

MINUTES  
SMITHS GROVE CITY SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
SMITHS GROVE MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025, 5:30pm

Mayor Stiffey called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

Members Present: Mayor David Stiffey, Commissioner Jennifer Cartwright, Commissioner Eric Schroader, Commissioner Bob Buehl, City Attorney Hamp Moore, Police Sergeant Bessette, City Clerk Alice Elkins, Assistant City Clerk Debbie Joyner

Members Absent: none

Invocation was given by Alice Elkins

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Mayor Stiffey explained that we would be appointing a City Commissioner due to vacant seat (held by Buddy Marr). No one ran to fill this position in the 2024 election. There were two individuals interested. He introduced them and they told a little about themselves, Sarah Light and Patrick Young. Each of them spoke a turn telling a little about themselves and stating why they were interested in being a commissioner.

After the introductions, Mayor Stiffey proceeded with the voting of the new commissioner. Attorney Hamp Moore assisted with the voting, collected the ballots and read the vote as 3-1 in favor of Patrick Young. A motion was made by Commissioner Buehl to accept Patrick Young as the new commissioner. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schroader. Commissioner Buehl thanked both candidates for their willingness to serve. Patrick Young was approved by 4-0 vote.


Mayor Stiffey swore in Commissioner Young. Commissioner Young took his seat at the Commissioner table.

Mayor Stiffey then proceeded to designate the departments for each commissioner. With some discussion, the Commissioners decided on the following department responsibilities: Commissioner Cartwright will remain with Code & Municipal Ordinance Enforcement, Commissioner Schroader will remain with Police & Public Safety. Commissioner Buehl will move to Public Works and Commissioner Young will be department head for Cemetery. Mayor Stiffey made a motion to assign these department heads, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Schroader. The motion was approved by 5-0 vote.

The commissioners also discussed who would be designated Mayor Pro-tem, which offers support and signs checks in the Mayor's absence. Commissioner Buehl made a motion to designate Commissioner Schroader as Mayor Pro-tem, Commissioner Cartwright seconded the motion. The motion was approved by 5-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 pm by Mayor Stiffey.

APPROVED

  
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DAVID L. STIFFEY, MAYOR

ATTEST Debbie Joyner by Alice Elkins  
DEBBIE JOYNER, ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

DATE January 27, 2025  
Minutes were prepared by Alice Elkins, City Clerk