

VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE COUNCIL MEETING MAY 6, 2008

Mayor Opelt opened the May 6, 2008 meeting at 7 pm. A prayer was offered and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll Call: Miesmer, Bowman, Campbell, Cox and King. Madaras was absent. Others present were: Mayor Opelt, Russell Eby, Gene Steele, Will Malone from the Sentinel Tribune, Erlin Moritz, Christina Yaniga and the clerk.

Minutes: The minutes from the April 15, 2008 meeting were approved by Council. Minutes of the BPA meeting for April 14, 2008 was distributed, also.

Treasurer's Report: Bills in the amount of \$22,221.61 were submitted for payment. King made a motion to pay the bills and Bowman seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Financial reports were distributed as follows: Supplemental Appropriations for April 2008, Cash Summary by Fund for YTD Ending 4/30/08 and for the Month Ending 4/30/08.

Ordinance #1423 – 2nd Reading – ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR CLEAN RENTAL HABITATIONS. Miesmer questioned why some on Council wanted four lines of the ordinance taken out. The lines taken out stated that all persons or entities that lease shall provide receptacles for trash and should provide for emptying and removal of trash weekly. These receptacles must be located within the leased premises or another location provided by the person or entity leasing the property. Campbell responded by saying that this wording penalized every landlord in the village. The problem is that downtown tenants are using the public trash receptacles.

Ordinance #1424 – 2nd Reading - ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED FUNDS. To transfer funds from Swimming Pool Wages to Swimming Pool Professional Services for the two manager's service for the 2008 pool season.

Ordinance #1425 – 2nd Reading – ORDINANCE PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE, OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2008 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008.- To appropriate \$53,975 for the Town Hall ADA Restrooms.

Resolution #696 – 1st Reading - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT REGISTRY SERVICE (CDARS) WHEN INVESTING VILLAGE FUNDS. This is a program required by Union Bank to invest in future Certificates of Deposit. Campbell made a motion to suspend the rules. Cox seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Campbell made a motion to pass Resolution #696 and Cox seconded. The motion **PASSED** unanimously.

Resolution #697 – 1st Reading – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR THE FY08 CDBG GRANT. The CDBG FY08 Grant application is due on May 19th. It was thought to go ahead and pass the resolution and work on details for the project next week. King made a motion to suspend the rules and Campbell seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Bowman made a motion to pass Resolution #697 and Miesmer seconded. The motion **PASSED** unanimously.

Resolution #698 – 1st Reading – RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT WITH FIFTH THIRD BANK.

Clerk: No Report

Mayor: Changes to the May Calendar were noted. The Economic Development Task Force meeting will be May 7, 2008 at 7:30 pm.

The Planning Commission will reschedule their meeting to May 28, 2008 at 7 pm and not on May 21th.

There will be an Ohio Public Records Training Workshop held at the Holiday Inn French Quarter on May 23, 2008 from 9 am to 1 pm.

Congressman Bob Latta sent a notice that he will have offices opened at Bowling Green, Defiance and Norwalk. Contact the office if you would like a copy of that letter.

The Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce was putting together a tourism booklet for Wood County. Russell Eby was asked to gather information from the Pemberville website to be sent over to the Chamber of Commerce.

Wood County asked the Mayor to setup a link to the Pemberville website to be displayed on the Wood County Website. The link to the website was completed this week.

Senior Citizens Center in Pemberville is going well. Last week they had over 50 people each day.

Mayor Opelt read a letter from Nedra Sheets. She had cited an article about a group of ladies cleaning up their town. She asked each person in Pemberville to work at keeping our town clean and neat.

Committee Reports:

Madaras was absent from the meeting but asked Mayor Opelt to relay some information to Council.

The Parks and Recreation Board would be meeting on May 15, 2008 at 7 pm.

A Swimming Pool maintenance handout was distributed to Council. Council was asked to approve the valve replacement on the pump filter system. Quotes for the work at the best price were from Randy Rahe at \$1,000 for concrete work and Gearhart Plumbing at \$1,594 for the plumbing work. Miesmer made a motion to do this work at a total of \$2,594 and Campbell seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The list also reported that some miscellaneous work had to be done which included: 1.) replacement of a new toilet in the swimming pool bathroom, 2.) gutter work on the pool building, 3.) the daily filter cleaning schedule and 4.) various small jobs. The Village employees would do this miscellaneous work.

Miesmer: The swimming pool work done by Great Lakes Concrete is really shaping up. It just needs one more coat of paint.

There will be a Personnel Committee meeting on May 8, 2008 at 7 pm. They will be working on the Personnel Manual.

The Planning Commission meeting will be rescheduled for May 28, 2008 at 7 pm.

Bowman: Signature Associates Realtor showed the Old Ford Garage that is for sale. A gentlemen from Gibsonburg was interested, but was concerned about the leaking roof.

Bowman attended a PIMA meeting. PIMA has scheduled a night of sweeping and cleaning of the downtown area in early May.

Bowman attended a Township Trustee meeting. The Township purchased a large power generator through a grant. The generator will power the entire fire station and will be a safe haven during times of emergency in the community.

The Streetscape Project has been reviewed by Bowman. Ohio Department of Transportation has asked for the Village to decide on a designer of the project. The total project cost is estimated at \$400,000 with ODOT paying 80% and the Village paying 20% of this cost. The Village will also have to pay for the designer's fees. Poggemeyer Engineering did the preliminary work on this project. Within the next few meetings, the Council will have to decide on a designer and also the plans on financing the project. Bowman suggested to Council that they hire Mary Ellen Poturalski to begin applying for grants to pay for the Village's share of the project, which will run around \$90,000. It would cost \$1,000 to engage her for this year.

The Economic Development Task Force will meet tomorrow night. This will be an organizational meeting. Bowman encouraged everyone who has ideas to attend.

Campbell: Two draft letters were presented to Council concerning brush pick in alleys and rules requesting the use of open brush containers. Containers cannot weight more than 35 lbs. and have holes drilled in the bottom to drain out any water. No plastic bags are accepted by the Village pickup.

Mayor Opelt suggested a grass drop off at the Street Garage so residents can haul their own grass clippings. This would be a cost savings to the Village. This is a convenience to the residents and more of an additional enhancement to the services already provided to the community. Campbell thought it would be best to have a drop off for grass clippings only; not twigs, yard waste, or brush. He would have the Street Department set it up.

Street Sweeping quotes were received from Dublin and Perfect Sweep. Campbell recommended Dublin for the work at \$780 for the first sweep and \$520 for each additional sweep. Campbell made a motion to hire Dublin for five times at a total cost of \$2,860. Miesmer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Wood County Engineer was asked to move the guardrail near the CSX Elmore railroad approach. This would help in widening the approach at the crossing. The cost for Wood County Engineer to do this work is \$511.25.

There are three proposed paving projects that Campbell recommends to have done this year. 1.) CSX Approach, 2.) Memorial Drive, and 3.) Walnut Street.

Campbell reported that there is a brush pile behind the D & D Carryout off of the Walking Trail that needs to be removed. People are using this for a dumping pile. It will be hard to get the chipper down in that area to clean up the brush. Campbell will probably have to talk to the property owners to get permission to take equipment back in the area.

Oberhouse Park needs a major cleanup. There will need to be an organized effort with the school and Boy Scouts to get together and cleanup the brush. Campbell will see about organizing this effort.

TMACOG met on April 17, 2008. The URS Corporation has been hired by Army Corp of Engineers to lobby the federal government for funds used for flooding issues. URS has asked for a list of everything needed in our community to help with the flooding problem. Campbell handed out a letter he had written to URS with items needed.

Cox: Finance Committee met tonight at 6:30 pm. Cartledge had reviewed reduced revenues due to Modine Mfg. closing in the future and lower interest rates on certificates of deposits. The committee will be looking at ways to conserve and reduce costs. Cox asked that every superintendant find ways to save.

Cox attended the BPA meeting and reported that John Lockard will be off on sick leave for about six weeks starting May 7th.

The BPA is still working with Baileys to fix the 10" cement pipe that has collapsed in their yard. Several options have been talked about which will be decided on soon.

King: The Police Department reported that the new cruiser should arrive in late June.

King asked about the Village nuisance ordinance and wanted the details on this ordinance. The weeds and grass should not exceed the height of 12". A notice (certified letter) will be issued for the resident to cut the yard within five days. If they do not cut the yard in five days, then the town will charge the owner for mowing to their real estate taxes. This is per the ORC 93.40 and Village Ordinance #1397.

Safety Committee meets on May 20th at 6:30 pm.

Guests:

Christina Yaniga asked Council to sign an agreement to release her from the liability of fixing her sidewalks since the previous owner did not repair the sidewalks in 2007 according to the Village sidewalk specifications. The Yanigas purchased the property around October 2007 and hold a signed agreement between them and the Thorntons (previous owners) saying the Thorntons would repair the sidewalks on or before 10/15/07. Mike Marsh, Village Solicitor, advised Yaniga to go back to Thorntons and ask them to have the sidewalks fixed per the Village specifications. The Village can only deal with the current property owners and cannot deal with previous owners. Marsh felt that the Thorntons owed this to the Yanigas. Yaniga argued that the Village Council delayed in making the Thorntons repair the sidewalk which caused this problem for

them. Council decided to put a description of what is required to fix the sidewalks and put it in a formal letter to Yaniga so they can pursue Thorntons for the repairs.

Erlin Moritz, 223 Water Street, asked Council about raising the level of his house to help with flooding. The Wood County Building Inspection office would be able to give him information about this issue.

Chief Molnar: Molnar will be at training next week, May 13 through May 15.

There was no other business to discuss, so Mayor Opelt adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm.

Debra L. Cartledge

James R. Opelt

Fiscal Officer

Mayor