

**MINUTES**  
**SMITHS GROVE CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**  
**SMITHS GROVE MUNICIPAL BUILDING**  
**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2021 7:00PM**

Mayor Stiffey called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Members Present: Commissioner Maurice (Buddy) Marr, Commissioner Bob Buehl, Commissioner Steve Roney, Mayor David Stiffey, City Attorney Hamp Moore, Assistant Police Chief Rick Bessette and Clerk Nancy Howard.

Members Absent: Commissioner Eric Schroader, Chief Jason Franks

Invocation was given by City Clerk Howard.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Stiffey asked the Commissioners if there were any corrections or additions to the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 23 2021. With no changes, the minutes were approved unanimously.

**REPORTS**

**Treasurers Report – August 2021**

A motion was made by Commissioner Marr accept the Treasurers Report as read and was seconded by Mayor Stiffey. The Treasurers Reports were approved by 4-0 vote.

**Administration Report**

Mayor Stiffey stated the 2021 Property Taxes would be mailed out by October 1. The city will host the North Warren Elementary School classes for a tour of city hall on October 20<sup>th</sup> with Clerks Howard and Sleeman and Chief Franks as guides. Our Smiths Grove Trick-or-Treat schedule will match the same day as Warren County designates with our hours being 4:30 to 7:30pm. The Christmas Parade is scheduled for December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm and the route is being finalized. The proposed route will start at 5<sup>th</sup> Street & Main Street and come down Main Street ending at Lawson Street, pending all approvals.

**Public Works Report**

Commissioner Marr stated that Scotty's did all the street paving the last days of August. The final cost was less than the estimate. A non-slip sidewalk pad at the corner of Flavor Isle is in need of securing.

**Police, Public Safety, Health and Welfare Report**

In Commissioner Schroader's absence, the Mayor stated that Chief Franks and Commissioner Schroader are working on the estimates for the Police CAD system and it will be addressed at the next meeting. The speed trailer is still delayed for delivery, at this time. Asst. Chief Bessette said

there continues to be trailer thefts and residents are advised to lock down their equipment. There is discussion about a fall clean-up day coordinated with Com. Buehl -Code Enforcement. Commissioner Buehl will follow up with Chief Franks on the clean-up day.

### **Cemetery Report**

Commissioner Roney stated the concrete pad is ready for the gazebo at the Scattering Grounds area and the Mayor added that the gazebo would be delivered this week. Chief Franks had reported that the Chapel door was leaking and Com. Roney said it was repaired today, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>.

### **Code Enforcement Report**

Commissioner Buehl will be setting up a Fall Clean-Up day with Chief Franks. There were 2 properties on Cave Street with Code violations addressed; the unoccupied 476 Cave Street property was mowed and cleaned up by Tim & Michael Bryington on their own initiative. Com. Buehl has contacted Cooke's Mowing to remove the brush and clean up the other property. The owner has been contacted. The owner of the third property, 125 Highland, has been contacted and states that the property will be mowed.

### **Old Business**

Second Reading – Ordinance 2021-008, an amendment to the Golf Cart Ordinance pertaining to ATVs/UTVs. Commissioner Marr made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-008 and Commissioner Roney seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

Second Reading – Ordinance 2021-006 Assessing and Levying the 2021 Annual Property Tax on Real Estate and Tangible Personal Property within the City of Smiths Grove, KY. Mayor Stiffey made a motion to approve the second reading of the Ordinance 2021-006 and Commissioner Marr seconded the motion. The second reading was approved by 4-0 vote.

Second Reading - Ordinance 2021-007 Assessing and Levying the 2021-2022 Annual Property Tax on Motor Vehicles and Watercraft Having a Situs in the City of Smiths Grove, KY. Commissioner Buehl made a motion to accept this second reading of the Ordinance 2021-007 and Commissioner Roney seconded the motion. The second reading was approved by 4-0 vote.

### **New Business**

Mayor Stiffey presented the bids from Sanders Tree Service for work on trees located at City Hall; topping trees and removal of the walnut tree in the back parking lot area, also a bid to do tree top work at the Cemetery. The Mayor stated that he will also ask the service to cut back the trees located on the adjacent property that have limbs coming towards our flagpole area. The Mayor made a motion to accept the \$2000 as shown on the bids and requested approval for any additional cost for the trimming of the adjacent property tree. Com. Marr seconded the motion, and the Commission approved the expenditure with a 4-0 vote.

With there being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm by Mayor Stiffey.

APPROVED David L. Stiffey  
DAVID L. STIFFEY, MAYOR

ATTEST Nancy Howard  
NANCY HOWARD, CITY CLERK

DATE 10-26-21  
Minutes were prepared by Nancy Howard, City Clerk