

VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 2, 2007

Mayor Opelt called the regular meeting of the Council to order at 7:30 pm. A prayer was said by Robert Brandt and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call: Brandt, Barnes, Campbell, Madaras and Miesmer were present. Marge Cox was absent. Others in attendance were Gordon Bowman, Bud Kahler, Christian King, Russell Eby, Will Malone, from the Sentinel Tribune and Chief Molnar.

Minutes from the September 18, 2007 Meeting were approved by Council.

Treasurer's Report: Bills amounting to \$3,888.33 were submitted for payment. Brandt made a motion to pay the bills and Barnes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial reports distributed to Council were as follows: Cash Summary by Fund YTD, Cash Summary by Fund for the month of September 2007, Fund Status Report as of 9/28/07, and Supplemental Appropriations for the month of September 2007.

Ordinance 1404 – 2nd Reading – Ordinance to Approve the Form and Authorize the Execution of a Power Sales Contract with American Municipal Power – Ohio, Inc. and Taking Other Actions in Connection Therewith Regarding the Prairie State Energy Campus.

Ordinance 1405 – 2nd Reading – Ordinance to Approve the Form and Authorize the Execution of a Power Sales Contract with American Municipal Power- Ohio, Inc. and Taking Other Actions in Connection Therewith Regarding Hydroelectric Project Participation.

Ordinance 1407 – 1st Reading – Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of the Village Wood Chipper. Rick Beeker offered to purchase the old wood chipper for \$8,000. Vermeer Equipment offered \$6,500 as a trade-in for a new wood chipper. Madaras made a motion to suspend the rules on Ordinance 1407 and Brandt seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Brandt made a motion to pass this ordinance as an emergency and Campbell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Council discussed purchasing a new John Deere BC1500 wood chipper from Vermeer. Vermeer is the State Purchasing Program supplier and offers the lowest price. The total cost for a new wood chipper was \$41,376.49 less the \$15,000 grant received and less the \$8,000 received for the old chipper would net the expenditure to \$18,376.49. Madaras made a motion to purchase the new wood chipper and Brandt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 690 – 3rd Reading – Resolution Approving Form and Authorizing the Execution of a Power Sales Contract with American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc. and Taking Other Actions in Connection Therewith. Barnes made the motion to pass this ordinance as an emergency because it needed to be effective as of November 1st. Madaras seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 691 – 2nd Reading – Resolution Authorizing the Village Attorney to Petition the Wood County Board of Commissioners to Annex Property Recently Acquired from Mary E. Stein, Successor Trustee and Owned by the Village of Pemberville, Ohio.

Resolution 693 – 2nd Reading – Resolution Authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Pemberville to Prepare and Submit an Application to Participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program(s) and to Execute Contracts as Required. Brandt made the motion to suspend the rules because the contract had to be in effect by November 1st. Barnes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Brandt made a motion to amend by substitution because the project name was corrected to read “Waste Water Plant Project.” The motion included passing this ordinance as an emergency. Barnes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk’s Report – The auditor from the State of Ohio will be coming on October 10th for an exit conference. The time of the meeting is 3:30pm. At least one council person should be present for the meeting.

Mayor’s Report – Four Seasons Garden Club requests that Council approve their use of the old Ford garage for Autumn Fest on October 27th. Barnes made the motion to approve this and Campbell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor expressed appreciation to all those who worked at Pemberville Unwrapped. The group is planning a wrap-up meeting soon.

Trudy Davies wrote a note of thanks to the Pemberville Unwrapped committee for the wonderful job of promoting the town of Pemberville. She was extremely pleased with the number of people who came through their condos and the many people who came to Pemberville for the event.

There will be a “Meet the Candidates” meeting on October 18th at 7 pm. This will be held at the Riverview Banquet Center. Candidates from the Village of Pemberville, Freedom Township, Village of Luckey, and Webster Township will be present. Keith Madaras will speak on the Pemberville Park Levy.

The Eastwood School Board will be holding two meetings to discuss future plans for school buildings. Even though a levy may be placed on the ballot in November 2008, a decision will be made this November. Village Council is invited to a Task Force meeting on October 24th at Dowling School at 7pm. There will also be a meeting at Pemberville Elementary School on October 30th at 7 pm. The Mayor encourages many from Pemberville to show up and voice their opinion.

“A Tribute to Local Government” dinner meeting with Governor Ted Strickland will be held on October 29th at 6:30 pm at French Quarters in Perrysburg. Reservations will be due next week.

The Ohio Attorney General sent the Village a letter concerning House Bill 9 and the Ohio Sunshine Law. House Bill 9 requires all public offices to adopt a formal policy for complying with the Public Records Act. The law also mandates that all elected officials or their appropriate designees to obtain three hours of public records training approved by the Ohio Attorney General.

The Mayor is proposing to start the Council Meetings one half hour earlier, at 7pm, starting in January 2008. He asked Council to think about this for a decision at a future date.

Committee Reports:

Brandt: The restrooms are progressing at the old street garage.

The September 17th minutes of the Board of Public Affairs states that Brian Heestand was approved to go ahead and do whatever needed to be done to correct the stone driveway at 804 West Front Street. Brian did not get to the work, so Dave Bruning leveled out the driveway.

Barnes:

The Economic Development meeting is Monday, October 8, at 7:30 pm.

Campbell:

The street crew wants the leaf pickup schedule to go back to five days per week. Brandt thought that the current four day schedule should be followed and then use the 5th day to pickup at the street department's discretion. Miesmer and Madaras also felt that it would be confusing to the general public to change the schedule now.

The Lands and Buildings Department would like to get a dumpster to clean up areas. This will be brought before Council at a later date.

A resident has offered to donate concrete barriers to the Village to be used during times of flooding. The barriers were in good condition and could be stored at the utility building. Each barrier weighs about 1,500 lbs and it would require a 5,000 lb Forklift to move a barrier. Campbell made a motion to accept the donation upon inspection of the barriers and Barnes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

TMACOG requests to use the Town Hall for a Portage River Basin Meeting on October 25th from 2 to 4 pm. This was approved by Council.

There will be a Streets and Sidewalks Meeting on October 18th at 3 pm.

There will be a Flood Meeting on November 7th at 4 pm at the Town Hall. Several Ohio and County officials will be in attendance.

Madaras:

The Park and Recreation Committee met last Thursday on September 27th. The Pemberville Fair Board donated \$500 to the committee to help offset the price for Park Levy advertising material. It was noted that there could be no advertisement of the levy sent with the Village's utility bill mailing.

Great Lakes Concrete has sent the estimate for the swimming pool concrete work. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Miesmer:

The Planning Commission met on September 19th and approved a partial split to J.D. Smith on East Front Street. The M2 General Industrial zoning classification was reviewed due to the property transfer of the old Pemberville Tractor property. The Commission is monitoring the change in land use. They are also reviewing the potential impact on a child daycare facility in the downtown business district.

Dave Miesmer will be gone on vacation from October 3rd to November 3rd. Thus, the Planning Commission meeting on October 17th will be cancelled.

Guests:

Russ Eby asked Council to approve posting the "Meet the Candidates" meeting on October 18th at 7 pm at Riverview Banquet Center. This was approved by Council.

There was no other business to discuss so the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Debra L. Cartledge
Fiscal Officer

James R. Opelt
Mayor
