

MAY 27, 2025
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET COUNCIL MEETING

Members present: Mechelle Siemer, Chris Shonk, Cindy Hayes and Ryan Green. Also present were Mayor Eric Emmert, Kelly Beem and Chief Flautt.

Mayor Emmert asked for a motion to excuse Doug Fehrman. No motion was made.

Guest: Chuck Underwood is here to voice his opinion on the upcoming traffic pattern change on the square. He thinks this will be a disaster. It will not slow traffic down. All council members think this is what's needed with the flow of traffic we have. Mostly concerned with the crosswalks and pedestrians. Council members and Mayor Emmert have met with ODOT on several occasions regarding this, and ODOT believes this is the best solution.

MINUTES: The minutes from May 13, 2025 were reviewed. Cindy motioned to approve, seconded by Ryan. All voted Aye, except Mechelle abstained.

Police Chief Reports: Chief Ross reports the Memorial Parade was very successful and a very nice turnout for it. He stated the tree on S. Market that removed by Kelly Clapper went very smooth and fast. Parr Safety has pushed back the date to install the lights and siren on the new cruiser till September. He is looking into alternatives to have installed, but Parr was already paid through the purchase of the vehicle. Chief would like to order a K9 car temperature monitor. This will alert the officer if the car is too hot or if the dog needs assistance. Cost is \$2,819.00 through Parr. Mechelle motioned to approve, seconded by Cindy. All voted Aye.

Fiscal Officer Reports:

Pay Ordinance 9-2025: Ryan motioned to approve, seconded by Mechelle. All voted Aye.

SBC Update: Mayor Emmert informed council that Chasity from Buckeye Hills has agreed to take charge of the Builders Club. We have an addendum to the subrecipient agreement stating Buckeye Hills shall partner with us to complete the project. Ryan motioned to approve, seconded by Mechelle. All voted Aye.

Callahan Property: Discussion was held on the lot split for the Park. Andy Knicely shows 20 acres next to the Park for the Village to keep. All council members approved the split. This will have to be filed with the county, then set for bids.

Vision and Dental Renewals with Medical Mutual: There is a slight dental increase which is \$784.32 more a year, and the Vision remained the same. Ryan motioned to approve, seconded by Mechelle. All voted Aye.

Committee Reports:

Safety: Mechelle would like to start the Crime Watch program again.

Resolution 9-2025: A resolution to amend the annual appropriations and apply for an amended certificate with County Auditor and declaring an emergency. Ryan motioned to approve, seconded by Chris. All voted Aye.

Resolution 10-2025: A resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the 10mill limitation according orc 5705.19(A). First Reading.

Mayor Emmert commended Chris on doing an amazing job on the pool.

Mechelle motioned to adjourned All Aye.

Ryan Green President

Kelly Beem Fiscal Officer