

OCTOBER 4, 2016
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET COUNCIL MEETING

Council members present were: Doug Fehrman, David Snider, Mike Lally, Bill Mohler and Eric Emmert. Mayor Tom Johnson, Kelly Beem, Stacey Hicks, Chief Vandermark, and Solicitor Will Flautt were also present.

Guests: Casey Fulk from Tribune, Melissa Marolt and the Board from the Library, and many area residents

Mayor opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: The minutes from Sept. 20, 2016 were mailed to all Council members. Bill motioned to approve the minutes, and Doug seconded. All voted Aye, except Eric Emmert who abstained since he was not at that meeting.

Tom opened the floor to Melissa Marolt for discussion on the New Library.

Melissa spoke on the many concerns of the Library at the Park. She presented a drawing of the library that would be on W. Main St. as originally designed. Lots of discussion was held on the building as many still would like to see more of the Historical look to it. The windows trim needs to be white, and the benches, and flower bases need changed, and the wall with Library on it is too modern. More modifications will cost the Library Board more money which they cannot afford. Doug motioned to allow the Library Board to modify the front features of the building and the Village will pay up to \$4,000 to the Architects for a minor design change. His motion was seconded by Eric E. All voted Aye. The Library Board will meet again to discuss their options.

A five minute recess was taken to clear the Courthouse.

OLD BUSINESS:

STREETSCAPE II: A meeting was held at ODOT to discuss changes for Phase II. There are still changes that needs to happen before project approval. This phase is a cost overrun from Phase I.

ST. JOE'S LAKE: Kelly talked with Southern Ohio Appraisals and they should have our final appraisal completed and approved within 2 weeks. She will follow-up with them weekly.

NEW BUSINESS:

WORKPLACE VIOLENCE: Tom handed each council member a Workplace Violence Policy Statement. He asked if they could review on their own and discuss at the next meeting.

RES. 16-22: This resolution is in support for a 0% loan application, from LGIF to develop the community's economic and education and social development thru Somerset Innovation Gateway program. This will allow The Mayor to sign on The Village's behalf. No commitment at this point. This is to purchase Underwoods for educational purposes. Bill motioned to approve, seconded by Eric E. All voted Aye.

RES. 16-23: This resolution is in support for a 0% loan from LGIF of Somerset Renaissance redevelopment of Main St. This is to purchase several properties around the square to redevelop. No commitment at this point. Bill motioned to approve, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye.

Mayor needs to sign Memorandum of Understandings for Carpenter's Market, Perry County Job and Family Services, Genesis, Peoples Bank, for the above mentioned projects. There still is no

commitment on the Village behalf. Dave motioned to allow Mayor Johnson sign the documents, seconded by Eric E. All voted Aye.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Kelly announced that Trick or Treat will be held on Thursday Oct. 27th from 5:30 to 7pm.

Ed Reichley asked council if he could remove the brick sidewalk at his residence 118 Summit St., due to tree trunks, it has made the sidewalk very uneven and a hazard for walkers. There is a sidewalk across the street from them so there shouldn't be a problem. Bill motioned for him to remove the brick, and we will supply top soil to smooth it out then he can place grass seed down. Eric E. seconded his motioned. All voted aye.

Chief VanDermark reported that Officer Matt May and K9 Dolly are in Michigan for National Certification and doing very well. He reports several car break ins in the area. Chief also stated that he has 2 cruisers that need repairs.

PAY ORDINANCE 16-19: Council reviewed the payables. Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Dave. All voted Aye.

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

The meeting ended 9:15pm.

Mayor Tom Johnson

President David Snider

Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem