

**SMITHS GROVE CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
CITY HALL  
September 25, 2000**

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 reviewed these minutes prior to the meeting. The mayor called for additions or corrections to these minutes. With none to be heard, Mayor McCay said the minutes would be approved as written.

2. Treasurer's report

The commission had reviewed this report prior to the meeting. Mayor McCay asked if there were any questions or discussion regarding the report. With none to be heard, Mayor McCay said the report would be accepted as written.

3. Department reports

Streets:

Commissioner Cooke said reported that Scotty's had done a good job on black topping of the streets. Also, that the street signs are ready to install. Now, the city needs to gravel the alleys. Commissioner Martin said that the cut on fourth street, near the school, was getting bad and we needed to follow up with Western Kentucky Gas.

Police:

Commissioner Martin read the monthly police report. Chief Sneed went to class two days last week on how to write reports, etc. He will be attending the Command Decision class in October for his forty hours of yearly training. Commissioner Howard presented Chief Sneed with thank you notes from students at Warren Elementary School for speaking at career day.

Public Safety, Health and Welfare:

Commissioner Hardy reported there had been a structure fire and the fire department did a good job of keeping contained. There was a brief discussion about fire hydrants in the city. One side of town does not have as many as the other side does. When the fire department was fighting the structure fire, they had to go four blocks to reach a hydrant.

Cemetery:

Commissioner Howard reported that the cemetery is in good shape. The only problems are weeds/grass in the cracks of the pavement, the chapel door and the pavement is bad.

4. Committee reports:

Planning & Zoning:

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

Aging Services:

Dr. James Hill stated there was nothing to report at this time.

Beautification:

Sandra McCay reported that the city needs to order lights for the Christmas decorations. There was a brief discussion on how many should be ordered. It was decided three cases (1000 lights per case) at a cost of approximately \$200 per case.

Vision:

John Wayne Smith was not in attendance as he was out of town.

#### 5. Delinquent property taxes

Mayor McCay asked for a motion to publish the names in the newspaper of people who had not paid their property taxes. Commissioner Cooke presented a motion to publish the names.

Seconded by Commissioner Martin. Roll call and vote: Cooke yes, Martin yes, McCay yes, Hardy yes, Howard yes.

#### 6. Community Days

Esley Pelley gave a report on the status of the community day's festival including what activities are planned.

#### 7. Christmas Parade:

Porter Martin reported that plans were going well. Mayor McCay suggested that the city donate \$200 to the Christmas Parade Committee and \$200 to the Community Days Committee to help defray the cost of advertising. Commissioner Howard presented a motion to donate \$200 to each committee to be used for advertising. Seconded by Commissioner Hardy. Roll call and vote: Cooke yes, Martin yes, McCay yes, Hardy yes, Howard yes.

#### 8. Miscellaneous/Announcements

Mayor McCay announced that Gilbert & Gilbert would be here on Thursday to do the city's annual audit. The Lions Club will be having a pancake breakfast on October 7 from 6:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Also, there will be a public hearing of the Statewide Independent Living Council September 26 in Bowling Green.

9. Mayor McCay stated that in accordance with KRS 61.810, he would like to go into closed session for deliberations on the possible future acquisition of a specific property. Commissioner Howard presented that the commission go into a closed session. Seconded by Commissioner Martin. Roll call and vote: Cooke yes, Martin yes, McCay yes, Hardy yes, Howard yes. At 7:50 p.m., the commission went into a closed-door session.

#### 10. Back to open session at 8:00 p.m.

Jesse Varner spoke briefly on recycling.

Mayor McCay reported that a dog at the library had bitten a child and that on Kentucky Street there is a dog that has started cornering people. He stated that he just wanted the commission to be aware of these incidents.

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

