

Village of South Charleston

Commission Meeting

May 1, 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: Leonard Kadel, Elizabeth Peterson, Dave Bauer and Et Damron

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 Vice President Durfey and with a vote of 3/0, the motion passes.

III. Discussion of the Bills

- Vice President Durfey asked about the Edwards Masonry bill. Trecia explained that is for the glass block windows down at the bike path. Last year at the end of the season the windows were broken so they boarded them up and we replaced them with glass block. Next year she hopes to glass, block the other two. He also wanted to know about the W.A. Stevens bill that was for the patch job on 42 and we did three different patches.
- Commissioner Taylor asked if we saved the old sashes from the windows down at the bike path and Trecia said that yes we did. They are also planning to replace the other windows next year. He also asked about the Cardmember services there was a window and seat covers. Jessica said it was the new security window for Brian's office and then seat covers for the two cruisers so save the seats from being torn up.

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

IV. Action Items

- None

V. Village Manager Report

- The large mower would not start the other day so she and the guys worked on trouble shooting the mower and then she took it down for repairs to JD Equipment and they gave her a loaner until the other one is repaired.
- The cemetery received its first cut so now they will begin to cut it every week.
- They will also start working on graves and foundations.
- We have received more cold patch and are putting it out and filling holes as they open up.
- The Bikepath is open for the season and the backflows are complete.
- The large patch on 42 is done along with two smaller ones.
 - o Vice President Durfey told Trecia there is a pothole on the east end of Jamestown Street and walnut that needs filled. He also asked if the part-time employee has been hired yet and she said not yet she is still interviewing people for the position

VI. Clerk's Report

- There was another deposit into the street fund and it was a little over \$11,000. She will get the commissioners a report of the balance.
- She is working on the budget currently.
- Spoke with the State Auditors office and they are getting the bids together for our audit. She submitted one audit company from Springfield for the audit and she will have a conference call about the picks coming up.
 - o President Stucky asked if we had a say in who did the audit and Jessica said yes but no. The Auditors will pick them but she can request a company

VII. Chief's Report

- Prom was this past weekend at the champion center
- He spoke with Chris Crawley about a donation box down at the bike path and he is going to look for some and get one down there. Then we can use the donations for flowers and trees.

- There have been two sets of nescience letters sent out and the third round is about to go out and he would like the commissioners to let him know if they know about any properties.
- Larry Shaffer from the health department has been up to the upper plat behind the high school looking at different properties.
- There is a 5K this Saturday hosted by SOS thru town so it might be a little hectic
- Also they are having some complaints about parking during the large track meets at Miami View. They are parking along Clifton, Murray, Liberty and even as far at West Columbus. These cars are parking in the right of way but they are in yards and causing ruts. President Stucky asked if they are parking illegally and they said no not really but understand why people are upset. We can work with the School to let the residents know about the larger meets when they are scheduled.

VIII. New Business

- None

IX. Public Comments

- Et Damron is here from the Purple Heart community and they would like to make the Village of South Charleston a Purple Heart Community it will take some time and paperwork but there would not be any cost to the Village at all. Ohio is number one in the country for Purple Heart community. They will send us the proclamation that we will need to make our own and then we will need to motion and vote on it in our commission meeting. They will then take the proclamation to the state and from the state; it will go to D.C... Once we are approved, there will be ceremony with a plaque and a twenty-one gun salute. If we could get the county to join into the Purple Heart community and we could do a large ceremony. They will include the news and newspaper to bring light to their group. The state will also put up a sign at the edge of the Village limits to let everyone know it is a Purple Heart community. The group is funding by donations and they do not charge a membership fee to be in because they have sacrificed enough to serve for our country. President Stucky thinks that it is a great idea.
- Leonard Kadel- "Happy to be here"
- Elizabeth Peterson is here from the Community Health Assessment. She is here to let us know about the upcoming meets they are holding. They want to have someone from our community come and represent the

needs we find important for our community. They are looking for input on how best to spend their resources. President Stucky asked how that works because he thought that the grants were very specific for how they can be used and or what. Yes, they are but they write multiple grants to cover various projects. President Stucky also stated that even if we go they might not help with the need we need addressed. Elizabeth added that he is correct but without our opinion, they cannot use our opinion. Commissioner Taylor asked for the statistic of the 2015 report and she said she did not have those numbers on her but there has not been in an improvement. She did say that with the figures they found in 2015 they did start six different task forces to help with the issues they found. Nevertheless, this will not be an overnight fix. Commissioner Taylor asked that would these grant be able to help with street repairs she said yes because that can be traced back to mental health. Therefore, they would like our wish list of things that need to be improved in our community and if we would like to we could host our own meeting with the community and they would come out and facilitate the meeting. Elizabeth said she would come back in the fall and give us a report.

X. Old Business

- Commissioner Taylor asked if Trecia was able to contact ODOT about the guardrail and she said that yes, she tried to contact Justin Yo but he is out of the office for the first two weeks of May. She left a message from someone else but had not heard back. He also ask if we had to ask the state when we did the culver work and Trecia said no because it was the ditch. He asked if we had to have permission for a guardrail and Trecia said yes we did need to have their permission because its next to the roadway and they own up to the stop sign on Sprague road.
- Commissioner Taylor wanted to bring up the cemetery again he wanted to make clear that he is for something being done but the problem that he has is the fact that we have a low fund and it tends to be low but we will spend money out of that fund to buy new mowers. It would have been nice to have so extra money in that fund before the new mowers were purchased he did not think it was necessary. His point with money being taken out of the general fund we take out of the general fund for things like the police cruiser and that sort of thing. In addition, we have not taken money out for the cemetery fund but it seems like the thought of that was taboo. Jessica had stated that no money has been taken out

of the fund to support the cemetery as of today. His thoughts on increasing the prices he wants to see what the budget looks like before he makes a decision. The budget will be presented the end of the month but Jessica would be willing to look over the budget and show the Commissioners how it is done. Just let her know what day they would like to do it. President Stucky said he is not a big fan of taking from another fund to add to another one if there are ways a fund can support its self. His thought on wrapping the car is that there was no other fund to take that out of other than the general fund. He does not want to rob another fund unless it is a dire emergency. Commissioner Taylor asked why we purchased mowers out a fund the does run low regularly and Trecia said that the mowers were budgeted for this year for purchase because they were older. Commissioner Taylor would like us to look at the funds and be a little bit more disciplined in the spending. Trecia explained that is what we discuss in the budget, we need new brochures, we began to look at the pricing, and that is when we decided to bring it to the commission about increasing the cost. We had spoken with several place including Jim Dempsey about our cost. Jessica said that she presented the increase in the wrong way and she is sorry she should have presented it for just an update not budget issues.

- Commissioner Taylor wanted to know if Trecia had done anything about the holes down on Sprague road by the stop sign. He thought that they should be burmed and patched. Trecia said she is going to call W. A. Stevens and have them price a patch for there and a couple other spots. Commissioner Taylor said that people are having to hit them when a semi turns onto the road
- President Stucky asked if the pool was opening this year and Jessica said that yes, it was to open May 27th and she knew because they dropped off applications here and at the library. She also reminded them that they needed to ask for water.

XI. Executive Session

- President Stucky motioned to enter executive session for the discussion of property and with a second from Vice President Durfey and a vote of 3/0, we enter executive session.

XII. Motion to Adjourn

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

Meeting Adjourned 6:16 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.