REGULAR MEETING: October 23, 1979

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Smiths Grove, was held on October we, 1979 at the temporary City Hall. Board members present were Robert Appling, Leland Anderson, Charles Cowles, and Paul Proffitt. In the absence of Board Chairman Harlin, who was attending a seminar on Building Codes, Mr. Proffitt chaired the meeting.

Mr. Proffitt called the meeting to order.

The bids for the Municipal Aid project were opened. There was only one bid, Glasgow Paving Co., of \$32.50/ton. Mr. Cowles moved, Mr. Anderson seconded the bid be accepted. Motion carried.

The minutes of the previous meetings were handed to each Board member to read. As there were no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved. The Treasurer's & Tax Reports were given. (attached)

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Fire Dept.- The insurance on the truck is due, \$229.00. The City is on a three truck policy with the County Fire Department and needs to pay them. Mr. Appling moved, Mr. Anderson seconded the bill be paid. Motion carried. The pumper test must be set up on the truck. Mr. Appling reported the fire department would check it this week.

Water Dept- Mr. Liles is not going to put the water line in until after the election. The hose has to be changed before it rots. No definite action was taken, but Mr. Appling will talk with the Fire Dept. about getting it changed. The Fire Dept. is making arrangements to guard the hose on Halloween. Mr. Proffitt will check with Richard Kirby to see if anyone has to be deputized or if the firemen have a right to protect their hose.

Police Dept. - Mr. Cowles reported everyone seems pleased with Mr. Lowe. People have begun burning leaves, and Mr. Cowles will talk with Mr. Lowe about the Ordinance stating leaves may not be burned along the blacktop.

Street Dept.- An alley between 4th & 5th Streets needs some gravel. Mr. Proffitt moved, Mr. Anderson seconded that 1 or 2 loads (whatever is needed) be ordered. Motion carried. Mr. Proffitt will take care of this. The clerk again brought up the need for property owners street footage in order to send out 1978 Street project bills. Mr. Appling suggested the clerk go the the courthouse and take it off the Deed Books.

Cemetery- No report

Old Business:

License & Tax Ordinance- The clerk gave the Board copies of the Ordinance that they had asked Mr. Bryant to draw up, for them to study. There are some problems in passing the Ordinance as it is, due to the City being out of step with the County from whom they get their tax assessments. The County is on a calendar year; the City's fiscal year runs July 1, through June 30, and bills in September for the previous year's taxes. This is poor practice and is not in keeping with state statutes. Correcting the problem would involve moving the billing date up to March, or changing to a calendar year. This would involve either one bill for 18 months next Sept., or a 6 month billing in March and then regular billing in Sept. After the first year all bills would be for 12 mon periods. It would be very difficult to explain to the public either way. The Orcinance also covers Occupational & Unloading Licenses. There was a brief discussion about Occupational Licenses. Mr. Flora still has not paid and the Board again expressed the feeling he should. The Ordinance is under further study. Community Development- Mr. Ralph Anderson presented the C. D. Financial Statement. (attached) Mr. Cowles moved, Mr. Anderson seconded the statement be accepted. Motion carried. Mr. Anderson stated he felt our pre-application for C. D. funds for this year had little chance because we had not spent quite enough of the previous grant. If the program cores well otherwise, it would be a good indication for trying it again next year.

City Hall- Proposals were opened on office furniture for City Hall ..

Kelley's Office Equipment \$547.50 Pen & Paper Ink 463.96*

Mr. Appling moved, Mr. Anderson seconded we accept the low proposal from Pen & Paper Ink. Motion Carried.

The Clerk reported the need for the Board to set aside an additional \$1,828.00 for the City Hall, to cover the bid. BRADD needs this information in order to get the A.D.F. funds released. Mr. Appling moved, Mr. Cowles seconded that an additional \$1,828.00 from Revenue Sharing funds be set aside for the City Hall. Motion carried unanimously. A bill from Kelley's for \$104.81 was presented. Mr. Cowles moved, Mr. Anderson seconded that the bill should be paid. Motion carried. A bill for \$94.92 from Pen & Paper Ink for the new calculator was presented. Mr. Appling moved, Mr. Anderson seconded the bill be paid. Motion carried.

New Business:

Building Permits-1. Lions Club-square post building Mr. Cowles moved, Mr. Appling seconded to issue the permit. Motion carried. 2. Geneva Anderson-garage Mr. Cowles moved, Mr. Anderson seconded the permit be granted. Motion carried.

3. Jerry Barrick- Office for used car sales Mr. Anderson moved, Mr. Appling seconded the permit be granted. Motion carried. 4. Leonard Edwards- Interior Remodeling Mr. Appling moved, Mr. Cowles seconded, the permit be granted. Motion carried.

Halloween Curfew- A curfew for children on Halloween was discussed. It was decided that the City would enforce whatever the County decided on.

The meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED: Cresly & Hailing

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