

CITY OF SMITHS GROVE
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Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees, Wednesday, June 7, 1961.

The Board met at 7:30 PM in the American National Bank and Trust Company with all members present.

Before the meeting officially opened, Chairman Jordan paid tribute to P. A. Cassady for the service he had rendered the city in his 16 years as Town Marshall.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
2. There was no police report.
3. The Industrial Development Board has been quite active and has secured options on a number of locations for factory sites. Members of the Warren County Chamber of Commerce met with the local board and toured the various locations. Later they were entertained at dinner.
4. It was noted that the driveways in the cemetery have been gravelled and are much improved.
5. The question of a night watchman and emergency marshall was discussed. Chairman Jordan reported that he had discussed this position with Leroy Whittle. It was decided that the hours for patrolling should be from 10 PM to daylight. Also, he would be subject to call in case of emergency. He would have regular police authority. The salary would remain at \$100 per month. Chairman Jordan is to contact Leroy to see if he is interested in accepting this job.
6. Trustee Lowe reported he had heard rumors the Browning Oil Company planned to tear down their buildings on Main Street and let the City use this area for parking. Trustee McGuffey volunteered to contact David Francis, a partner in the firm, regarding this problem.
7. Street markers were not discussed.
8. Since Ford Thomas has not responded to personal calls and a letter from the Clerk regarding the repair of the streets which he has damaged, it was suggested that members of the Board contact him personally.
9. After investigating the cost and efficiency of a 4" line on Rumsey, it was the general opinion that when the new hose arrives, this line will not be needed as badly. There will be enough hose to reach from the 4" hydrant to locations on Highland Avenue.
10. Clerk reported the fire training school would be held the week of June 19-23 under the direction of Captain Boyd. It will be necessary to have at least 12 members present for each meeting.
11. Clerk reported only 8 persons had signed for the garbage collection. Since there was no public interest shown, this idea will be forgotten for the present.
12. All members of the Board agreed to run for reelection in November; however, other citizens will be urged to place their names on the ballot.

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13. The personal problems of Oakes vs Anderson and Skaggs vs Britt have been referred to the individuals.

14. A called meeting was held on May 10, 1961 with 5 members present. Chairman McGuffey presented the bids for the fire truck. Howe's bid was \$6675 while Seagrave's was \$9122. Since Howe meets all the specifications, the committee agreed on Howe. Webb Chevrolet, Wallace Motors, Big Four and Howe presented bids for the chasis. It was agreed to buy the truck from Wallace for a cost of \$2755. It was also agreed to buy 1000 feet of 2½" hose extra for a cost of \$1200 and 400' of 1½" hose for a cost of \$360; also, a Weye adapter for a cost of \$45 and 2 imperial nozles for a cost of \$140. All equipment would cost \$11,175. Trustee Mdison made a motion that the above mentioned equipment be purchased. Trustee Lowe seconded the motion. There were no dissenting votes. A motion was made by Trustee Lowe that a street light be installed on Sunset Street, Trustee McGuffey seconded the motion. There were no dissenting votes. This closed the called meeting.

New business:

15. Chairman Jordan suggested the doors and trim at the fire station are in need of a paint job. Members suggested that Homer Doyle be contacted regarding this work.

16. Clerk reported the City had reimbursed Jewel T Company the \$50 they had paid for their license. Attorney Joe Orr said he would do some free legal work for the City due to the fact this money had to be refunded.

17. Trustee McGuffey made a motion that Nellie Oakes be written a letter of appreciation and also presented with a check for \$10 in appreciation for the work she has done in keeping the city park so clean. Trustee Powell seconded the motion. There were no dissenting votes.

18. Cliff Pearson had offered to mow the lot on the S/S of the railroad for a cost of \$2.50. Trustee Madison volunteered to contact the proper person to see if the State would not mow around the picnic table and litter barrell. It was decided to let Cliff Pearson mow it this time but we would wait for a report from Trustee Madison before he is given the go-ahead to continue at this price. It was agreed to pay him \$1.50 if he does not have to mow around the table.

19. Chairman Jordan reported that Gertie Bybee had asked to be relieved as Clerk of the Cemetery. She had agreed to remain as City Clerk at a salary of \$50 per month. Carrie Lee Jordan has agreed to assume the duties as Clerk of the Cemetery for a salary of \$25 per month. Trustee Lowe made a motion that Carie Lee Jordan assume the duties of the Clerk of the Cemtery. Trustee Madison seconded the motion. There were no dissenting votes.

20. Chairman Jordan reported that Carrie Lee had contacted Marshall Parrish regarding the condition of the fence at the Cemetery. Marshall said as soon as he was caught up on his mowing, he would repair this fence if the Cemtery would hire aman to help him. Trustee Jordan was authorized to convey the message to Mrs. Jordan to proceed with this job.

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21. Clerk was asked to write the L& N Railroad concerning mowing of their tracts. Weeds are growing all along the L & N right-of-way.

22. The Board took no action on the daylight saving time.

23. In order to get the new hose for the fire truck at a cheaper rate, it was purchased separately. A bill for \$1560 has been received and is to be paid by July 1. There is a 2% discount if paid in 30 days. Since there is sufficient money in the general account to pay this bill, Trustee Lowe made a motion that the Clerk pay this bill from the general fund and when the money is borrowed to pay for the remainder of the new fire equipment, this amount will be refunded to the City. Trustee Powell seconded the motion. There were no dissenting votes.

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

These minutes have been written into the records this 7 day of June, 1961.

Gertie Bybee, Clerk

F. M. Jordan, Chairman