

Mayor Opelt called the regular meeting of Council to order on Tuesday, May 17, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. He offered a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present for roll call were Panning, Brann, Donaldson and Barnes. Vandersall and Sharp were absent. Also attending the meeting were residents Joanne Busdeker, Eric Campbell, H.C. Kahler and Kathy Barnes.

The minutes from May 3, 2005 were reviewed. As there were no additions or corrections, the minutes stand approved as submitted.

Bills in the amount of \$2,700.36 were presented for approval of payment. Brann moved, seconded by Barnes, to pay the bills. The motion carried unanimously.

BPA--Discussed the Davies, Keller and Griswold properties.

Ordinance #1324, Ordinance Amending Article II of the Zoning Code, Concerning the Definition of "Agriculture", had its third reading. Panning moved to pass Ordinance #1324. Seconded by Brann, the motion carried unanimously.

Sharp would like Council's approval to purchase a waste container out of Park Funds for Mason Park at a cost of approximately \$300.00. It would match the ones recently bought for Memorial Park. Brann moved to approve the purchase. Seconded by Barnes, the motion carried unanimously.

There are two options for insurance on the "Old Ford Garage." Replacement cost limit should be \$229,273 with a premium of \$439.00 and Actual Cash Value limit would be \$118,000 with a premium of \$228.00. Barnes moved to go with the Actual Cash Value at this time with the \$228.00 premium. Seconded by Panning, the motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR: Read a Proclamation declaring May 21, 2005 as Poppy Day in the Village of Pemberville. Legion Auxiliary member Joanne Busdeker encouraged everyone to wear a poppy.

Was asked to make up a proclamation for Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week to inform people of the problem with the Emerald Ash Borer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PANNING: The Streets, Alleys & Sidewalk Committee will walk the sidewalks when they meet Thursday to see what needs to be done yet and check the catch basins to see which ones need repaired.

Was approached by the Keller's to see if the Village would be interested in purchasing the property for \$150,000.00 or they would negotiate. They would not charge interest and would give two or three years to pay for it. Possible uses for the property could be soccer fields and a ball diamond and the

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purchase would secure our water wells for future generations as our 99-year lease is dwindling. It was recommended that the purchase be pursued but the price needs to be negotiated first and a proposal brought back to Council.

BRANN: The Fire Committee will meet tomorrow night and make a recommendation for Fire Chief to the Township Trustees for their Monday night meeting.

BARNES: A Realtor/Investor/Developer will be looking at the "Old Ford Garage" to determine what would have to be done to make it more attractive.

Will attend the County meeting on June 7 to try and help secure grant money for handicap restrooms in the old street garage. Included with the grant application were letters of support from PIMA, Pemberville Historical Society, Pemberville Fair Board, a Fair Board member, Library and Sandbagger Running Club. The County has \$322,000.00 to allot to six different Villages and we should find out by August if we are going to get any and how much. The money will not be available until January 2006.

The Public Revitalization meeting will be Thursday, June 9, at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR & POLICE CHIEF: The Police & Safety Committee discussed abandoned vehicles and putting up the "Slow Children at Play" signs on East Street. They questioned if the ice cream man should be required to purchase a permit along with other people who do business in the Village that are not based in Pemberville and do not reside in the Village. This would be a way to track them for income tax. Barnes commented we don't want to discourage people from coming to town but we should check and see what other Villages do.

Has a bid from Rutter and Dudley for paving Memorial Drive and areas damaged by water and sewer repairs in the amount of \$8,800.00 and is waiting for a quote from Morlock.

Fixing the damaged Police vehicle was discussed and either selling it or use for the Police Auxiliary. The purchase of a used car for \$6,000.00 was brought up using the \$2,000.00 insurance money and an additional \$4,000.00 plus light bar. A decision was tabled until we can come up with the money in the General Fund.

As there was no further business to be brought before Council at this time, Panning moved, seconded by Donaldson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk