grove. After the first reading, a straw vote was taken. The vote was as follows: Cooke yes, Varner yes, McCay yes, Martin yes, Pierce yes.

**Issues relating to New Municipal Building**

Steve Syra presented samples of office chairs, fabrics, and colors, along with prices for office furnishings. He stated that Cardinal Office Systems has the state contract for office supplies and furnishings, so it would not be necessary for the City to request bids. He will leave his samples here for further consideration.

Commissioner Pierce displayed a sketch of a proposed conference table, which was prepared by Woosley Custom Cabinets. It met with the approval of the commissioners, and Commissioner Varner moved that Mayor McCay and Commissioner Pierce enter into a purchase agreement with Woosley with the understanding that the price will not exceed \$1500.00. Commissioner Martin seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Cooke yes, Varner yes, McCay yes, Martin yes, Pierce yes.

Mayor McCay remarked that the inside of the new municipal center should be finished within the next few days. He brought a proposal before the City Commission that the police officer not be moved to the new building at this time. There is a possibility that the County Court Clerk's Office will consider locating a satellite office in Smiths Grove, for which the State would furnish equipment. The left front office in the new building would be ideal for that purpose, as it has an outside entrance as well as a sliding window, which could be used for transacting business. Mayor McCay has also talked with the Medical Center about the possibility of locating emergency services in the old building, which could be shared by the police officer. Commissioner Cooke reminded the Commissioners that the City would be paying increased expenses for utilities and insurance for both buildings. Mayor McCay asked the Commissioners to consider his proposal with regard to the benefits to the citizens of Smiths Grove.

Several people have expressed an interest in providing janitorial services for the new building. Mayor McCay asked the Commissioners to put together a list of specifications for the janitorial responsibilities, in order to advertise for bids.

Joe Meyer of Scott, Murphy & Daniel has asked for the location of the flagpole for the new city building. The consensus is that it should be located on the side of the building where the planned park will be. The building contractor will not be removing the fence around the construction site. It was suggested that someone in the community might take down the fence for the material. Richard Bessette has volunteered to move the furniture, boxes, etc., to the new building.

Porter Martin and Ben Kirtley have made arrangements to purchase a sound system for the City, which can be used in the Christmas Parade as well as other outdoor and indoor functions. After hearing the description, it was decided that the sound system is a superior deal at \$2000.00. Commissioner Pierce moved that the City purchase the equipment, and Commissioner Martin seconded the motion. Commissioner Cooke asked if the City has the money in the budget to purchase the system, and Mayor McCay responded in the affirmative. He also suggested that the Lions Club might contribute toward the purchase, as they would probably use it at the Horse Show. Porter Martin said the City needs to ensure that someone be properly trained in the use of the equipment and suggested that Ben Kirtley be placed in charge of its use. With no further discussion, the vote was as follows: Cooke yes, Varner yes, McCay yes, Martin yes, and Pierce yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phyllis Bessette, City Clerk