

SEPTEMBER 13, 2022
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET COUNCIL MEETING

Members Present: Eric Emmert, Ryan Green, Bill Mohler and Chris Shonk. Also present were Mayor Johnson, Chief Schons, Kelly Beem and Will Flautt.

MINUTES: Eric motioned to approve the minutes from August 23, 2022, seconded by Ryan. All voted Aye, except Bill abstained.

Jessica Moore from Fancy Court was here to get an update on the drainage at her house. Chris is trying to contract with a new contractor since his first one isn't available. He will keep on this and let Jessica know what the status is.

POLICE UPDATE: Chief Schons reported that Storm Rushing resigned as part time officer. He is aggressively recruiting at this time, hopefully for a full-time officer, or 2-part timers. The PD had 228 calls for service this month. He would like to sell an old cruiser that is beyond repair. Eric motioned to sell the cruiser on Gov Deals, seconded by Bill. All voted Aye.

OLD BUSINESS:

SBC UPDATE: Tim reviewed the structural report from Kabil Associates. There are a couple immediate temporary renovations needed to keep the building safe. He will obtain quotes for the temporary renovations. Possibility of bringing a Data Center to the Club.

Municipal Income Tax: The need for a Municipal Income tax is rising due to rise of inflation. People who are retired, has pensions, social security incomes will not be charged an Income Tax. This will only be on earned income in the Village. More information will follow in the upcoming meetings.

Village Manager: Mayor is still working on Funding.

Square Safety: Chris, Tom, Kelly and Chief met with Kendra Shenk and Joshua Otworth regarding the safety of traffic pattern and pedestrians on the square. Possible changing the pattern to yield to the left, stripping options and enhanced crosswalks were discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dogs chained up: Tom had several complaints about dogs being chained outside. We can contact the Dog Warden if the dogs are neglected or abused.

Sheridan Ave: Complaint regarding the two-way street. Possibly make it a one way. Tom will talk to Transit about exiting down the other end and not on SR 13.

Underwoods: Chuck is concerned with the shared utilities with the Builders Club. We currently split the utilities with Underwoods and SBC. Chris motioned to keep splitting the bill until we can get the utilities separated. Seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

W Gay St: Residents on W. Gay Street complain that they don't receive packages and mail due to the Alley not being named. The upper alley is actually North Alley. Instead of building homes on the North side of their property, which is W. Gay, they built on North Alley. More discussion to rename North Alley will follow. Eric would like to see North Alley made into a one-way alley. It is very hard to see around the curve.

Sheridan Monument: The monument is in desperate need of a good cleaning and polishing. We will obtain some quotes to do this.

Clay Haus Outdoor Seating: Scott presented a quote for \$60,810.00 to Tom for the landscaping and excavating work that needs to be done. Our 75% cost share with ARPA Funding would be \$45,607.50. Scott will get another quote to confirm the pricing is correct.

PAY ORDINANCE 17-22: Bill motioned to approve, seconded by Eric. All voted Aye.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned with a motion by Bill, seconded by Chris. All voted Aye.

Eric Emmert President

Kelly Beem Fiscal Officer