## MINUTES CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING SMITHS GROVE MUNICIPAL BUILDING MARCH 24, 2008 7:00 P.M.

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

Also present City Attorney Wes Milliken

Mayor Watt called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of Regular Meeting (February 25, 2008)

Mayor Watt asked the Commission if there were any questions with none, minutes of above-reference motion was made by C. Varner second by C. Higginbotham to approve said minutes. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, C. Varner, Mayor Watt and C. Pierce. Voting no: none.

# REPORTS

Treasure Report (February)

Commissioner Higginbotham makes a motion to approve February report Commissioner Pierce seconds. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, C. Varner, Mayor Watt, C. Pierce. Voting no: none.

Public Safety, Health & Welfare Report

Commissioner Higginbotham said he is going to get some information cards done the size of credit cards to give to the public in case of an emergency.

Police Report

Commissioner Varner read the police report asked Chief Vance if he anything else to report Chief Vance said no.

Street Report

Commissioner Pierce said that Chief Vance had got the inmates this last week they got signs put up, cleaned City Hall and the park. He would like to see them out here again soon to get up there on Main Street.

Cemetery Report

Mayor Watt said Commissioner Martin is not here, he is on vacation. The new contractors signed the contract will be starting on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Beautification

Sherry Higginbotham said no report. Commissioner Pierce asked had the committee given much thought on fund raising for wall decoration out in front of the city hall? Sherry said she hopes to have a meeting next month.

Christmas Report No report

#### Annexation

Commissioner Higginbotham said he and Commissioner Pierce had met with Jim Adams and things are going to plan on the annexation.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Purchase MDT**

The Mayor said he needs a motion to purchase the MDT even though this is a 100% grant the city has to pay for it and then they will turn around and be reimbursed. The cost is around \$ 9,571.00 Bradd will pay for all except \$16.70 for the cable, and the installing of the MDT which is about \$750.00. Commissioner Higginbotham makes a motion to purchase the MDT Commissioner Pierce seconds the motion. Chief Vance said he has to do some on- line training but he already is certified. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, C. Varner, Mayor Watt, C. Pierce. Voting no: none.

#### **Paying Elected Officials for Missing Meetings**

Tabled for next month

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ordinance # 08-01-230.20 Amending FY 07-08 Annual Budget 07-01-230.20 Mayor Watt asked the clerk to explain what this ordinance is, the clerk explained to the Commission that the sidewalk project, when the bid was excepted that was more then what we had budgeted, the MDT computer needs to be installed by the 15<sup>th</sup> of April. I have included that as well. Commissioner Higginbotham approves Ordinance # 08-01-230.00 Amending FY 07-08 Annual Budget 07-01-230.20. Commissioner Pierce seconds. With no further questions A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, C. Varner, Mayor Watt, C. Pierce. Voting no: none. Ordinance # 08-02-230.20 Amending the City of Smiths Grove Annual Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

Mayor Watt said this is the same just a different format of the amendment. Commissioner Pierce makes a motion to approve Ordinance #08-02-230.20 Amending the City of Smiths Grove Commissioner Varner seconds. With no further questions. A roll call was taken. Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, C. Varner, Mayor Watt and C. Pierce. Voting no: none.

Ordinance # 08-01-910.00 Adoption of International Property Maintenance Code. Mayor Watt said he and the clerk had met with Steve Hunter and Amy Milliken the Mayor from Woodburn also was there.

Wes Milliken had explained that the city doing this ordinance they are joining the maintenance code with Warren County and one of there code of enforcers comes up here. Commissioner Pierce made the motion to accept Ordinance # 08-01-910.00 Adoption of International Property Maintenance Code Commissioner Varner seconds. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, C. Varner, Mayor Watt, C. Pierce. Voting no: none

Mayor Watt adjourned the meeting approximately 7:50 p.m.

APPROVED: \_\_

LARRY STEVE WATT, MAYOR

ATTEST:\_\_

DONNA L LOONEY, CITY CLERK

DATE:

Minutes were prepared by City Clerk Donna L Looney