# MINUTES SMITHS GROVE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING SMITES GROVE MUNICIPAL CENTER MONDAY SEPTEMBER 25, 2006 7:00 P.M.

All members were present: Mayor Watt, Commissioner Varner,

Commissioner Higginbotham, Commissioner Martin and Commissioner Pierce

Absent: none. There was a full quorum

Mayor Watt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Watt thanked everyone for being here, said everyone is special. Wanted to thank Jolynn Vincent with "Bradd" for being here asked Jolynn if she had anything to say. She had explained the next board meeting would be next month.

Mayor Watt said that the City now has another Officer his name is Marcus Thurman. He will now be sworn in. Mayor Watt had sworn him in he and the Commissioner thanked him for being with Smiths Grove.

#### READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of Regular Meeting August 28,2006

Minutes of the above-referenced, motion made by Commissioner Pierce seconded by Commissioner Varner to approve said minutes as written. Mayor Watt asked for discussion with none. Roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Varner, C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt, C. Martin and C. Pierce. Voting no: none

#### REPORTS

#### Treasurer Report (August 06)

Mayor Watt asked the Commission if they have any questions with none given Motion was made by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Pierce to approve the August 06 Treasurer Report. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Varner, C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt, C. Martin and C. Pierce. Voting no: none

#### Police Report

Commissioner Varner thanked Officer Thurman for being here and welcomed him. Commissioner Varner read the August 06 Police Report:

Emergency/911 calls: (15) Non Emergency calls: (21) Arrests: (18) Complaints (36)

Traffic Stops (23) Citations (26) Courtesy Notices (10) Escorts (10)

Accidents w/Injuries (0) Accidents w/o Injuries (4) Assist other Departments (12) Cases opened (5) Thefts (3) Burglaries (0) Assaults (1) Warrants served (3) Civil Documents Served (5) Animal Complaints (0) Total miles patrolled 3,635.

Commissioner Varner if Chief Vance had anything to add Chief Vance said no.

# Cemetery Report

Commissioner Higginbotham said for those of you who have seen the cemetery he is aware that it has not been looking good, they were out there before he came to the meeting. The Smiths Grove Baptist Church had came out and painted the chapel, looks really good. Just the hard wood needs done. Mayor Watt asked the clerk to get a thank you card to the church.

# Street Report

Commissioner Martin said he has nothing to report.

# Public Safety, Health & Welfare

Commissioner Pierce said he has nothing to report. Just remind everyone the Fire Department has the cakewalk and selling raffle tickets for a gun.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## Beautification

Sherry Higginbotham said that last months meeting was canceled. On September 30<sup>th</sup> they will decorate the outside of the City Hall.

# Christmas Parade

Commissioner Martin said everything is going well.

#### Annexation

Commissioner Higginbotham said that on Wednesday they would have a special meeting and have the City Attorney there for the legal issues, that everything is going good.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Carroll Beverly said he is here to discuss issues about the Cemetery Chapel. He had been on vacation and had asked the Mayor if he could be on the agenda. He wanted to thank the Mayor and Commission that they seem to be doing a great job. But he feels more should be done. He hopes the Mayor and Commission will just continue to stay on the right track.

## CD Player for Christmas Parade

Commissioner Martin would like for the city to donate a player for the Christmas Parade, Mayor Watt asked Officer Thurman if he would like to share with everyone what he had done. Officer Thurman said that the National Guard had donated a CD Player to the city. Everyone had thanked Officer Thurman.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance # 07-01 230.10) 2007 Motor Vehicle & Watercraft Property Tax) Mayor Watt asked the Commission if there were any questions with none, a motion was made by Commissioner Varner seconded by Commissioner Higginbotham to accept 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance # 07-01 230.10 (2007 Motor Vehicle & Watercraft Property Tax) With no more questions. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Varner, C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt, C. Martin and C. Pierce. Voting no: none Lion's Club Donation

Commissioner Higginbotham has not got an answer yet on the amount. Mayor Watt said that this would carry over for the next meeting.

Mayor Watt asked the Commission if there were any more questions with none. Mayor Watt adjourned the meeting approximately at 7:35 p.m.

APPROVED:LARRY STEVE WATT, MAYOR
ATTEST: DONNA L LOONEY CITY CLERK
DATE:
Minutes were prepared by City Clerk Donna L Looney