

**CITY OF SMITHVILLE**  
**SPECIAL CALLED COUNCIL MEETING AND WORKSHOP MINUTES**  
**FEBRUARY 23, 2022**

Present: Mayor Morgan, Councilmembers, Bill Gordon, Janice Bruno, Sharon Foerster, Tom Etheredge, Stan Gerdes, and City Manager Robert Tamble.

**Open Meeting:** Call to order: Mayor Morgan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Citizen Comments: None

Discussion and Action on Awarding the Construction Contract for the NW 2nd Street Drainage Project (CDBG-DR Contract No. 20-065-139-C527). Tim Sanders with BEFCO Engineering said they would recommend awarding the Construction Contract to WJC Constructors. Tim said that WJC Constructors came in with the lowest bid at \$561,589.00. Councilman Etheredge made a motion to award the Construction Contract to WJC Constructors. Councilman Gordon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments: None

Discussion and Action on American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) fund allocation for the second round. There was discussion on whether or not the City wanted to use ARPA funds for a July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks display. The money would come from the Council Chambers AV system set aside because there is a delay in getting the AV system supplies. Councilman Etheredge wants the City to fund this community event to give some relief to the local businesses that usually donate to these events. Councilwoman Foerster was opposed because she thinks it would require the city to fund other organizations. Councilwoman Bruno agreed the city should have a July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration. In her hometown of Michigan, they always had a big Celebration. Councilman Etheredge made a motion to reallocate AV improvement money to the July 4<sup>th</sup> Event due to the parts not being available at this time and won't be available for several months. Councilwoman Bruno seconded and the vote was:

For: Etheredge, Bruno, Gerdes, Gordon

Opposed: Foerster

**Workshop:**

Citizen Comments: Joel Kirkby signed up to speak and said to please consider lowering the dbA to 65 instead of 75. John Gilkinson signed up to speak and started out saying thank you for taking a reasonable approach it is equal and fair. Mr. Vickery couldn't make the meeting due to illness but wanted it to be noted that he would like to see the dbA at 65 instead of 75. Carrie Keith (Rio Social House) couldn't make the meeting but wanted it noted she would like the weekend hours extended to Sunday.

Discussion on Sound Ordinance/Permit (re. Chapter 8 Offenses and Nuisances, Article 8.04 Nuisances, Division 2. Noise. It was suggested that the city do a sound test at the Gazebo on Main. Chief Repka will organize this and let everyone know when this will happen. No formal action was taken on the Sound ordinance.

Citizen Comments: None

Discussion on a Short-Term Rental Ordinance. Mayor Morgan gave a presentation on a proposal for managing Short-Term rentals in Smithville. It was recommended the city organize a group of stakeholders to get input on how this ordinance should work. The city will hold more workshops in the future on this topic. No formal action was taken.

*Adjourn:* The meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

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Joanna Morgan, Mayor

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Jennifer Lynch, City Secretary