City Commission meeting – January 27, 1986 - 7:00 p.m. – City Hall

Mayor Gilley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with all commissioners in attendance, along with several interested citizens.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of previous (Nov.,) meeting

Mayor Gilley ask the commission if they had had ample time to review the above stated minutes, and if so, if there were any questions to same. With none to be heard, a motion to accept the minutes as printed was presented by Comm. Bryce, seconded by Comm. Crisp. Roll call and vote - Smith yes, Barrow yes, Gilley yes, Bryce yes, Crisp yes.

2. Treasurer's report - Nov. 18th thru Jan. 17, 1986

Having reviewed the report prior to the meeting, and with no additions or corrections to be heard, Comm. Crisp presented a motion to accept the report as written, seconded by Comm. Barrow. Roll call and vote- Smith yes, Barrow yes, Gilley yes, Bryce yes, Crisp yes.

3. Quarterly financial statement - Smiths Grove Cemetery

Mayor Gilley gave the floor to Ms. Jordan to answer any questions that the commission might have regarding this financial statement. Ms. Jordan explained the soul source of income for the cemetery was from the sale of graves, fees and interest, and that her spendable funds were as low as they had been for numerous years. Comm. Bryce ask if the total of \$43,739.00 were all perpetual funds. Ms. Jordan said some of the smaller certificates were not. She wondered if the comm. should consider the raising of the fee for the sale of graves in the near future. She said the present fee was \$150.00 and this was well below the fee of surrounding areas. Ms. Jordan felt the cemetery maintenance should have closer supervision in the coming season as she felt there was monies spent for labor that was unnecessary in the past season. With no more discussion to be heard, Comm. Smith presented a motion to accept the financial statement as presented, seconded by Comm. Barrow. Roll call and vote - Smith yes, Barrow yes, Gilley yes, Bryce yes, Crisp yes.

4. Cemetery contract labor discussion

The clerk had provided the commission with a copy of a proposal submitted for the maintenance of the cemetery for the 1986 year, presented by David Stiffey of David's Lawn Service. A lengthy discussion followed as to whether there would be enough funds to meet this proposal price of \$6,300. Mayor Gilley said there were two available options, to proceed as had been done in the past, costing the cemetery approximately \$6,000 or go with the contract which includes all labor, materials and supplies. Comm. Bryce said his feelings were that someone responsible was needed so the cemetery would be maintained on a regular basis and kept looking presentable at all times. All were in agreement with this. David Stiffey stated he would like to be paid on a basis of \$1,050.00 per month for a six month period even though his proposal included the entire 1986 season. Mayor Gilley ask the commission to remember that we needed to look to the future as more land would have to be purchased and we couldn't commit more funds than were available to Ms. Jordan.

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Ms. Jordan said she felt there would be sufficient funds in the coming year to meet Mr. Stiffey's terms of proposal. With no further discussion to be heard, Comm. Crisp presented a motion to accept David Stiffey's proposal of \$6,300.00 for the 1986season, seconded by Comm. Barrow. Roll call and vote - Smith yes, Barrow yes, Gilley yes, Bryce yes, Crisp yes. The clerk said she would prepare a rough draft contract for all of the interested party's consideration. She also agreed to have this contract finalized by March 1, 1986.

5. Bill from Liberty Discount Printing

The clerk explained this bill in the amount of \$148.40 was for tax forms, letter heads, envelopes and cards for the Police Chief, and would cover the entire year. Comm. Bryce presented a motion the bill be paid, seconded by Comm. Barrow. Roll call and vote - Smith yes, Barrow yes, Gilley yes, Bryce yes, Crisp yes.

6. Copy Machine maintenance contract

The clerk said the company from which the city had purchased the copy machine was no longer in business as they had declared bankruptcy. They had now opened under a different name and had submitted a maintenance agreement in the amount of \$250.00. The one before the commission was in the amount of \$199.00 and would be handled by the gentleman that was familiar with the machine. Comm. Bryce presented a motion to accept the agreement in the amount of \$199.00 with the firm, Office Technologies Inc., seconded by Comm. Crisp. Roll call and vote - Smith yes, Barrow yes, Gilley yes, Bryce yes, Crisp yes.

7. Other

The clerk told the commission there had been several complaints regarding the parking of a semi-truck by Louis Harrington. People were having problems seeing to get out onto Laurel plus the truck was damaging the street. The commission ask the clerk to forward a letter to Mr. Harrington informing him of this complaint and asking his co-operation in the matter. She agreed to do so.

Mayor Gilley then designated the commission their respective departments.

They are as follows: Cemetery - Commissioner Crisp Streets - Commissioner Bryce Police - Commissioner Barrow Beautification - Commission Smith

With no further business to be presented, a motion to adjourn was heard.

Jay C. Crisp, Mayor Pro Tem
Approved: James R. Gilley
Mayor
Attest: Dorothy J. Neal
City Clerk