

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

PEMBERVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

Meeting

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Held

March 21, 2000

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Mayor Oberhouse called the regular meeting of Council to order on Tuesday, March 21st, 2000 at 6:30 p.m. and led those present in the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present for roll call were Vandersall, Panning, Austin, Mazur, Foulke and Sharp. Also attending the meeting was Police Chief, Dan O'Connor; Solicitor, Michael Marsh; Electric Consultant, John Courtney; BPA member, Ken Henline and Wesley Walters from Hercules Stamping.

The minutes from March 10th, 2000 were reviewed. As there were no additions or corrections to the minutes, the minutes stand approved as submitted.

Bills in the amount of \$2,942.49 were presented for approval of payment. Vandersall moved, seconded by Sharp, to approve payment of the bills. The motion carried unanimously.

John Courtney explained a couple key issues to Council. One was the OMEGA JV2 project. AMP-Ohio is distributing 42 generating plants throughout the State to be used for substitute power to ward off high priced power in the summer when usage is high. They are asking members to participate by buying a piece of the project. The cost to the Village would be approximately \$80,000.00 minus compensation of approximately \$12,000.00 for our share of OMEGA JV3. An Ordinance would have to be in effect before June 1st allowing us to join JV2. He also recommended paying cash, if possible, to save substantial interest payment.

Courtney also touched on the deregulation program that will allow electric utility customers to choose their source of power in 2001. A new Ohio Gross Receipts Tax based on kWh usage will be implemented along with this program. The tax to users inside the Village would be retained in the General Fund and tax to users located outside the Village would be paid to the state. He suggested transferring this kWh tax back to the Electric Fund from the General Fund to keep from having to raise electric rates.

When asked about retaining cash flow in the Electric Fund, he said there is no legal requirement but he recommended carrying 40-50% of our annual revenue in cash reserve in case of a disaster.

BPA: Foulke reported the mapping is complete for the water system and will be taken to Feller, Finch & Associates. He will contact Steve Darmofal about what kind of water load we could supply to the Schaffer property on Pemberville Road.

The Utilities Committee has been asked to meet with the Committee interested in putting up a floodwall behind the businesses. Both the Army Corps of Engineers and the Village would have to give approval.

Discussion was held on the proposal for purchasing the Keller property. Their contract is open for acceptance until tonight's meeting. If the Resolution is passed, a \$2,000.00 down payment would have to be made but would be returned if the Village can't get financing satisfying to Council. We would lose the

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\$2,000.00 if Council would decide not to buy the land. Some of the comments were: (1) based on finance, we're not in position to go for it; (2) the BPA feels the price is in the ballpark based on the value of the wells; (3) can't imagine a judge making us give up something we bargained for; (4) can see making us pay for the area that can't be used because of EPA regulations; (5) abandoning a well is more costly than drilling a new one.

Sharp moved to take from table Resolution #632. Seconded by Vandersall, the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #632, Resolution Determining to Acquire the Keller Property, had its third reading. Sharp moved to pass Resolution #632. Seconded by Austin, the motion carried unanimously.

Any objections to liquor permit removal must be postmarked no later than May 3rd.

Council agreed to the purchase of new short sleeved shirts for the Street Superintendent.

MAYOR'S: Received a check in the amount of \$6,000.00 from the Celebrate 2000 Committee.

The Annual Northwest Ohio Tree City USA Awards Program is April 26th in Sylvania.

The owners of Lots 181 and 182 on Pine Street had their property lines straightened up. They were previously at an angle.

The Zoning Board of Appeals will be meeting to discuss a variance for 121 Forrest Avenue.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CHIEF O'CONNOR: The Township will put "Caution" signs up on Alexander Road as soon as they come in.

SHARP: Has been in contact with Ross Metcalf on the Website. He says he needs to register our name at a cost of \$60.00 and there would be a monthly host fee. Dan O'Connor said we could register with Wood County Net where we already have an account. Sharp will have Ross talk to Dan.

FOULKE: There will not be a Planning Commission meeting this month.

MAZUR: The cost to purchase two new mowers, a snow blower and cab is \$15,622.63. They should last seven years. Mazur moved to purchase the two lawnmowers. Seconded by Vandersall, the motion carried unanimously.

Suggested donating the oldest lawnmower to the Ball Association to use to drag the ball fields. They would be responsible for repairs to the mower and would not be allowed to sell it. A written agreement should be drawn up. The other mower and cab will be sold.

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Would like Council to inform him now if they have any projects for Jeff Bourdo.

AUSTIN: Talked about a Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) in Strategic Planning and feels it would be a good thing to think about. It involves tax abatements for improvements on industrial development to defined areas. The Mayor stated we need to decide if this is the way we want to go before pursuing it.

As there was no further business to be brought before Council at this time, Sharp moved, seconded by Vandersall, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Justin Oberhaus

Mayor

Russ A. Pharis

Clerk