

**MINUTES
SMITHS GROVE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING
SMITHS GROVE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
TUESDAY APRIL 17, 2007 4:30 P.M.**

All members were present: Mayor Watt, Commissioner Higginbotham and Commissioner Pierce. Absent: Commissioner Varner and Commissioner Martin

Also present Burton with Daily News

Mayor Watt called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Watt said the first thing on the agenda is the Sheriff's Department has to cut the Police Dept's fuel due to their budget.

This has gone effective as of April 15, which was Sunday.

The city will have to keep the monies in the general account that would normally be going into the Vehicle Replacement Acct for this remainder fiscal year. The upcoming fiscal year the City will just continue to put the \$500.00 in the Vehicle Replacement Account and use that for fuel. There is \$ 21,827 in the Vehicle Replacement Acct now which we can use that for a vehicle in a year from now. Asked the Commission if there were any discussion. Commissioner Higginbotham asked Chief Vance if \$500 was going to be enough and was still going to be able to patrol like he should? The Dept can get by, Vance said. Commissioner Pierce asked Chief Vance how much mileage are the cruisers getting. Chief Vance said about 15-18 mils to the gal. With no more further questions a motion was made by Commissioner Pierce to go ahead and keep the \$500.00 in the general fund for this year, then continue the \$ 500.00 in the Vehicle Replacement Acct to use for fuel. Seconded by Commissioner Higginbotham. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt and C. Pierce. Voting no: none.

Mayor Watt would like to add that on the behalf of the City of Smiths Grove he wants to assure all the City residents that our Police coverage will not change. We will continue to assist the Sheriff's Dept and all other agencies to the best of our ability and I certainly hope they will continue to afford us the same courtesy.

Mayor Watt said that Commissioner Martin is not here to discuss the Cemetery contract, so will discuss this another time.

Mayor Watt adjourned the meeting approximately at 4:45 p.m.

Mayor Watt reopened the meeting approximately at 4:46 p.m.

Said that he had one other thing to discuss on the purchase of the fuel.

Chief Vance had done some searching and Chevron, Smiths Grove Travel Center, Shell and the Comp Fuel and neither of them give a discount. Shell if you get a credit card they give a 5% and may waive the annual fee of \$20.00. If you pay this off before the 30 days then you will not have to pay the interest. The Mayor asked for discussion with none

A motion was made by Mayor Watt for Chief Vance to keep the two accounts opened with BP Travel Center and Chevron until more shopping around to get the best deal.

Commissioner Pierce seconds. Mayor Watt asked if there were any questions with none.

A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt and C. Pierce. Voting no: none.

Mayor Watt adjourned the meeting approximately at 4:55 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
LARRY STEVE WATT, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
DONNA L LOONEY CITY CLERK

DATE: _____

Minutes were prepared by City Clerk Donna L Looney