

Village of South Charleston

Commission Meeting

September 4, 2018

5:00 P.M.

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

Guest: None

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

I. Roll Call

II. Addition or Corrections to the Minutes

- President Stucky would like to congratulate Vice President Taylor on his promotion and Commissioner Durfey for his service as Vice President
- President Stucky motioned to approve the minutes and with a second from Commissioner Durfey, and with a vote of 3/0, the motion passes

III. Discussion of the Bills

- Commissioner Durfey asked about the John Deere bill and that is for the tractor payment
- President Stucky motioned to approve the bills and with a second from Vice President Taylor, and with a vote of 3/0 the motion passes.

IV. Action Items

- Resolution 2018-5
 - o RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
 - o This is the approval for the budget from the county, they need to approve it, and it will go back to the county.

- President Stucky motioned to approve the Resolution and with a second from Vice President Taylor and with a vote of 3/0, the motion passes.
- Ordinance 2018-3
 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$62,904 OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING PART OF THE COST OF ACQUIRING A DUMP TRUCK WITH SNOW PLOW AND RELATED EQUIPMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
 - This is the bond for the loan for the dump truck
 - President Stucky motioned to approve the Ordinance and with a second from Commissioner Durfey and with a vote of 3/0, the motion passes.

V. Village Manager Report

- They have started trimming trees and the alleyways
- They have finished up a few street with new signs, in the spring they will work on another set of streets
- Regarding the chip and seal work being done on Clifton road. Trecia has spoken to Mike Garringer, and the cost is \$10,236.15 for our share as opposed to the \$8,000 that was first quoted. The contract with the township states a 50/50 split not just our portion and their portion. Mike reminded her that the township does the mowing and snow plowing for that stretch of road. She asked that these projects be planned ahead of time so the Village can budget for them. She suggested that the Village and the Township have an annual meeting to discuss such ventures so no one is blind-sided with costs.
- In addition, to go all the way up to 42 with this project would be an additional cost of \$13,409.75. This road was not on the top of the list of road work, but if they were to give them the go ahead it would save on mobilization, other costs and it would be done and out of the way. However, it would take up a chunk of the fund and we would have to wait for the fund to rebuild before starting other street projects. She would like the Commissioners thoughts on whether to pass or go ahead and extend the project to 42.
- She spoke with Mike at Kleem for information on the flashing crossing sign. They do have the flashing, solar powered signs. We would need to the installation ourselves and we can do a two button unit that flashes on two sides of the street depending on which way you want to cross. On the other hand, they have one-button units that flashes all the way around when pressed. The estimate cost would be \$12,000 to \$15,000

total for the intersection. She does have a concern that the flashing signs could give a false security to the pedestrians mostly children. These signs are to warn vehicular traffic only and is not a clear to cross for pedestrians like the standard crosswalk sign would be.

- Vice President Taylor as well as President Stucky both agree that we should pass on the Clifton Road Project. They would prefer that we work on the school zone roads first before any other roads are completed. Vice President Taylor would also like to next year speak with the County about the roads and see what kind of pricing they have and maybe they would be able to save some money with them. Vice President Taylor did state that when you look at the chip and seal job with the county he thought that it was much nicer than Hensley's. The county did Jamestown Road and Selma Road. President Stucky asked Trecia the distance for the chip sealing on Clifton and she did not have the exact figures but she had it broken down to the hydrant to the RR tracks and it was \$6662 and then the remaining is the RR to the stop sign. They would like to have the strip patching done down Clifton Road in some of the bad spots like the RR and the Stop sign. Commissioner Durfey asked what the patching would be and Trecia explained that it would be to cut out the bad section and then put down an emulsion and chip over the section. This is used where the roads are starting to alligator crack. It will have the appearance of a asphalt patch the cost would be about \$2600. President Stucky did want to state that he was down Jamestown Street and he still felt that the street was rough.
- They also agree that the flashing signs do give a false sense of security, but Vice President Taylor stated that the research studies do not have the walk/don't walk signs increasing the safety of the pedestrians. President Stucky would rather see the walk/don't walk signs over the flashers. Commissioner Durfey thinks that they do not need either of the signs but what we need is volunteers for helping the kids cross the streets safely. Commissioner Durfey would like the Village to ask in the next newsletter for any volunteers to sign up and help with the crosswalks. Both of the Commissioners agree with this but the problem is getting people to volunteer. They have tried before but we will look into it. Chief was concerned about if the school would require the volunteers to have backgrounds. Trecia said that we could definitely put something in the newsletter. Vice President Taylor also recommended speaking with the school board about getting them to help.

- President Stucky also wanted to know if Trecia was able to get the children at play signs for the Presbyterian Church parking lot, we should just need some little signs.

VI. Clerk's Report

- The ramp is finished and she is very happy with how it looks
- She also put an estimate for the floors in the packets. Jessica would like to thank Chief for helping with getting the estimate. Chief said that the only thing he said was he would probably have to take some screws out of the loose boards and nails driven in and plugged. They are out until November but they would get it done.

VII. Chief's Report

- We have sent out more notices letters about the grass. There are several that will be cited the next time they violate.
- School is back in session and they are working all of the crossing guard's morning and afternoon. They have also been working them since school has been dismissing early do to heat and the lights are not running at those times.

VIII. New Business

- Vice President Taylor would like to set the Facebook page to allow for no comments and just information only. That way if people do have any questions about the information provided then they can contact the commissioners, clerk or attend a commission meeting. President Stucky agrees because many people put up false information and then others are much braver on social media and give a tongue-lashing. Jessica said that she will look into it and that she does agree with them but she does think it is a great way to get information out quickly.
- President Stucky asked Trecia that if any of the elderly resident have chipping that needs to be done but are unable to drag there piles to the street will the Village be willing to help them out. Trecia said yes as long as the piles are easily accessible. We do have a few residents who do call and ask for some assistance. If they are in need of this service, the best way to set it up is to call the clerk's office. They would need to call in October to set it up.

IX. Old Business

- Do we know where they are planning to put the new recycle bins? Trecia said that they were in communication with Yamada about putting it down on their property.
- Vice President Taylor asked about the landscaping at Sunrise. President Stucky had asked them to landscape over on 41 to help make it look pretty and to also cut down on the dust and add a screen. He wanted to state that they went beyond for the Village and it looks nice. Vice President Taylor asked if we had ever spoken to Sunrise about the road repairs to High Street. He said that the road is a gravel road and most of that is due to Sunrise traffic with the semis. Shoemakers semis also use High Street but it would never hurt to ask. Since the last time that High Street was discussed the ownership has changed to Sunrise.
- President Stucky asked if we had sent the letters to Field and Charters and yes, we did. They have thirty days to make changes to the buildings and if not then we will contact Tom Hale. He also wanted to know if we have discussed 28 Walnut with Tom Hale and yes we have but the owner is flying under the radar with doing the minimum things he needs to keep it up to code. Trecia did want to remind the Commission that if Tom Hale come in and declares the house condemned then we will have to go ahead and move to get it torn down. We can contact the owner again and try to put some pressure on him to fix the house up. They did see the picture of the raccoon in the window and they would like to send the owner a letter. Chief said that sending him a letter would not do any good because he does not pick up his mail.
- President Stucky said that the Purple Heart Ceremony would be Saturday September 22 at noon down at the depot. They will be bringing an honor guard with them.
- The Community Club will be meeting in September.

X. Public Comments

- None

XI. Executive Session

- President Stucky motioned to enter into executive session for Real Estate and with a second from Commissioner 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 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.