

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## Minutes of the Regular Meeting

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Held: Tuesday, March 3, 2020

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The regular meeting of the South Point Village Council was called to order at 7:00PM by Mayor Jeff Gaskin with the pledge of allegiance. Village Chaplin, Jerry Boggs led in prayer.

Members Present -	Brad Adkins	Mary Cogan
	Marlene Arthur	Mike Lynd
	Chuck Austin	Chris Smith

Village Solicitor, Randy Lambert was present.

Girl Scout troop was present with a cookie display table set up.

Mr. Lynd made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held Feb 4, 2020. Mrs. Cogan seconded. Roll call: Adkins-yes, Arthur-yes, Austin-yes, Cogan-yes, Lynd-yes, Smith-yes

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve payment of the approved invoices. Mr. Adkins seconded. Roll call: Adkins-yes, Arthur-yes, Austin-yes, Cogan-yes, Lynd-yes, Smith-yes

Public: South Point Nazarene Church Pastor Dan Campbell introduced himself and offered the church's assistance if they can help the village in any way.

Mel Yapp thanked village workers for grading and improving Brenda Alley.

Brenda McKee suggested a white vinyl picket fence may be less expensive and a better fit for the White Cottage Cemetery.

Resident inquired if rehab houses were allowed in the village. Mayor said if they were allowed they would be classified as a business and would have to be in a commercial zoned area.

Kevin Wood with IGI Group was present to give an update on village projects they are working on:

- The Low to Moderate Income survey for the water line replacement project for 2nd & 3rd Streets from Ferry to Columbus St. has been completed. The survey showed 64.32% of the households being low to moderate income so the survey was successful. The village can now apply for CDBG county funds to help with the project in that area.
- Kevin said the village will have a much better chance of getting grants and or low or no interest loans if projects that we apply for already have plans prepared and EPA permits to install approved. IBI proposed \$59,850 to prepare plans for the 2nd & 3rd St water line replacement project and \$45,790 to prepare plans for the water line replacements under the new sidewalk project that has been approved. He offered a 10% discount if the village approves both projects with IBI.

Area Census Office Manager Ronnie Tyree introduced himself and his associate as they are heading up the 2020 census for 25 counties in southern Ohio from their office at 1405 Co. Rd. 1, South Point. He said they have hired 50 census workers to date and plan to hire 3,000 more census takers at \$18. per hour to complete the job. Census questionnaires will be mailed out in March and residents can respond by mail, phone or for the first time, online. If responses aren't received by the end of April, then census takers will begin going door to door to get an accurate count. He requested the village's help in trying to get the word out how important the census is as federal money is distributed according to the population of an area.

Mr. Adkins made a motion to approve amending Ordinance 20-02 An Ordinance Concerning Keeping, Harboring, Confining and Restraining Dogs. Mr. Smith seconded. Roll call: Adkins-yes, Arthur-yes, Austin-yes, Cogan-yes, Lynd-yes, Smith-yes

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Mr. Austin made a motion to approve the following transfer of funds for the month of March:

<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
General Fund	2904 Police Dept. Fund	27,230.00
Sewer Fund	5721 Solida Sewer Bond (2017 LCNI)	4,517.00
Sewer Fund	5701 Sewer Improvements Bond (OPWC-2009)	3,380.00
Sewer Fund	5761 Sewer Reserve	4,500.00
Sewer Fund	5723 WWTP Clarifiers Rehab Loan (OWDA-2018)	4,349.00
Water Fund	5725 Water Improvements Bond (OPWC-2005)	480.00
Water Fund	5722 Water Tanks Rehab Bond (2016 LCNI)	3,597.00
Water Fund	5762 Water Reserve	1,667.00
Street Fund	3101 Street Repaving Bond (2015 LCNI)	1,020.00
Vehicle Permissive Tax	3101 Street Repaving Bond (2015 LCNI)	3,750.00
General Fund	3102 Fire Truck Bond (2020 PNC)	5,000.00
Fire Dept. Fund	3102 Fire Truck Bond (2020 PNC)	2,500.00
Sanitation Fund	5201 Sewer Fund (reimburse salary)	125.00
Sewer Fund	2903 Village Retirement Fund (ORC 5705.13(B), Ord 12-08)	9,576.00
Water Fund	2903 Village Retirement Fund (ORC 5705.13(B), Ord 12-08)	4,872.00
Street Fund	2903 Village Retirement Fund (ORC 5705.13(B), Ord 12-08)	2,352.00

Mrs. Arthur seconded. Roll call: yes by all.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the Clerk/Treasurer's Financial Report, Revenue/Expenditure Account Status Report, and the Bank Reconciliation ending Feb. 29, 2020. Mr. Lynd seconded. Roll call: yes by all.

Fire Dept. Report – Chief Mark Goodall reported the new rescue fire truck will be ready for pick up on March 19th. He said the fire dept. is applying for the following grants:

- \$15,000 Fire Marshall grant for new fire hose
- \$15,000 EMS grant for new first responder equipment
- \$15,000 BWC grant for new turnout gear washer, 10 pair gloves, 10 hoods
- FEMA Regional Assistance to Firefighters grant for 14 sets of SCBA gear, grant prepared by Grant Source Professionals LLC for \$375 plus an 8% fee of the value of the award up to a maximum of \$2,200

Village Administrator, Russ McDonald reported the water usage for Feb. was 17 million gallons and processed 29 million gallons of wastewater. He said they are working on making sure the storm drains and lines are clear and installing some new storm drain lines. We have applied for a \$50k safety grant with the Bureau of Workers Compensation to acquire a mini hydro-excavator to repair or install water taps instead of digging with the mini-hoe. Also trying to acquire new aluminum shoring that is easier to move while doing ditch work on water and sewer lines. The BWC performed a safety inspection at the sewer plant and we only had a few minor suggestions for improvements. Russ said he is doing a lot of safety training with the employees. He complimented our utility clerks Marsha Whaley and Mandy Wise for the excellent job they are doing in collections on delinquent water and sewer accounts.

Police Dept. Report – Chief Chris Majher reported the following:

- 4 new Ford cruisers won't be delivered until sometime in April
- Record breaking mayors court collections the past 2 months
- Over 300 calls for service since 1st of the year
- Impound lot full, planning an auction Saturday, March 14th
- Signed an agreement with NexTech Services to upgrade the computer equipment at the police station for \$6,905. The money will come from the Mayors Court Computer Fund
- Requested Mayor and Council to consider holding 2 Mayor's Courts per month
- Department has written 130 citations in 6 weeks for speed and stop signs

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Other items discussed:

- Mayor stated his policy on the police department patrolling on US 52. He said he allows each officer to make one round within the village limits on US 52 per shift. He doesn't want an officer in a stationary position running radar but if they spot a violation, they may make a traffic stop and issue a citation. Or stop to help a stranded motorist or go on a backup call for assistance. After discussing the matter, Mayor asked if anyone requests he change his policy on US 52. No one requested a change.
- Mrs. Cogan said she received a concern from a resident about the deep storm drain on the corner of Solida Rd. and Leona St. Mr. McDonald said he will install reflective markers on the drain until a permanent raised basin can be installed.

After completing all items on the agenda, Mayor Gaskin dismissed the meeting at 8:50 PM

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Scott Thomas, Clerk

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Jeff Gaskin, Mayor