

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

Present for roll call were: Brandt, Partin, Miesmer, Madaras, Campbell, and Barnes. Also in attendance were: Police Chief Molnar, Roger Klee, Russ Eby, Bud Kahler, and Joanne Busdeker.

The minutes from the October 17, 2006 Council Meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Bills in the amount of \$3,825.95 were presented for payment. Campbell moved to pay these bills and Barnes seconded the motion. The motion passed by all. Also, presented separately was a Toledo Fence bill in the amount of \$4,374.83 for the ball field fence. This cost is covered by the grant received for \$5,250 with matching funds to be made by the Pemberville Little League. Campbell moved to pay the invoice and it was seconded by Barnes. The council passed the motion.

Ordinance 1376: Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of a Hydro Development Cost Sharing Agreement by the Village of Pemberville with American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc. and Repealing Ordinance 1360. The Third reading was completed with Brandt moving to pass the ordinance and Miesmer seconding. The ordinance was passed unanimously.

Ordinance 1378: Ordinance to make Temporary Appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Pemberville, State of Ohio, during fiscal year ending December 31, 2007. First reading was completed.

Ordinance 1379: Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to Enter into a Contract with Buckeye Sanitation, Inc. for Trash Removal in the Village of Pemberville and Declaring an Emergency. The first reading was completed. There was discussion on getting quotes from the two trash removal companies in the area, Buckeye Sanitation and NAT Transportation. Madaras and Partin took the task to make a list of various options for the village citizens to have their trash picked up and payment alternatives. Then this list would be submitted to Buckeye and NAT for them to make a bid for each of the various options.

Ordinance 1380: Ordinance Establishing Municipal Employment Positions, Defining Duties and Providing for the Compensation Thereof. First reading was completed.

Clerk's Report: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Opelt distributed a letter from the Ohio EPA concerning the September 8, 2006 inspection on the Village Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The November 2006 calendar was also distributed to council.

The Mayor announced the Holiday Reception given by the Wood County Economic Development Commission. The reception is Wednesday, December 6, 2006 from 4pm to 6:30pm, at Holiday Inn French Quarter, Perrysburg, Ohio. An invitation was handed to the council members.

Larry Kurtz has agreed to accept the Village's offer to have 31 trees replaced. These trees will be paid for by the Water Fund. North Branch Nursery has bid on the job and is scheduling the job to be done in the near future.

Mayor Opelt commented on the efficiency of the police department, fire department, and EMS concerning the car accident that occurred in front of his house on Monday, November 6th. The accident was cleaned up within a one hour span.

Committee Reports:

Brandt: Mr. Brandt announced the Personnel Committee meeting normally scheduled for Thursday, November 9, 2006 has been cancelled.

The Personnel Handbook needs to be reviewed and updated by the personnel committee. The employees have brought a few items to Mr. Brandt's attention to be considered for next year.

The Wage Ordinance was presented to council and also to the employees today. The employees have received an increase in take home pay. The employee's out-of-pocket medical coverage was changed to 13% of their particular medical insurance premium. Prior to this, employees were paying a fixed \$85 per month (family) for the portion of the medical coverage. The ordinance is much like last years. Brandt did note the additional duties of overseeing the storm water sewer system to the waste water department. Thus, Brian Heestand in the waste water department will have to work with the street department concerning the storm sewers.

Barnes: TMACOG is going over their allocations for grants which include our streetscape grant. They have asked us to submit an updated estimate of our streetscape project by November 13th. TMACOG is meeting on November 20th to review this report. They plan to approve and finalize the grant at their December 18th meeting. Jeff Newby, our engineer, will be working on this updated estimate.

Campbell: Concerning utilities, the Toledo Edison contract will expire in 2008. AMP-OH is reviewing and working on this.

Feller Finch has submitted to the Village the estimate for drilling a new well for the Village at \$50,000.

The agreement with Northwest Ohio Water Sewer District will be given out to the council members to review when completed. The pre-annexation area boundaries for the Village water district are: Rt. 23 (East), Gibsonburg Road (South), Lucky Road (West), and Devils Hole Road (North). This area should be scrutinized by the council before the council approves these boundaries.

There was a water break at Mason Park. The break was fixed and three water valves were found to be defective. Mike Fritz is planning on replacing the defective valves that were found during the water break. The stormline behind Bud Kahler's house is in poor condition. Campbell recommended replacing the waterline along with the stormline if feasible.

The swimming pool gas bill was brought up. A price with a Columbia Gas supplier needs to be locked in.

Street and Sidewalks: Some more citizens have replaced sidewalks: Dorritt Beckman and Eva Warrick had their sidewalks leveled. Mark Westfall, Jessica Jackson, and Karen Schultz have replaced their sidewalks. Campbell asked council to reimburse people about 10% of the money spent on leveling. Looking back in the minutes, council had agreed to pay Matt Philips 20% of his sidewalk costs. Concrete replacement was reimbursed by square foot; 75 cents per square foot at 4 inches thick, and 90 cents per square foot at 6 inches thick. The ordinance (#1146, 9/15/1998) needs to be amended to add the leveling (hydrolifting) method of sidewalk work, at a 10% reimbursement by a reputable leveling company. The cost of this reimbursement would be paid for by the Permanent Improvement Fund. The hydrolifting method is done by a few companies (e.g. Elliott Leveling), in which a list of contractors will be compiled, but Council will not make any recommendations. A motion was made by Brandt to go ahead and reimburse the citizens that were mentioned tonight, so they do not have to wait for an ordinance to be passed. Partin seconded this motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Madaras: The finance committee met and Debbie Cartledge has initiated a Budget Planning Survey to be distributed to various departments.

The Tree Committee submitted to council a questionable tree list and removal recommendations. There was an October inspection by an urban forester. The Mayor wanted to emphasize that the Village has recommended removing the one tree near his property and he wanted everyone to know that he has not personally requested to have the tree removed. The homeowner has the first choice for the firewood logs from their tree that was cut down. After the homeowner's choice, there is a list of people who would like fire wood that John Lockard has setup.

Park and Recreation Committee met and Tom Oberhouse is working on a site plan for Oberhouse Park.

The Swimming Pool finance report was submitted. Margaret Wilka was thanked for making up the report. The swimming pool ended the year with a balance of \$15,992.07. The Swimming Pool lost \$9,007.93 for the year if the \$25,000 Village contribution is not included in the revenues. This loss is still much less than other towns in the area that have a swimming pool. The Village employee's labor was not included in the expenses. Mr. Brandt wanted to thank the Village employees for the work done on the swimming pool to help it be successful. Mrs. Mazur, Pool

Manager, and Matt Philips, former manager, met with the Pool Committee and they made recommendations for cost cutting changes, hoping to cut costs another \$4,000 to \$5,000 for next year. The Board of Public Affairs forgave the costs of the water and utilities on the swimming pool for 2006. Mr. Madaras wrote a thank you letter to the Board of Public Affairs for their contribution.

The ball diamond fence is still being worked on.

The meeting for the Parks and Recreation Committee will be changed to November 30th at 7pm. There will be no December meeting due to the Christmas holidays.

Police and Fire: Police Chief Molnar asked council for \$261.20 to buy four new tires for the police Ford Cruiser. This is "at cost" from Steve's BP. Madaras made the motion to buy the tires and Miesmer seconded. The motion carried.

Chief Molnar announced that Officer Moffitt is leaving the Village. Chief Molnar received a grant to buy a bullet proof vest for Officer McMillan. This is a \$900 savings. Two more grants have been submitted to purchase two more bullet proof vests.

Miesmer: The Planning Commission is meeting on Wednesday, November 15th at 7pm. Things to be discussed will be zoning issues and ordinances pertaining to home businesses.

Partin: Public Lands and Buildings Committee met this evening. The Old Ford Garage heating and utility bills were discussed. They are checking into the high garage utility bill of \$200. Winterizing was discussed.

Painting work in the Opera House was discussed and working in conjunction with the Opera House folks would be coordinated in the future

Mayor: The Village Office is closed on Friday, November 10th.

Concerning the Downtown Grant, the Mayor received a check list of things needed to be done from Danielle. This is a list of needed items for this year and also for next year for the downtown grant submission. The list will be emailed to all the committee members. This subject will be discussed in the November 27th meeting.

Mr. Campbell shared with council the compliments from the BPA meeting on the fine job the Police Department is doing. Several citizens have told BPA members how happy they are with the Police Department.

Leaf pickup work has fallen behind schedule because of the wet weather. Mayor Opelt would like to see a new schedule, showing a Monday through Friday schedule by street. A final pickup date was proposed by Mr. Campbell of December 1st. A notice will be announced to the Village on the Town Hall sign as to the December 1st cutoff date.

As there were no other items to bring before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.