

COUNCIL MINUTES 2-3-2015

Tuesday, February 3, 2015 Council met in regular session. Present were Mayor Tom Johnson, Council Members included were Dave Snider, Eric Huston, Doug Fehrman, Mike Lally, Bill Mohler, and Linda Henery. Also attending were Will Flautt, Village Solicitor, Kelly Beem, Jane Foulk.

Guests attending were Mike Henery and Casey Sargel from Perry Tribune.

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.
Please of Allegiance was led by Mayor Johnson.

Tom read the minutes from January 20, 2015 meeting. Doug motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

Village Committees are passed out for review and acceptance. It will be posted within the Village.

Junk Cars are still an issue. With the Police Chief still sick, we will hold off until next meeting to discuss with him.

Linda will volunteer to organize the Community Yard sales for Somerset. She will plan 2 a year, one being in the spring and the other late summer or early Fall. She is to publicize it as Yard Sale/Flea Market. It would be very hard to minimize individual yard sales, and as long as there are no complaints filed with Police or Village Authorities people can continue with yard sales. If it becomes a nuisance, the Solicitor will draft an Ordinance.

The Clean Ohio application for St. Josephs Lake was submitted on Friday, January 30, 2015. Dave reports that approximately 3 million is available, and in Perry County, only about 2 million was submitted. So it looks favorable for the Village. On Feb 12, the applications will be evaluated, and on Feb 27, they will be sent to State. Awards should be presented in middle of May.

Our website designed let it go as of January 2015. We need to find a web developer to design and maintain our Website. We could possibly purchase our old site. We could contact our Computer guy Jay Snedden about this.

Financials were unavailable.

There are issues with employees and overtime. Tom suggests the board go into executive session.

Linda motions to suspend regular meeting, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

Tom asks for a motion to go into executive session to discuss payroll for public employees. Motion was made by Mike, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

Motion was made to go back in to regular session by Dave, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye. No action was taken.

Jim Emmert came to meeting. Bill and Tom went to Board of Trustees meeting regarding the Lutheran Cemetery. Deeds have been transferred to township and to avoid property taxes, they must file exemption. Agreement between township and Village of Somerset was that we would mow and maintain cemetery and they would provide mower and gas for mower. But Tom wants to work towards a long term solution. There are other villages and townships that have tax levies to maintain cemeteries. The will of council is to proceed with agreement and maintain cemetery and work towards a long term agreement. Who is legal entity of deeds for cemetery? Will Flautt is to check on the deeds and report back to Tom and council.

There was no New Business to discuss.

The board reviewed the Pay Ordinance 15-09 for \$92,851.81. Motion to approve by Dave and seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

Compliments were made to Ron Padgett for keeping the streets cleared with all the snow and ice we have had. He is out all hours of day and night keeping our street cleared.

Motion to adjourn was made by Doug and seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

Tom Johnson, Mayor

Dave Snider, Council President

Kelly Beem, Fiscal Officer