**SEPTEMBER 19, 2017**

**VILLAGE OF SOMERSET COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Members present** were: Mike Lally, Bill Mohler, Eric Emmert, Doug Fehrman, Eric Huston and President David Snider who resided as Mayor in his absence. Also present were Kelly Beem, Will Flautt, Chief Pressdee and Stacey Hicks.

**Guests**, David Hansen and Rick Strohl

Mr. Snider opened the meeting by leading The Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES:** The minutes from Sept 5, 2017 were discussed. With no changes, Eric E. motioned to approve, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Innovation Gateway:** Mr. Hansen approached Council. He reviewed the budget proposal for the new learning center. Total budget for this project is $1,514,000. He stated that we still need to close on the Underwood’s building, and that should be happening very soon. Council would like to wait till next meeting with Mayor to approve the budget. Mr. Hansen will return for the Oct. 3rd meeting.

**Streetscape:** Eric H. stated everything is going great and according to schedule. The crews are working on the wiring for light poles. The fuel tanks that were buried in front of Montel’s are going to be removed or drained and filled with concrete.

**Genesis:** Kelly shared with council an agreement with Genesis to use our property next to their construction site to deposit clean fill material. Doug motioned to approve the agreement as long as Genesis seed and mulch the land afterwards. His motion was seconded by Eric E. All voted Aye.

**Alley:** Will Flautt stated he will have complete information on opening the alley around S. Columbus, S. Market and W. Sheridan. Lydella and Ken Smith came to this meeting to hear what council has decided. Kelly will contact them by next meeting pending Will Flautt’s approval.

**Somerset Mobile Home Property:** Kelly shared the need to proceed with the purchase agreement for the property around the trailer park. Council talked about a right of way easement in the contract and asked Kelly to contact Andy Knisley to make an additional change. They also wanted to add language on the right of way that is shown on the Plat Map.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Building Ordinance & Agreement: (3rd reading)**

Res. 17-08 to Create a building department. Motion by Eric H. to approve, seconded by Doug. All voted Aye, except Mike, with a no vote.

Res. 17-09 to approve sub-department certification with Mid-Ohio Building Dept. Motion by Eric H. to approve, seconded by Eric E. All voted Aye, except Mike, with a no vote.

Agreement with Mid-Ohio Building Department and Village of Somerset. Eric H. motioned to approve, seconded by Doug. Roll call: Eric H, Eric E. and Doug yes votes, and Mike and Bill with No votes. Motion passed.

**Community Reinvestment Area:** Was deferred till next meeting when Mayor can be here.

**Res. 17-17: Amend Appropriations to transfer $25,000 from Gen to Street Fund**

Bill motioned to approve, seconded by Eric H. All voted Aye.

**Res. 17-18 Allow Mayor to prepare and submit application for funding from ARC for Genesis access road.** Eric H. motioned to approve, seconded by Doug. All voted Aye.

**Sustainable 2050 resolution:** Deferred till next meeting with Mayor.

**PAY ORDINANCE 17-17** After reviewing the bills, Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Bill asked about setting the date for Trick or Treat. Council would like it to be on Thursday Oct. 26th but asked Kelly to verify dates with Junction City and New Lexington.

Doug mentioned he would like to see in the budget for next year, money set aside to purchase a 48” Zero Turn for the Street Commissioner.

With nothing further to discuss, Doug motioned to adjourn, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye. Meeting ended at 8:50pm.

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