

**NOVEMBER 6, 2018**  
**VILLAGE OF SOMERSET COUNCIL MEETING**

**Members Present were:** David Snider filling in for Mayor Johnson while he is off sick. All other members present: Mechelle Siemer, Doug Fehrman, Eric Emmert, Bill Mohler and Mike Lally. Employees, Kelly Beem, Chief Pressdee and Stacey Hicks. Solicitor Will Flautt was present as well. BPA President Jim Wilson stepped in for a brief moment.

Jim Wilson asked council to not pass the handbook until they have had time to review.

President Snider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guest: Cindy Grimm** is here to thank Ron Padgett for taking care of the limb on her property at 200 E Main, very quickly.

**MINUTES:** The minutes from 10-16-18 were reviewed. Doug asked to have Waste Management added to Vince Crawford as our representative. With that correction, Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**ALLEY SURVEYS.** There is nothing to report at this time for the Schmelzer Property and the Smith Alley. Andy Knisley is to be doing the surveys.

**Library Retaining Wall.** Andy Knisley set pins on the right of way, and they are within their property line and not encroaching on the alley. The alley going North to South needs repaved. The Bricks were removed. Needs reinstalled at the same grade, sidewalk needs to be restored to previous state as well.

**E. Sheridan Tree removal and 301 E Main drainage:** Nothing to report at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**VILLAGE INSURANCE RENEWAL:** Kelly met with Kevin Howell from Wichert. Kevin explained that our current holder, (Westfield) is getting out of insuring municipalities and if we stayed with them, we would see about a 25% increase. Therefore, it was decided to look for another carrier. He found the same coverage plus a little extra from \$28,835.00 for the year which is 2.7% increase. Kelly also mention a separate policy for Cybersolution for \$590.00 a year. Bill motioned to approve, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

**TIRES FOR DUMP TRUCK:** Kelly obtained two quotes for front tires for the Street Department. Newlons was the lowest at \$353.17 with an alignment. Bill motioned to approve, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

**PUBLIC FUNDS ACCOUNTS:** Kelly was approached from another bank with 2.3% interest rates on Public Fund accounts. Currently, North Valley Bank is 1.29% and they agreed to offer a one time bump to 2.3%. So Mayor Johnson approved Kelly to make the change. Kelly contacted Commodore Bank as well. We are getting .95% and they are willing to increase to 1.5% which isn't much. Century National Bank, is offering 2.2 and higher rates. David Snider will check with PEOPLE's in New Lexington to see what they can offer.

**RES. 18-24:** To amend appropriations and resources for our Downtown revitalization Fund 4903 to stay in compliance with State Laws and declaring an emergency. Bill motioned to suspend, seconded by Mechelle. All voted Aye. Mike motioned to approve Res. 18-24 as an emergency action, seconded by Doug. All voted Aye. Kelly will send signed resolution to County Auditor for an Amended certificate.

Mike motioned to suspend rules for executive session. Seconded by Bill. All voted Aye. Bill motioned to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues, seconded by Mike. All voted

Aye. Bill motioned to return from executive session and resume regular session, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye. No action taken.

**Employee Handbook second reading:** Doug motioned to approve the second reading, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

**PAY ORDINANCE 20-2018** After members reviewed the bills and noting the purchase at Save A lot, Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

**Mike Lally** informed council that between 214 & 216 S. Columbus St., there is an electric pole with wires pulled to the vacant home. Kelly will get the pole number and contact AEP.

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

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President David Snider

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Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem