

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lucian Flora at approximately 8:00 PM in his office on Highland Avenue. Present in addition to Mr. Flora were Board members Dr. Robert Baum and Mr. James Bell. Also in attendance were City Marshall William Denham and Mr. Arliss Lindsey of Lindsey's Sanitation Service.

1) The minutes of the preceding Board meeting were read by the Clerk and approved by the Board members present.

2) Marshall Denham first tossed in a comment about the unsupervised children problem in the City as well as current cases of vandalism that had been reported to him.

3) Chairman Flora first gave the floor to Mr. Lindsey who said that he wished to give the Board the facts concerning recent complications that had developed concerning garbage collection activities in the City. He said that the Board had originally invited him into Smiths Grove to handle the garbage pick-up and went on to inform the Board that of late a newcomer had been trying to move in on the Lindsey Sanitation Service's route in the City. Mr. Lindsey went on to say that he believed the Board should give him some support in this matter as it was causing confusion for both his customers and his employees. He said that the other was the cause of this situation and was even spreading false rumors about Lindsey. Mr. Lindsey continued saying that he knew he had no franchise to operate within Smiths Grove, but that the City was not big enough for two such organizations to operate in.

Dr. Baum said that he believed the City should publish a notice in the DAILY NEWS for several days informing residents of Smiths Grove that Mr. Lindsey was still in operation in the City and has no intention of ending his service here. Dr. Baum added that mention should also be made of the fact that the Board had invited Mr. Lindsey into the City. Chairman Flora commented that he believed the City would have to issue a franchise before others could be barred from picking up trash on a regular basis in the City, but he added that the Board would have to get legal advice on this question.

DR. BAUM MADE A MOTION THAT A NOTICE AS SET FORTH ABOVE BE PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY NEWS. MR. BELL SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE NOTICE SHOULD BE RUN FOR THREE DAYS.

4) Chairman Flora brought up the State Department of Transportation contract relating to the 1974-75 Municipal Aid money for the Street Department, which the City Clerk had recently received. The three copies of the contract were passed to the three Board members present who then reviewed the terms which were the same as the previous year's. A resolution accepting the contract was put forth by Chairman Flora and seconded by Mr. Bell. It was unanimously approved by the three Board members present. The approval of the other two remaining Board members is to be sought as soon as possible.

5) Marshall Denham spoke about the rash of thievery that is occurring at present in the City.

6) Chairman Flora then brought before the Board the latest report form that the City had received from the Federal government concerning the Revenue Sharing money. This was a Planned Use Report Form for the Fifth Entitlement Period of July 1, 1974 through June 30, 1975. For this period the Treasury Department estimates that Smiths Grove will receive a total of \$4,417.00. The Board had to decide under what purpose heading or headings they would put this money. Even though at this time the Board was fairly sure that the Revenue Sharing money would again go on the streets, just in case any emergency came up it decided to give itself as much leeway as possible and so put the funds under the heading of "Multi-Purpose and General Government." The Form also has to be published.

7) Chairman Flora then brought up a list of seventeen proposed additions to be made to the City's street lighting system. The list, compiled by the Clerk who took into account the spots which he thought needed more light in addition to those places which both Board members and the Marshall had recommended as "dark spots", was read by the Chairman. The Chairman then suggested that the Board approve the additions. DR. BAUM MADE THE MOTION THAT THE CITY ADD THE SEVENTEEN LIGHTS TO THE SYSTEM. MR. BELL SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH WAS APPROVED WITH AN ABSENCE OF DISSENTING VOTES. Chairman Flora authorized the Clerk to notify the WRECC of the decision and to have the lights installed. A copy of this list is attached to these minutes.

8) Marshall Denham made a request to the Board that he be allowed to buy a shotgun. He said that he needed such a weapon in order to more effectively intimidate any suspects he might come upon during his rounds. Chairman Flora commented that he believed action should be deferred on the question until the Marshall could get an estimate on such a gun.

9) A lengthy discussion followed concerning the setting up of a curfew for the City. The Board members present and the City Marshall expressed their agreement with the idea of such an action. Chairman Flora commented that he believed the City needed to contact County Attorney Mr. Henry Potter about this in order to obtain additional details.

However, Dr. Baum believed some action should be taken immediately in order to give the Marshall another lever to use against those such as the insomniatic twelve, thirteen, fourteen and so on year olds who have taken to roaming the streets late at night. Marshall Denham noted that a curfew would apply to persons of any age who had no business roaming about the City late at night. DR. BAUM, THEREFORE, MADE THE MOTION THAT A CURFEW BE SET UP IN THE CITY OF SMITHS GROVE FOR 10:00 PM EVERY NIGHT EXCEPT FOR THOSE NIGHTS WHEN SOME SPECIAL EVENT WOULD RESULT IN MANY PEOPLE BEING OUT AN HOUR OR SO LATER. Marshall Denham noted that under a curfew he could order anyone to return to their homes if they were not going directly there. MR. BELL SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED WITH NO NEGATIVE VOTES. Marshall Denham commented that a notice needed to be published in the DAILY NEWS just before Halloween reminding all of the existence of the curfew.

10) Chairman Flora then brought the discussion around to the rumor he had heard that Mr. Bell was soon to be leaving the City and, as a consequence, the Board. Mr. Bell said that the rumor was true. Chairman Flora expressed his appreciation for the job that Mr. Bell had done both as a Board member and as a citizen of Smiths Grove. The Chairman then brought the question up of who the Board could get to replace Mr. Bell. The Clerk and Dr. Baum were of the opinion that it would probably be helpful if a Black member could be found to represent the Black segment of the City's population. General agreement was expressed with this idea and the names of possible candidates were tossed around. It was finally narrowed to a choice between possibly Mr. Cliff Pearson or Mr. Buster Allen. Dr. Baum expressed the opinion that he thought a couple of Board members should visit one or both of these men to find out if either would be interested.

There being no further business to bring before the Board at the present time, Mr. Bell was given the "honor" of making the motion to adjourn. He did so and it was seconded by Dr. Baum and approved. Chairman Flora set June 24th as the date for the next meeting of the Board.

APPROVED:

Lucian E. DeLosa  
Chairman, Board of Trustees.

ATTEST:

Stephen B. Flora  
City Clerk.

STREET LIGHT ADDITIONS (PROPOSED)

- 1) On Highland Avenue between the middle and Laurel St.
- 2) On Highland Avenue between the middle and the next light down in direction of Rumsey Avenue.
- 3) On South Main Nr. Thomas Webb's where the street from Lonard Vincent's meets Main.
- 4) At approximately the City limits on Mill Street (nr Bill Smith's.
- 5) On that section of Kentucky between the RR and Laurel (approximately in the middle).
- 6) Add a security light to illuminate the side of the Fire-Police Station near Main.
- 7) On First Street in middle of block between Main and Sunset Sts. (at corner of St. and alley near Post Office)
- 8) On College Street between First and Second Streets
- 9) On College Street between Broadway and Fourth Sts.
- 10) On College Street Between Fourth and Fifth Sts.
- 11) On Fourth St. between College and Main.
- 12) On Fifth St. between College and Main.
- 13) On Hedge St. between Fourth and Sixth Sts.
- 14) On Wayne St. halfway between Fourth and Broadway.
- 15) On Broadway between Hardy's and Madison's.
- 16) On Kentucky Street near Jimmy Anderson's.
- 17) On Main Street between Third and Fourth Sts.

List submitted by City Clerk S.B. Flora 5-27-74

Approved by Board 5-27-74