

MARCH 5, 2019
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET COUNCIL MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE: Mike Lally, Bill Mohler, Mechelle Siemer and David Snider. Also present were Mayor Johnson, Chief Pressdee, Will Flautt and Kelly Beem and Scott Siemer.

GUESTS:

Dan Cech from Larry Householders Office. Mayor Johnson received the Ohio History Connection State Leadership Award! Dan is here to present him with the award.

Ryan from Environmental Design Group: Dan is here with a presentation of the possibilities of St. Joseph's Lake. We have \$60,000 remaining in the budget to start some upgrades. Parking seems to be a big issue, so he will come back for the next meeting with more details.

Josh Oiler with Barnes Advertising: Josh is here for approval for the new Genesis Doctor's Office signs. Council would like him to come to next meeting with different designs for the building that does not light up. He also shared signs for the back parking. Bill motioned to approve 2 parking signs for the back and the Family Practice sign for the back entrance. Mechelle seconded his motion. All voted Aye.

Terri Reichley: Terri is here sharing her new business adventure. As part of Rosey Reds, she will have a small French Style restaurant with outdoor seating. She will be putting a permanent awning and fencing on the front of building and needs Council's approval. They asked her to come back with more details and were very excited for the new business.

Andrea Cullinan: Andrea is here for council's approval of a "Spring Clean Up Day". She wants to create an annual "Community Pride Day for the Village". The clean up day is April 27th, and a rain date will be May 5th. We need to help recruit volunteers, and spread the word. Altercare will provide drinks, food and T shirts for all volunteers. Council was very much appreciative of for The Nellie Sheridan Statue in the ground that day as well.

Jennifer Young: Jennifer is having a Spaghetti Dinner Benefit to help purchase a New to us K9 cruiser for Matt May and Dolly. The Dinner is March 23rd. She is collecting donations and there will be a silent auction, bake sale 50/50 and Live music. She also asked if council would be able to provide support as well with a match of funds to help purchase the cruiser. Council asked the Fiscal Officer to review their resources and report back at the next meeting.

MINUTES: The minutes from February 19, 2019 were mailed. David motioned to approve, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nicholson Property Purchase: David Snider met with Andy Knisley to review the easement access and to have Andy finish the Survey. Louise Kutz with Nicholsons told Kelly we only have till March 14th to close on the property.

Gateway/David Hansen: Kelly closed on the Underwood's Property on Feb. 25th. David Hansen's contract with The Village ended Dec. 31, 2018, and we have a new contract to extend. Bill motioned to approve his contract till June 1st, with provisions that he finds a way to cover the expenses such as rent, utilities, etc. David seconded his motion. Roll call, David and Bill Yes, Mechelle No, Mike Abstained. Mayor Johnson broke the tie with a Yes vote.

Mayor Johnson also asked for council approval on 2 invoices for David Hansen for January and February Services. Total is \$10,000.00. Bill motioned to approve, seconded by David. All voted Aye.

NEW BUSINESS:

Little Phil's Contract with Commodore Bank.: The agreement to hold the property for another year was discussed. The cost is \$2,500.00. Council would like to table this discussion.

Audit Report: Kelly and The Mayor reviewed the Audit Findings for 2016 & 2017. Kelly reminded council that they are required to attend a Public Records session for each term in office. Council would like Kelly to attend as their designee. Mechelle would like to attend. Kelly will look for available sessions. Other Findings included a Homestead Breakdown that was not done. Kelly made the adjustments from General Fund to Police Fund. Also noted was Grant Money not being recorded, and taking out Debt. David motioned to approve the findings and management notes for the Auditor, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye. Mayor Johnson would like to acknowledge the great work that Kelly has done. This isn't an easy job and we have never had this quality in a Fiscal Officer.

Tom owns a piece of property off St. Rt 757 and would like to recuse himself, and is asking council to discuss options with the alley. Kelly was asked by council to contact Andy Knisley for a survey of the alley off North Columbus by Mike Flautt's property.

Bill mentioned that Rita Crossan would like a small tree planted on the square and to have the windows on the courthouse painted. Some window sills also need repaired. This can be done with the Spring Clean Up Day. Bill will find out what type of tree she would like.

PAY ORDINANCE 4-2019: Council reviewed the payables. David motioned to approve, seconded by Mechelle. All voted Aye.

With no further business to discuss, Mike motioned to adjourn, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

President David Snider

Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem