

CITY OF GOSHEN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
March 19, 2018

The meeting of the City of Goshen Commission was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Bobby Thacker at the North Oldham Fire Department, Goshen Station, 1660 South Highway 1793, with the following members present:

Bobby Thacker	Mayor	1014 Rollingwood Lane
Bill Rolfes	Commissioner	1042 Rollingwood Lane
Doug Morales	Commissioner	1014 Club Drive
Bob Hammon	Commissioner	1007 Rollingwood Lane

Commissioner Nesteruk was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

Commissioner Morales motioned to approve the February 26, 2018 meeting minutes, Commissioner Rolfes seconded the motion. All voted aye. Minutes were approved. Morales welcomed Boy Scout Troop 984 to the meeting as they are working on their citizenship badge.

Public Safety – Bobby Thacker

Thacker reported patrols will be increased during spring break.

Budget and Finance – Bob Hammon

Hammon stated a tentative date of April 23rd has been selected for the annual budget meeting. The meeting will be held at Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve field house. The fire department's calendar scheduling program is not working so the city is unable to reserve a meeting room at this time. Thacker stated the budget meeting will be at 7PM on April 23, 2018 in the fieldhouse at Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve.

Hammon motioned to approve the February 2018 financials. Morales seconded the motion, all voted aye to approve the February financials.

Drainage – Bob Hammon

Thacker advised Hammon if any significant drainage issues come up he may be able to consult with the Oldham County Engineer.

Ordinance Enforcement – Bill Rolfes

Rolfes stated he is working on a letter and application to be sent to rental property owners regarding the recently passed license fee ordinance. Rolfes stated the city has received complaints regarding a commercial truck and the condition of the property at 1008 Harmony Landing Road. Rolfes stated he is unaware of anything in the current ordinances that would address the commercial truck but a notice will be sent regarding the condition of property issues. Rolfes reported notices have also been sent regarding gravel in a driveway, yard parking and satellite dishes in front yards.

Thacker reported Commissioner Nesteruk has had the website updated to include all city ordinances.

Playground – Bill Rolfes

Rolfes reported mulch was added to the playground today. Rolfes stated the city has received payment for the damages to the gazebo. Repairs will be scheduled tomorrow. Rolfes stated the lack of having a maintenance man is causing some issues such as overflowing trash cans at the playground. Rolfes stated the prior maintenance man emptied the trash out of the goodness of his heart but the city needs a new maintenance person soon.

Beautification – Bill Rolfes

Rolfes stated the banners have been changed and planting at the entrances is scheduled for May.

Newsletter –

Thacker stated he noticed a newsletter has not been done since June 2017. Rolfes stated he has been looking into the possibility of selling advertisements in the newsletter.

Website –

No report.

Architectural Control – Doug Morales

No report.

Street and Public Works – Doug Morales

Morales stated it has been brought to his attention a mailbox on Rollingwood needs repair.

Sanitation – Bobby Thacker

Thacker stated the clerk received a few minor complaints and the issues have been resolved.

Administrative Issues – Bobby Thacker

Thacker asked the clerk if she had received any suggestions from the commission on an ordinance that would spell out the duties of commissioners. The clerk stated she had not received any suggestions. Thacker asked the commission if they wanted to drop the issue or move forward. Hammon stated he thinks they should keep working on it.

Old Business

None

New Business

Thacker stated the clerk has been working with the city attorney on establishing a franchise fee on cable television companies. Thacker stated he wants to make sure this fee will not be an additional fee passed on to residents. The clerk passed out the bid for advertisements for franchise fees to the commission. The commission agreed as long as this fee doesn't add any new fees to residents they would like to move forward with a franchise agreement.

Thacker reported things have been adding up pretty quickly without a maintenance man. Thacker asked the clerk what the previous maintenance contractor was being paid and she stated \$21 per hour. Thacker stated the city has received bids from three companies ranging from \$30 to \$45 per hour. One resident has also expressed interest in the position. Morales stated he has been thinking about the possibility of combining maintenance, mowing and snow removal into one category and going out to bid. Hammon stated having overseen snow removal in the past he doesn't think a blanket bid will work because some years it has been as much as \$60,000 and sometimes less

than \$10,000. Hammon said he just doesn't see how a blanket bid would work out. Rolfes stated he does like the idea of combining the three items and advertising for bids. Rolfes stated he does think the city needs a maintenance man now and should look at advertising for bids after the budget meeting.

Thacker stated he doesn't believe it would be cost effective to combine the three items together because you wouldn't pay the same price for snow removal as you would for basic maintenance or mowing. Thacker agreed the city needs a maintenance person now but strongly objects to paying \$30 to \$45 per hour. Thacker stated the city was paying \$21 per hour and he believes that's a fair price.

Doug Richardson, 1009 Rollingwood Lane, stated he is interested in the position and has already pursued getting liability and worker's comp insurance.

Thacker motioned to hire Doug Richardson at a rate of \$22 per hour to perform basic maintenance. Hammon seconded the motion. Rolfes, Thacker and Hammon voted aye. Morales voted nay.

Public Comment

None

Morales motioned to adjourn, Rolfes seconded the motion. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joyce Morphew
Clerk/ Treasurer
4/16/2018

Bobby Thacker
Mayor