

Village of South Charleston

Commission Meeting

March 20, 2018

5:00 P.M.

Members Present: President Samuel Stucky, Vice President Larry Durfey, Commissioner Brad Taylor, Chief Brian Redish, Village Manager Trecia Waring, and Clerk Jessica Hiser

Guest: Michele Burns, Tom Dunlap, Martha Jo Berschet and Krista Magaw

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

I. Roll Call

II. Addition or Corrections to the Minutes

None

President Stucky motioned to approve the minutes and with a second from Commissioner Taylor and with a vote of 3/0, the motion passes.

III. Discussion of the Bills

- The bill for Integrity Automotive, Commissioner Taylor wanted to know how we would be using the cruiser. Chief explained it would be an extra vehicle for all employees to use and it would benefit for training to go back and forth versus paying mileage.

President Stucky motioned to approve the bills and with a second from Vice President Durfey and with a vote of 3/0 the motion passes.

IV. Action Items

- President Stucky motioned to approve the application for placement of farmland in an agricultural district and with a second by Vice President Durfey and with a vote of 3/0 the application is approved
- RESOLUTION 2018-2
 - o A RESOLUTION TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN OHIO LOCAL AGRICULTURAL EASEMENT PURCHASE PROGRAM.

- Commissioner Taylor wanted clarification on the Agriculture district. Do they need to renew that every 5 years for the application? Michelle said that they do not need to renew it every 5 years they do need to file with the 501C3 for the Tecumseh Land trust but that is not on the land.
- President Stucky asked if the Land Trust is aware that the Village still has the ability to claim eminent domain. Yes, they are aware of that.
- President Stucky motioned to approve the Resolution and with a second from Commissioner Taylor and a vote of 3/0, the Resolution passes.
- RESOLUTION 2018-1
 - A RESOLUTION SUPPLEMENTING CERTAIN LINE ITEMS AND AMENDING THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
 - This is a resolution supplementing the sewer fund to cover the cost of the Clarifiers that we had installed.
 - President Stucky motioned to approve the Resolution and with a second from Commissioner Taylor and a Vote of 3/0, the motion passes.

V. Village Manager Report

- Clarifiers are repaired and up and running. They have a 5-year warranty on them.
- She wanted to clarify the old cruiser would be most beneficial to have for use of meetings. Vice President Durfey asked what the cruiser was worth. Chief said the cruiser should hold its value and be worth about \$10,000. He then asked about the car parked at the sewer plant and is that going to be sold. Trecia said that she is planning on putting it up govdeals. We have had it up there before but it never sold for the \$1800 but we are going to reduce the cost and put it on there again.
- They have been patching potholes and think that the big potholes are all completely patched. They are working street by street to fill the rest. They may need to get another load of cold mix but they will use up what we have first and see where they are. Vice President Durfey asked if the potholes were patched on Williams street yet and Trecia said they are done.
- Trecia spoke to Mr. Meyer again regarding the bricks on the alley, there has been some progress but it is not completed. Mr. Meyer had a death in the family so all his work has been delayed about a week. She now has

his address, and if the bricks are not moved soon we will send a letter citing an expiration date of completion.

- They have been evaluating some streets for repairs and just a couple suggestions as to where or what to do in specific places. We could get an estimate at Sprague Road from Jamestown to the first driveway at Buckeye to grind and chips seal, she will also speak to Mr. McAdow and let him know when we decide to do that because he is usually very helpful. We can also get estimates to replace Murray Drive because the curb gutters and sidewalks there are still in good shape there are others areas that this is the case as well. We can also get some estimates on some patchwork as well. Commissioner Taylor asked if Trecia could speak with Sam McAdow about the drivers cutting the corner at the Sprague Road and 42 because they are knocking down the delineators and stop sign. In addition, if they continue to cut that they are pushing dirt and it will tear up culvert we just had redone. Trecia said yes she would speak with him and maybe consider putting up a guardrail but that would need to be discussed with the state.
- Trecia has printed out copies of the quote regarding the walk/don't walk signage. These signs will require their own post, which she believes would crowd the sidewalk areas. There would need to be trenches across the roadway to connect to the controller panel. The cost is \$46,178. This would be funded by street and Highway money. If they would like to go ahead with it, just let her know with a motion and a vote. In Trecia's opinion it is a lot of money from the street fund right now. Commissioner Taylor asked about grants for streets. Trecia explained that we are unable to get street grants because of our LMI. He asked if we applied for these grants several times because that is what he had read it could take multiple applications to get these grants. Jessica stated that she and Trecia had met with Ethan Harris over at Clark County Community Development about grants with municipality to get his opinion. He sat down and looked and told us that we didn't have the LMI and he did explain how we could get it and it would take us going door to door to ask people there annual income. This is something we can definitely do and if the Commissioner want this to be done, we can set it in motion. Nevertheless, there is a chance that we would fall higher in the annual income and would not even be able to get the LMI. The number he had given us from the 2010 census that you had to have 51% in the low to moderate income and the last time we were are 47%. President Stucky said that in the Madison Messenger this month that Mount Sterling was awarded a grant for their streets with a 51% LMI he was curious on how they came to get their LMI.
- She has researched govdeals for potential gains for mowers. She only saw a few comparable to our mowers and fewer that went for close to \$3000 in the last few weeks. We can take the chance on govdeals to try to sell

two mowers at the \$3300 each to cover govdeals percentage which is 7.5%. In her opinion, she does not feel that we will get the mowers to sell for the \$6000 offered by JD. We have and do sell things on govdeals, usually to unload old items, not necessarily to provide funding for other things. Being that we would be putting two mowers as opposed to just one, that may make it more difficult for both to be sold for a good price. Rear discharge mowers are a bit of a specialty item that may not be desirable to the public. If we put them on govdeals, regardless if they sell or not we could be pushing back the timeframe to order the new ones. It will take at least three weeks to take possession of new ones from time of purchase. If we start the mowing season with the current mowers, we will add hours, wear and tear which affects the trade in value. There is the potential of having a delay between selling ours and getting new ones if so we would not have anything to mow with. Trecia does have an ordinance ready if the commission wants to put them on govdeals or we can go ahead with the deal from John Deere. Commissioner Taylor asked what the main reason we needed to buy new mowers. Trecia said it was the wear and tear of the mowers and they are at a good point for trade in. The parts are starting to cost any were from \$70-\$200 every time we do something with them, the items being replaced are clutches, wiring harness and other miscellaneous items. Commissioner Taylor said that it is just a part of the maintenance of mowers. He asked how often the maintenance is done on the mowers currently and Trecia said that it is done every 50 hours. Commissioner Taylor concern is that we are in need of other new items. We are in desperate need of new trucks and he feels that should be a priority over the mowers. The new truck and the mowers were put in the budget for purchase this year but if the commission feels that the mowers should wait Trecia is willing to do that. Commissioner Taylor said that with the govdeals in the last couple of years there has been two instances where individuals were able to go and purchase them from the dealership. He thinks that it should be available to everyone and that everything we sell should go on govdeals. Vice President Durfey suggested getting one mower over the two and Trecia said if she got just one the cemetery would be mowed differently by two mowers and you would see a difference. President Stucky said he did not think we should use govdeals because why get less money on govdeals versus a trade. He asked what the cost of the big mower is to replace. The big mower has 700 or 800 hours and she has not priced it out yet. President Stucky also discussed that we should stagger the mower so we are not replacing them all at the same time. She wants to stay with the same brand of mower so they mow similar. Commissioner Taylor does not agree to buy mowers because he does not feel it is a necessity at this time. President Stucky said that he understands that the different mowers cut differently and he said that he is not sure that people would

look that closely to see the difference. Trecia said that yes they do. He said one might not noticed a difference if you used one in the front and one in the back. With the cost of purchasing a mower there is no negotiating the price because they are set for state purchasing price. The commission then discuss having a backup mower for parts or just in case, one is not working. Commissioner Taylor would like to see us get another year out of them and President Stucky agrees. Trecia said she thinks that cemetery mowers get more abuse because you are constant turning around stones versus the straight up and down lines. Vice President Durfey said he would like to see us get one mower this year and one next year. President Stucky asked what was the price point in which the Commission has to decide on a purchase Trecia said it \$50,000. The Commission does appreciate that Trecia came to them and got their opinion. However, this is untimely her decision. She is going to go ahead and get the two grasshopper mowers for the cemetery because they seem to do much better. Commissioner Taylor was just concerned that we have other needs in the trucks and with the hydraulic breakdown while plowing that concerns him. The John Deere is under a service contract but the backhoe is not under a service contract because it was bought used.

- President Stucky motioned to approve Ordinance 2018-1 to allow the mowers to be put on govdeals and with a second from Commissioner Taylor and with a vote of 2/1 the motion passes. Vice President Durfey and Commissioner Taylor voted yes and President Stucky voted no.

VI. Clerk's Report

- None

VII. Chief's Report

- Gave calls of service report
- The correction on the Easter egg hunt will be this Saturday March 24 at 10AM. The Easter bunny will be there.
- Chief is planning to participate in National Night Out again this year. It is the first Tuesday in August and he had a meeting last week to get the planning started. He will be requesting a change of date for the Commission Meeting later this year.
- State Tornado Drill will be held tomorrow at 9:50 so when the sirens go off you know that it is just a drill. This has been put on the Facebook page as well to let people know.

- The first set of nuisance letters are getting ready to be sent out to residents.

VIII. Solicitor's Report

-None

IX. New Business

- Vice President Durfey wanted to know about when we are going to vote on the cost increase of the Cemetery. President Stucky said it was supposed to be tonight but we have tabled it until Jessica is available to be here to discuss it. He also wanted to put a sign up on 42 that states that the tracks are rough. The tracks were being worked on last week but Chief will speak with the railroad. Vice President Durfey asked if the gas company is going to tear up a bunch of streets and Trecia said that yes they will be in town to repair some lines. When Trecia spoke with them, she also let them know about a few places that their patches have fallen apart. All of the gas companies are working together to get the repairs done. They have been in contact with Trecia about what their plans are

X. Old Business

- Commissioner Taylor want to do a reminder about the patchwork done on Mound Street, there is a kid crossing sign that is bent, and there is speed limit sign that needs to go up. At the school, the No Parking signs are completely white and the signs on Church Street are weathered. The sign company is Kleem and we do not a contract through them. Trecia does not look around because of past pricing that was done Kleem has always come in very reasonable.
- President Stucky on the walk/don't walk signs. He would like to see a visual of the signs. He wanted to know if we had to do all four corners. The estimate is only for the intersection of 41/42. Commissioner Taylor asked if we contacted anyone but Capital Electric and Trecia said no we did not because we are contracted thru them and anything that has to do with the traffic lights goes through them. Vice President Durfey said that 70 years ago there were traffic peoples to help kids cross. Trecia is going to check into the Safety grants to help with the cost of the signs. She does not believe that the safety grants are tied into the LMI as much as the street grants. The money is not budgeted for and the cost would be about 75% the street budget. The balance of the street levy has risen to almost \$12,000.

XI. Public Comments

- None

XII. Executive Session

- None

XIII. Motion to Adjourn

President Stucky motioned to adjourn the meeting and with a second from Vice President Durfey and a vote of 3/0, the meeting adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned 6:34 pm

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Jessica N Hiser/Clerk

Samuel D Stucky/President

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE MINUTES AS TAKEN FROM THE FILES OF THE CLERK FOR THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHARLESTON COMMISSION.