

**VILLAGE OF SOUTH LEBANON  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 21, 2016  
6:30 P.M.**

1. Mayor Smith opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge.
2. Randall Atkins – Present                      Bill Madison - Present  
Jim Boerio – Present                      Steve Riley – Present  
Sue Johnson – Present                      George Teasdale - Present
3. Mayor Smith stated a former Police Chief Stanley Rice passed away and  
and he asked for a moment of silence.
4. Mayor Smith opened the floor to the public:  
  
Matt Vanschoyck – 5222 Homestead Drive – asked for an update on his  
request to the council regarding the formal vacation of Cochran Road. He  
reviewed all his previous concerns.  
  
Renate Jackson – Ilene Ave. – she said she has a problem with dogs. She  
said when she moved here 47 years ago there was an ordinance that people  
had to clean up their dog poo. Mayor Smith said we are looking at drafting  
an ordinance to cover that.  
  
Floor closed to the public.
5. Mayor Smith stated he and Jerry met with Fischer Homes last week and they  
are coming back to us with a proposal in two weeks. He said they have  
looked at the situation and hopefully we can get them to move on the issue.  
He said the urgency is for Wynstead, it would be cut off and we explained  
it would be to their advantage. He said council took no action and in the  
planning minutes it looks like they recommended not to vacate the road  
until the projects were done. He said we are going to push as hard as we  
can to get this complete. Matt asked for a copy of the minutes and was told  
Jerry will get him a copy. Mayor Smith said they have only been in office  
twenty some days and we are working on this.
6. Mayor Smith presented the following minutes for approval:  
  
Regular Meeting – December 3, 2015 – A motion to approve made by  
Boerio, seconded by Atkins. Madison and Teasdale abstained as they were  
not part of the meeting, all others yea.

Workshop – December 3, 2015 – A motion to approve made by Boerio, seconded by Atkins, Madison and Teasdale abstained as they were not part of the meeting, all others yea.

Regular Meeting – December 17, 2015 – A motion to approve made by Boerio, seconded by Atkins, Madison and Teasdale abstained as they were not part of the meeting, all others yea.

7. Mayor Smith presented Ordinance 2016-01 adopting the Ohio Basic Code. Paul Revelson stated the village adopts this code every year. Atkins asked about the first Whereas and it was explained that American Legal sends this ordinance and we use it for adoption. A motion to suspend the reading rule was made by Madison, seconded by Boerio, all yeas. A motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-01 was made by Madison, seconded by Boerio, all yeas.
8. Mayor Smith said in four years the employees have only received a 1% raise. He said it amounted to seventeen cents to twenty four cents. Mayor Smith said he and Jerry are recommending a 3% raise across the board for employees and this will serve as the first reading. He asked for a vote of support from council if they are going to support it because if not he will not go forward with it. A motion to support was made by Madison, seconded by Teasdale, all yeas.
9. Mayor Smith presented invoices for authorization. Riley asked about the boiler repair and when the church will take over. Jerry said Kevin will come to a workshop and go over the agreement with council because there are some exceptions to the agreement. A motion to pay the invoices was made by Boerio, seconded by Madison, Riley – nay, all others yea.
10. Mayor Smith stated Gary Norman has offered his expertise on the school remodel. He said he is an architect. He was a teacher and taught drafting.
11. Mayor Smith said we had a break in a sewer connector on Mary Lane Circle and they are the first of the sewer and have clay tile. He said the resident had a camera ran to determine where the break was and they did not get a copy of it so we asked for a second one to determine if it was the villages responsibility. Jerry said if there is a break we require a camera to be run and videoed to prove that it is our responsibility. We are going to post the policy on the web site and send letters to those residents explaining the policy. We are asking that because we required the second camera for a video, that we reimburse Bobby Prows \$236.38 for the second camera cost. A motion to allow the reimbursement was made by Madison, seconded by Atkins, all yeas.

12. Mayor Smith stated he will certainly give his best effort as things come up to try and go forward to fix some of these issues from the streets to whatever. He said we have a lot of streets in town that have traffic and everyone has traffic issues. He said the economy seems to be booming more. He said we slowed down but never really stopped and we need to get these developers to step up and do what they agreed to do. Mayor Smith said he would like to have a new maintenance building and move the salt barn and develop the bike trail. He said he would like in the park to put something dedicated to Glenn Holloway and also Target contributed to that park and need to be recognized. He said the village has actually been stable when other communities were affected by bankruptcies we were not. He said our fiscal officer has worked through many administrations and was able to keep our checkbook balanced and a lot of communities can't say that.
13. Paul Revelson said HSB302 is in committee now. He said his plan is to put something in writing for council to review. He said the general thought is if a certain part of the township gets annexed then that portion is still part of the township and subject to double taxation. He said the house bill is trying to knock out the double taxation. Teasdale said the double taxation started in 2011. Mayor Smith said in November 2011 some residents in the village began being double taxed. He said a letter sent by Hamilton Townships law director to the attorney general received a reply that agreed so the county abided by that decision. Discussed people currently impacted by this and the need to find out if the people currently being double taxed will get relief. Paul said he will look into this further and if this applies to permanent verses renewable. Madison said when he was part of council before, it unanimously passed to hire a law firm to represent these folks, these were some of the concerns and he does not understand why that was stopped. Teasdale asked how we find when the third reading is and Paul said he will check on that.
14. Haddix said Elbert "Speedy" Allen has been hired for the utility clerk position and he will start on Monday. Jerry said he comes from the Warren County Engineer's office and he thinks he will be a good fit.


Jerry reviewed his packet and Dean Evans request to make some of his property on Main Street a nature preserve. He said his concern is the buffering on Main Street. Teasdale asked if this is a tax advantage and Jerry said he does not know. A motion for Jerry to proceed was made by Boerio, seconded by Madison, all yeas.

Haddix said Site Worx will give us an hourly rate to do the berms in the spring. He said the bump was removed on Corwin Nixon/St. Rt. 48.

Jerry said Lebanon overcharged us on the sewer contract and are reimbursing us so the next bill will have about \$8,300 credit. It was caught when they were audited.

15. Sgt. Boylan asked for council to consider a scenario when looking at Winstead. He said on Friday they had someone in Winstead on his porch shooting a .45 and everyone rolled in and we don't like to send anyone on these calls. He said if there is an active shooting they are all running in there and he does not want a one minute, two minute delay in a situation like that. We all hear of officers being ambushed every day. He said it should be an incentive for the developer as well. He said everyone should keep that in mind and thinks that it is worth waiting on the connector.
16. Atkins asked about the personnel manual and asked that council get a clean copy of what was written to review. Jerry will provide those.
17. Mayor Smith welcomed George Teasdale. Teasdale asked Sgt. Boylan about his reports and comparison of years. Sgt. Boylan explained his reports.
18. Madison stated he has something for Paul to review and give some feed back on.
19. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:30 p.m. by Boerio, seconded by Riley, all yeas.

  
Sharon Louallen, Fiscal Officer

  
James D. Smith, Mayor