

Mayor Opelt called the regular meeting of Council to order on Tuesday, October 3, 2006 at 7:30p.m. Brandt offered a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present for roll call were: Brandt, Barnes, Campbell, Madaras, and Partin. Meisner was absent. Also in attendance were, Russell Eby, Bud Kahler, Joanne Busdeker, Roger Klee, and reporter, Will Malone from the Sentinel Tribune.

The minutes from the September 19, 2006 Council Meeting and the September 19, 2006 Public Hearing were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Supplemental appropriations defining line item transfers were given to Council. They were also given a September and a year-to-date Fund Status and Cash Summary reports. Bills in the amount of \$26,759.91 were presented for payment. **Brandt moved, Campbell seconded, to pay the bills. The motion carried unanimously.**

Brandt moved, Madaras seconded, to contract Sue Frizzell to fill in for and train the new fiscal officer at the rate of \$15.00/Hr. to be made effective September 29. The motion carried unanimously.

Brandt moved, Barnes seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. The motion carried unanimously.

The Council Meeting resumed at 8:23pm.

Eastwood School Board members Roger Bostdorff and Bob Kuhman made a presentation to Council outlining the School Boards plan and reason to place a 1% Income Tax levy on the November ballot. Mr. Bostdorff explained that if the levy doesn't pass, 1.7 million dollars will need to be cut from the annual budget. The School Board members encourage everyone to call them or the school if they have any questions regarding the levy.

Mayor Opelt asked Council for confirmation of the appointment of Debra Cartledge for the Fiscal Officer. **Brandt moved, Partin seconded, to confirm the appointment of Debra Cartledge. The vote was as follows: Brandt, yes; Partin, yes; Madaras, yes; Campbell, no; Barnes, yes. The motion carried by a majority of vote**

Ordinance 1376: Ordinance Authorizing The Execution Of A Hydro Developmental Cost Sharing Agreement By The Village Of Pemberville With American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc. And Repealing Ordinance 1360, had its first reading.

Clerks Report: Young Life, a Christian group from Eastwood High School, has asked if they could use the Shelter House on Thursday evenings for their weekly meetings. **Madaras moved, Campbell seconded, to allow the group to use the shelter house at no cost, as long as they clean up after themselves and no cost is incurred to the Village for clean-up. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayors Report: Octoberfest, will be held on October 28. The Garden Club will be using the Old Ford Garage again this year during the event. The Mayor also encouraged Council members to get out and volunteer for the day. The Pemberville Freedom Fire Department will be hosting the Herb Martin Memorial Ride and Open House this Saturday, October 7. Prompted by a complaint from a resident, the Mayor expressed his concern regarding Village sidewalks that need repair. He felt that because we are asking residents to fix their sidewalks, we should show good faith as well and fix our own.

Committee Reports:

Brandt: Brandt is still seeking estimates on windows, walls, etc. on the old street garage and the old Ford garage.

Barnes: The Economical Development will be held on October 16 at 7:30. Bids are being sought for the restrooms and should be received by October 16. Barnes will be unavailable during Oct 6 – 15.

Campbell: Utilities: North Water Plant replacement has been put on hold until spring. The need for a containment ditch at the North Electrical Substation has been revisited and it is now deemed not necessary. Streets and Sidewalks: The new one-ton truck has been received and is waiting on the equipment. The Wood County Forestry representative was here yesterday to look at the trees that are earmarked for removal due to sidewalk heaving. The list will be finalized soon.

Madaras: Finance committee has met briefly and it was reported that a CD was renewed at a higher rate. Madaras met with Mr. Miller and Mrs. Mazur to discuss the operation of the pool and the changes that can be made next year. Winterizing the pool has begun.

Partin: No report.

Guest Comments: Mr. Klee asked what the status of the CDBG Grant was. The Mayor explained that the Grant has ended for this year as there was not enough request from the downtown business owners to apply. Poggemeyers advised that the grant could be reworked and the application could be filed next year. This would require more participation on the part of downtown business owners. Mr. Klee also express disappointment over the way the decision not to apply was handled. Committee members were not notified, and Mr. Klee felt a meeting of Council should have been held to discuss the filing of the application and he also voiced concerns over potential violation of the Sunshine Law. Mr. Klee stated he is concerned that the Village is losing trust and opening a chance to litigation due to the fact that many things are done without open meetings. Councilperson Campbell expressed concerns of an Economic Development Committee member's conflict of interest. Campbell also questions a meeting held outside the jurisdiction of the Village and the potential of ramifications stemming from oversight of the Sunshine Law.

As there were no other items to bring before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.