**Village of South Charleston**

**Commission Meeting**

**February 6, 2024**

**5:00 P.M.**

Members Present: President Stucky, Vice President Sweeney, Commissioner Rogers, Village Manager Trecia Waring, Clerk Jessica Hiser and Chief Brian Redish

Guest: Bridget Miller

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Addition or Corrections to the Minutes**

* None
* President Stucky motion to approve the minutes and with a second from Vice President Sweeney and a vote of 3/0, the motion is approved.

1. **Discussion of the Bills**

* None
* President Stucky motioned to approve the bill list and with a second from Commissioner Rogers and a vote of 3/0, the motion is approved.

1. **Action Items**

* None

1. **Public Comments**

* Bridget Miller is her for her mother Betty Miller. She lives at 39 Chillicothe Street and has for years. She is currently 86 years old and it is getting harder for her to get around. The property does not have off street parking and while she realizes that the street is public parking she does have some concerns. She was excited to see that the property next door was becoming an Airbnb and she feels that is great for our community. With the new business there will also be some hardships with parking because of such the limited space. Her mother can not walk as far has she used to. Mrs. Miller decided that her first action would be to speak with the Airbnb owner about possible not having her renters park and leave one spot open for her mother. When speaking with the owner she was not receptive to any of their concerns and Mrs. Miller said that the owner has not empathy or compassion for the concerns for health and safety of her mother. So she is coming to the Commission to see if they can help her in anyway. President Stucky suggested that the Village look into a handicap placard for the space in front of her property. He does know that it has happened in Springfield on Selma Road for a friend of his parents. Trecia said that we have never allowed anything like that before. The problem with this property is that the corner is all yellow due to the semi traffic. She did recommend using the yellow to load and unload. Mrs. Miller said that her mother is still able to drive so she does need to park the car. President Stucky asked that we contact Springfield and see what their ordinance reads and he thinks that we can handle this on a case by case basis. He said it may be an ordinance that we will need to put into place with stipulations on which properties would be allowed one. He told Mrs. Miller that they will work on a solution that would allow for her to safely park her car and get to her house. It will not be resolved by the meeting on the 20th but we will have more information if she would like to come back at that time. Jessica said if she would like she is more than welcome to call and check in.

1. **Village Manager Report**

* She looked at the Enon Sports Park and they have a lot of amenities but their park is also 65 acres where our park is 1.4. She did start looking at other options for the park with different ideas. The commissioners wanted to know if there will be lighting? Yes, there will be some but it will not be lit for people to be there at night since the park closes at dark. The pavilion will not have a ceiling in it. They do have an option for spikes on the rafters to prevent birds from landing and that is an additional 3K. The Commissioners agree that is a great option. She also needs to know what colors they would like the roof in the stain on the pavilion. They decided to go with National Blue roof and sky grey stain. The County met with Mr. Loveless he is struggling to find a contractor for the project. The county got no commitment for when it will be resolved. She needs to get the streets that the commissioners would like to see estimates on repaving. After some discussion the Commission has decided to see the estimates on various parts of Jamestown Road this year. They broke it down to 4 different estimates to see what we can get with the money. Last year the estimate for bikepath to Sprague was 84K.

1. **Clerk Report**

* She sent out water shut off notices. There were 131 notices sent out this time and that is fairly low. She had also put in their packet’s information on deferred Comp. This is something that we are looking into to offer to the employees as an addition retirement source. The Commission would be able to join as well. They were not interested in joining but they think it would be a great option for the employees. We are currently working on the Handbook update and the Commission will see these changes coming. Jessica is also working on an application for Star Ohio. This would allow a larger return on our interest with money we have set into an account. This is money we already have in an MMA but the interest isn’t that great. The Commissioner think this is a great plan.

1. **Chief’s Report**

* He is also is working on nuisance issues and eye sores. We have not gotten any clean up at 8 N. Church Street and they are going to get a citation. He also gave a ticket to 17 Oak Street about dogs running at large. This was the third time they were running at large. He also wanted the Commission to know that Mike Brooks it currently with his son due to health issues.

1. **New Business**

* President Stucky asked about the concession stand at the splash pad and what we had planned for it. Trecia said that she wasn’t sure yet. They had discussed leaving it for potential use later or going ahead and blocking it up. He asked if it was something that could be rented out to groups to make money. Chief said that would be an option but they would need to have their own health vendor license. He also received a call about tree branches in the trees at William and Jamestown Street. They are concerned that they will fall on their cars. He would also like the scooter in the alley by the Mini Mart picked up it has been sitting there for months. He also asked about the street sweeper and if it was working. Trecia said yes, it is working and will be out at the end of this week when we get some rain. President Stucky doesn’t like all of the trash around town in the gutters. Trecia said that she had Ryan out picking up trash today. He also asked about the bridge decorations. Jessica said that she contacted them about them and they will be getting them taken down. President Stucky asked about the Village or any groups around the Village interested in doing something for the Eclipse. There are other groups around the county doing something. Jessica was able to get 200 eclipse glasses that she will have for residents.

1. **Old Business**

* President Stucky had received a phone call last night about 17 Oak Street in regards to Mrs. Thacker. The residents are not happy about the generator or the 12 dogs. The call also was told by her that she is working on getting the garage fixed up so she can live in there. If she is doing that she would have to have county permits. She also as not turned in her variance application for a trailer yet. President Stucky also asked about the Highmiller chimney that is smashed on the ground. He was hopeful with the crane up there that more was going to happen. He wondered if the county as any concerns since there is no roof in the building. Trecia said that she had sent pictures to the county that shows no roof and they were not concerned. She and Chief met with the fire marshall about the property. She can call them out and the Fire marshall can invite the county to come look at the property. President Stucky agrees that it’s time to push the issue since nothing is happening with the building. He would also like to make a request that the street sweeper go up James Court to pick up the leaves. He also would like to see if we have had any complaints about the newspapers thrown all over town.
* Coffee and Conversation will be held at 8am tomorrow at Village Cup

1. **Executive Session**

- None

1. **Motion to Adjourn**

President Stucky motioned to adjourn the meeting and with a second from Vice President Sweeney and a vote of 3/0, the meeting is adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:14.

ATTEST: APPROVED:

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Jessica N Hiser/Clerk Samuel Stucky/President

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS ATRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE MINUTES AS TAKEN FROM THE FILES OF THE CLERK FOR THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHARLESTON COMMISSION