

NOVEMBER 7, 2019
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET COUNCIL MEETING

Members present were Mike Lally, Bill Mohler, Doug Fehrman, and Eric Emmert. Also present were Mayor Johnson, Kelly Beem, Will Flautt and Matt May.

GUEST: Todd Christensen. Todd is ready to advertise for The Pop Up Business promotion. Kelly will have the applications in the office and collect the \$50.00 fee. This will be a 5-6 week class on how to start up a new business in Somerset. Classes start Jan. 7th.

MINUTES: The minutes from October 3, 2019 were mailed. Eric motioned to approve, seconded by Doug. All voted Aye.

OLD BUSINESS:

Alleys Surveys: Eric explained the surveys from Kevin Cannon. There are two shed encroachments on the alley between lots 301 and 302 plus some trees. Tom recused himself from talk on the N. Columbus alley. On the N. Columbus Alley, there is a 12-foot alley with a house encroaching the alley along with a utility pole. In addition, on the 16-foot alley, there are numerous trees.

NEW BUSINESS:

Property Tax Lien for 2085 Twp. Rd 45: Kelly presented this for approval at the last BPA meeting. This resident has passed away, and the bills are being returned to the office. BPA approved the placing of the tax lien. Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye.

New Tires for Street Dept. Ron received 2 quotes for tires for his truck. Ours was the lowest at \$700.08. Eric motioned to approve, seconded by Doug. All voted Aye.

Liability Insurance Renewal: Kelly presented the quote from Wichert to renew our property insurance. The total was \$30,262, which was a little less than last year. Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

Storm Water Utility Ordinance 19-2 Third Reading: The Village is in need of storm sewer upgrades, and this ordinance allows Kelly to place a \$2.00 charge on all water/sewer customer utility bills beginning with January bills. Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

Agreement to Operate Village Parks: Will updated the agreement for the Village to cover all liability insurance for the Parks and Pool. Council would like to have the Trustees pay 50% of any liable damages over what the insurance pays. Will is to redraft the agreement and present it to Joe Flautt for The Trustees.

Tom said that Cathy Wolf's ash tree needs to come down before it falls and injures someone or property around it. Doug will look at this with Mike Fehrman and report back to council.

PAY ORDINANCES 18-2019 AND 19-2019: After reviewing the bills, Bill motioned to approve both ordinances, seconded by Doug. All voted Aye.

Sept. Financials and Bank Statement: Eric motioned to approve, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye.

Mayor Johnson talked about the capital Grant that he submitted to the Perry County Community Improvement Corporation for submission to the state. This would include two projects. The First project is to build a New Fire Dept., Police Dept., a Civic Center all in one building, and add a Heli-Pad for the Hospital. We own 3 acres there and he is not sure if that is enough property to build

all that. There may be an option to purchase adjoining land next to ours. Eric will inquire with the property owners. The second project is for the Jacob Miller Tavern.

Mayor Johnson said the upstairs men's bathroom is out of order, and asked Kelly to get estimate on repairs.

Kelly mentioned that she and The Police dept. are collecting Hams and Turkeys again this year. The Officers will make random stops in the village and hand them out. Eric and Doug would like to donate turkeys for this as well from the Fire Department.

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

President David Snider

Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem