

AUGUST 6, 2019
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET COUNCIL MEETING

Members present: David Snider, Mechelle Seimer, Doug Fehrman, Mike Lally, Bill Mohler and Eric Emmert. Also present were Mayor Johnson, Kelly Beem, Solicitor Will Flautt and Chief Matt May.

Guests included: Michelle Robinson, Rick Akers and Tim Sword

Sheriff Barker, deputies Brandon Forester and Josh Dixon

Chief May presented Award Certificates to Deputies Forester and Dixon for their quick response to an Armed Robbery at The Duke & Duchess Station. Both Officers took control of the scene and apprehended the suspect.

Mike Pargeon is here to discuss and get guidance on the Rat Infestation at his house and the whole block around him. Mayor Johnson had a call from Perry Mutual about the same problem. The Health Department was contacted and Commodore Bank has an exterminator come out. Mayor said all places must be exterminated for the Public Safety and Health issues. He will contact Kimpel, and Mike Flautt on this as well since they are property owners. Mr. Pargeon wants to know what to do after the rats are gone because there is so much feces and urine in his house. Council said that he needs to contact the owner of the house.

MINUTES: The Minutes from June 18, 2019 were mailed. Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye except David Snider who was not present at that meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nicholson Property: Eric and Mayor Johnson decided it was best to have a right of way easement for the bottom portion of the property so Andy Knisley will include that on his survey and take to Engineers office for approval. Then when that is approved, Kelly will submit to Title Agency for a Settlement Statement in which she needs to provide to OPWC.

NEW BUSINESS:

Somerset Builders Coordinator Agreement: Rick Akers will be the New Coordinator for the Co-Sign Program from July 23, 2019 to April 23, 2020 at \$775.00 per month. With a cap of \$7,000.00 There are several businesses interested including Strong, Clay Haus, Wichert, The Barbershop, and Snack Bar. Mayor would like to see images of signs that others have done at the next meeting. The Somerset Builders Club will have an 8 week training session for Pop Up Businesses. Tom would like to see a contract at the next meeting. There is a Grant to facilitate this. David motioned to approve the agreements with a CAP on the salaries. Eric seconded his motion. All voted Aye.

OPWC Water Tank Agreement and WSRL Loan Documents: The Board of Public Affairs has agreed to paint the High Street Water tank. The Agreement with OPWC and WSRL Loan signatures pages need approval for signatures. David motioned to approve, seconded by Doug. All voted Aye. Council and Mayor Johnson would like to have a Long Term Plan from IBI regarding the water and sewer departments. They would also like the tank to be painted gray like the Gay St. Tank.

Property Tax Lien: The resident at 321 S. Market Street has not paid their water/sewer bill and the water has been shut off. The total due is \$540.49. Kelly is asking to put the delinquent amount on the property taxes. Doug motioned to approve, seconded by Mike. All voted Aye.

Solid Waste and Recycling Bid: Mayor Johnson and Kelly worked on a new Bid Specification for Waste removal. The current contract with Waste Management expires October 1, 2019, and the changes they are making, we felt the need to advertise. David motioned to approve seconded by Doug. All voted Aye. The advertising will run for 2 weeks, with Bid opening on Aug 30th.

June Bank Rec, Financials and Credit Card Statements: These were all reviewed. Doug motioned to approve all, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

PAY ORDINANCE 12-2019 AND 13-2019: After reviewing the bills, there was a comment made regarding the clothing allowance for the water and sewer departments. They asked if the amount that we paid for uniforms before going back to the clothing allowance was deducted from the amount given. Kelly said no it was not. Council would like Kelly to talk with BPA regarding this, otherwise they are getting more than \$500.00 a year. David motioned to approve seconded by Mechelle. All voted Aye.

Doug mentioned that it would be nice to have a Kiosk next to the Charging station to inform people what Somerset has to offer, and the directions to get places.

Mike would like to see St. Joe's design at the next meeting, with plans on the money that needs to be used.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

David Snider, President

Kelly Beem, Fiscal Officer