

CITY OF SMITHS GROVE
SMITHS GROVE, KENTUCKY

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees, Wednesday, January 6, 1960.

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

M. V. Smith introduced W. P. Anderson to swear in the new members and also to act as temporary chairman. Mr. Anderson reminded them they were new members and asked them to take the oath of office. The first business to be transacted was the election of the new Mayor. Mr. Smith nominated Trustee Madison. Trustee Madison asked to address the Board and said in her opinion there was only one who was capable of the job and that was Mr. Smith. Trustee Madison then nominated Mr. Smith as Mayor. Joe Lowe made a motion that the nominations cease. Trustee Powell seconded the motion. A secret ballot was taken and Trustee M. V. Smith was elected as Chairman of the Board. Chairman Smith then presented a 10 point program as follows:

1. Work, urge and encourage the survey that was made here regarding industry, etc.
2. Enforce the occupational license.
3. Enact garbage collection.
4. Follow through the old board on annexation.
5. Enforce illegal parking in the business district on Main Street on both sides of the railroad.
6. Levy tax on insurance policies in Smiths Grove.
7. Black top remaining streets in Smiths Grove.
8. Canvas the rural area for maintenance of the rural fire truck.
9. De-rat Smiths Grove.
10. Make Smiths Grove a more healthy place to live with the hot rodders.

Chairman Smith asked for opinions of the new Board on this program. Trustee Powell responded that he highly endorsed everything that the Mayor said and he would do everything in his ability to help. He further stated that this was a new venture for him and he would like to be led. Trustee Jordan said he had a nominating speech ready but Trustee Madison beat him to it. He said he was pleased with the Mayor. He said Doc was a good leader and had Smiths Grove at heart and would do the best he could for the community. He further stated he had found him tried and true and he would be glad to go along with the 10-point program and would like to make it all when he thought of something new. Trustee Madison added that she thought the choice of Mayor was a wise one and fully endorsed the platform as presented by Mayor Smith. She also said she was willing to do everything she could to help. Chairman Smith then asked for the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. Minutes were read and approved.

2. Police report - December 21, 1959 - Bud Ground was charged with being drunk in a public place and fined \$19.00.

Bronvil Smith was charged with public drunkenness and was fined \$25 and cost \$10. This case has been appealed.

January 5 - David Hudson and David Britt, teenagers, charged with stealing mirrors off automobiles. They agreed to pay all damages. Complaint was filed by W. M. Powell and Thomas Webb.

3. The annexing of outlying districts still held in abeyance.

4. Chairman Smith said he would notify the Cemetery Committee to meet with the Board at the next meeting.

5. The Jewel T license was again discussed. Clerk reported that their attorney, Charles Bell, has been authorized to ~~suit~~ file suit. Trustee Jordan suggested that we contact Park City, Brownsville and Scottsville to see what charges they are making. Chairman Smith reported that he had Charles Whittle read the ordinance and it was Mr. Whittle's opinion that it was legal.

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It was the opinion of Mr. Whittle that if they were willing to pay \$15, which they have offered to do, then we could collect the \$50 which we are asking. Chairman Smith said that in an opinion from the Attorney General we could make any charge so long as it was not discriminatory or prohibitive. Trustee Powell said he would like to see the Ordinance enforced. Trustee Jordan made a motion that we follow through and put the pressure on them to collect the \$50. Trustee Powell seconded the motion. There were ~~not~~ dissenting votes. Chairman Smith asked for a volunteer to discuss this situation with a lawyer. Trustee Joe Lowe volunteered to discuss the matter with August Winkenhofner and report back to the Board.

6. Under new business, Trustee Jordan made a motion to change the regular meeting night to the first Wednesday in each month in order to avoid conflict with ball games. Trustee Madison seconded the motion. There were no dissenting votes.

7. Chairman Smith suggested that the fire chief contact the fire marshall regarding the burning off of two lots which are hazards. One is the lot back of Mrs. W. W. Williams and the other is the Perkins lot by Ray Hendrick's business. Mr. Cassady said he would contact Mrs. Williams and Mr. Perkins regarding these lots and get them burned off.

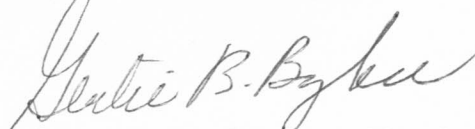
8. Mr. Cassady suggested that in his opinion it would be wise for all businesses in this town to close by 12 P.M. Chairman Smith entertained a motion that all business places be notified that the Board had gone on record as recommending that they close at 12 P.M.. Trustee Powell made a motion that the Clerk write a letter to each business place in town notifying them of this decision. Trustee Madison seconded the motion. There were no dissenting votes.

9. Chairman Smith suggested that the present tax board be reappointed since they were doing such a good job. This Board is composed of Jennings Garman as Chairman and Hardld B. McGuffey and Carl Ferguson. Trustee Jordan made a motion that this Board be reappointed. Joe Lowe seconded the motion. There were no dissenting votes.

10. An open discussion was held on the garbage pick-up but no decision was made on this.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting the first Wednesday in February, 1960.

These minutes have been written into the records this 6 day of January, 1960.


Gertie B. Bybee, Clerk

M. V. Smith, Chairman