

CITY OF SMITHS GROVE
SMITHS GROVE, KENTUCKY

There was no regular meeting of the Board of Trustees in November.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees, Wednesday, December 6, 1961.

The Board met at 7:15 P M in the American National Bank and Trust Company with all members present.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
2. Marshall Britt had no report. Members of the Board commented on the fact that he is on the job and this is helping to keep order.
3. Since we have no police judge, there was no report.
4. The Industrial Development Board has been active in securing information for a brochure on Smiths Grove which will be included on a brochure for Bowling Green. Facts, figures and pictures have been submitted. This should be published within the near future.
5. There is nothing new concerning the Browning Oil Company Buildings on Main Street.
6. Street markers were not discussed.
7. It was reported that the present Board was reelected in the November election.
8. The junk cars near the Ewing garage have been moved with the exception of one body. This will be removed at the next garbage collection.
9. Chairman Jordan reported that the F. B. Hardy cemetery account is still \$250. He has been paying the current bills but the old account remains unpaid.
10. There was no report on the Standard Oil Stock which has been given by Brack Amos. Trustee McGuffey is to contact Joe Orr concerning this. The dividend from these ten shares of stock is to be used for the Cemetery.
11. A discussion was held on the Halloween mischief. Most of the parents who were contacted had talked to various members of the Board. It was decided to write a letter next October to each of the parents asking them to keep their boys out of Smiths Grove on Halloween night.
12. Clerk was asked to call Mrs. P. A. Cassady concerning the police records.
13. The new fire truck has been received and approved. Bids are being taken on the old truck. Trustee McGuffey reported that Attorney Orendorf has been busy with court proceedings and has not been able to complete the details for the bond issue. Trustee McGuffey is to meet with Mr. Orendorf on December 8 to have this sale approved by the Court.
14. The Masonic Lodge had volunteered to pay for the lights used for their fish fry in the City Park. Clerk was asked to notify Benton Davis that there was no charge.

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15. Chairman Jordan reported he had received complaints regarding the manner in which the Paul Welch trucks park on Main Street to load and unload. The trucks are causing a traffic hazard. Trustee McGuffey volunteered to contact the Welch's concerning this problem.

16. J. H. Madison had inquired as to why he was billed for taxes when he only moved to town in October. Clerk was asked to tell him that taxes are levied as of January 1 of each year.

17. Henry Larue had asked for a discount on his taxes because he had bought gravel to put on his street. It was the opinion of the Board that no discount could be given as this would be showing favoritism. Clerk was asked to notify Mr. Larue of this decision.

18. Because of the late date and weather conditions, it was decided not to sponsor a Fall clean-up this year but have an early Spring clean-up.

19. Clerk was asked to contact Buddy Britt to inform all businesses who have not paid their occupational licenses that they will not be allowed to do business after January 1 unless these are paid.

20. A general discussion was held on the condition which exists on Main and Sixth Streets. There are no stop signs on either street. It was thought that perhaps if a white line on Main Street were to be kept painted, drivers would know that this was the Main thoroughfare. It was also decided that a stop sign is needed at the corner of Kentucky and Sixth Streets. The curve sign on Highway 101 is placed beyond the Cave Street intersection. This is confusing to tourists. Trustee Madison volunteered to contact the Department of Highways to see if these situations can be corrected.

21. Chairman Jordan reported that the Industrial Development Board had suggested that the Zoning Committee meet and take steps to zone the city as to residential and business sections. Chairman Jordan volunteered to contact the Zong Committe. These members are Zelma Crump, T. C. Melton and H. P. Spradling.

22. Trustee Madison reported she had been contacted regarding the parking of cars on the sidewalk near the Priddy Garage. Chairman Jordan volunteered to contact Mr. Priddy.

23. Trustee McGuffey presented the problem of little boys riding the fire truck. Chairman Jordan reported this situation had been disucssed at a fire meeting and all volunteer firemen had been notified not to let children ride the truck. The children will be asked to get off. If they do not get off voluntarily, they will be put off by force.

24. Chairman Jordan reported further on the fire meeting. The thermostat has been set at 58 degrees and the control button removed to keep various people from turning the thermostat to a high degree and wasting gas. He further reported that a disucssion was held as to how to fight a fire at the local nursing home. The proprier has been asked by the State Inspector to fix the doors so they will open from the outside and also to ~~kn~~install gypsum board ceilings. It has been noted that doors on the school and gymnasium

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are being padlocked. Our inspector, Bethel Denton, has been asked to contact Mr. Andrew Renick concerning this condition.

25. Trustee Joe Lowe reported the clutch on the rural fire truck is in need of repair. Chairman Jordan is to notify Fire Chief Denton to have the rural truck repaired. Also, Mr. Denton is to have anti-freeze put in the old truck which is for sale.

26. Chairman Jordan said he had received suggestions that perhaps it would be a good idea for the volunteer fireman to have badges so they can be easily identified. It was decided that this would be an unnecessary expense to the city.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting the first Wednesday in January, 1961.

Gertie Bybee, Clerk

F. M. Jordan, Chairman