

MAY 21, 2019
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET COUNCIL MEETING

Members present were: Doug Fehrman, Eric Emmert, Bill Mohler and Mike Lally. David Snider was here replacing Mayor Johnson. Also present were Kelly Beem, Chief Pressdee and Will Flautt.

Guest: Mitch Altier: The draft funding list was released today for the WSRLA funding. We submitted a water improvements project of \$939,100, and you were approved for \$469,550 in grant and \$469,550 in 0% loan. We were already approved for \$48,999 in grant from OPWC for the tank painting portion of the project. The waterline replacements are on South Columbus, North and South Market, and East Gay. The Board of Public Affairs wants to proceed with the tank painting now and discuss the other later. Mitch has a consulting contract for \$13,600.00 for the Water Tank Painting. Doug motioned to approve Mayor Johnson signing the contract pending review by Will Flautt, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

MINUTES: The minutes from May 7, 2019 were mailed and emailed. Eric motioned to approve, seconded by Doug. All voted Aye.

OLD BUSINESS:

Alex Bandar Contract: Resolution 8-19: Council reviewed the contract and would like to have David Hansen's name removed from page 2. The contract runs from May to August for \$18,000.00. Once the correction is made, Bill motioned to approve, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

ODOT TAP Contract: Resolution 7-19 This contract for Streetscape was approved by email votes on May 10, 2019 by Eric, Bill, Doug and David. Mechelle did not respond and since I had a majority vote, Mike was not contacted. IBI group needed this approved and submitted by May 17th. Council would like Mayor Johnson to explain where the money is coming from for the 5% commitment for local portion for the construction cost and the cost of the Engineer's fee.

Genesis Access Road: resolution 9-19. This is a resolution agreement with Village of Somerset and ODOT for the construction of the new access road to Genesis. The Local Portion of \$50,917.00 will be paid to Village by Genesis. Kelly will then cut a check to ODOT. Doug motioned to authorize Mayor Johnson to sign the resolution and contract, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye. Doug would also like to see street lights on this new road.

Nicholson Property: Eric received the survey from Andy Knisley. We are waiting on it to be recorded before we can proceed.

St. Joe's Lake: The deadline to use up the grant money is not far away. Kelly will contact Environmental Design Group to have them attend the next meeting. Eric asked Kelly to get a key from the Water and Sewer departments for the gate at the Lake in case they ever need in for an emergency.

Employee Handbook: Kelly presented the handbook again to council awaiting the third and final reading of it. Bill would like to have a section of No Severance pay included. More discuss to follow. Council members will review the handbook and discuss at the next meeting. Council asked Kelly to get signs posted for no weapons/guns of any sort on any of Village premises.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 10-19: Accept the Auditors estimate of 2.1 Replacement Tax Levy and submit to Board of Elections. Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye.

Storm Sewer Ordinance: First reading: The Village is experiencing drainage problems with storm sewers. There is no money set aside in the General Fund to cover costs to repair. Therefore, an Ordinance is on the table to add a \$2.00 a month Storm Sewer Fee to all our customers. This will be included on the water and sewer bills. Some wording on the resolution needs addressed. Doug motioned to approve the first reading, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

Nature Works Grant: The Village would like to submit an application to repair the trails at Finck's Nature Preserve, and possibly for a dog Park in that area. Doug motioned to authorize Mayor Johnson to sign the application. There is a 25% local match on whatever amount we get approved for.

Community Yard Sale: Kelly would like to set the Yard Sale date for June 7th & 8th. Everyone was good with that. She will post on website and Facebook.

Resolution 6-19 to Amend Appropriations and certify with County Auditor. Kelly stated the need to adjust resources for Permissive, Police and Water Funds and adjust Appropriations for Permissive, Street and General Funds. Bill motioned to approve, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye.

PAY ORDINANCE 9-19: After review of the payables, and Credit Card Statement, Bill motioned to approve, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye.

Chief Pressdee thanked council for the purchase on the new K9 vehicle. He really appreciates it. He also mentioned that Coolville Police Department would like to purchase the Old Crown Vic K9 car basically for the K9 insert. They offered \$500.00. Kelly stated that she got \$1,000.00 donation from American Legion 726 in East Fultonham to help with the insert for the new cruiser. Bill motioned to approve the sale of the old cruiser to Coolville, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye.

Chief Pressdee added his last day will be June 14th, before deployment. He will be using a week vacation before he leaves to spend with his family.

Chief would like to hire 2 part time officers for up to 20 hours a week while he is gone.

It was mentioned by Eric to have Ron Padgett purchase paint from Underwoods when possible For the curbs, and streets.

David will also contact Ron to get the flashing crosswalk lights installed.

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

President David Snider

Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem