

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING
March 17, 2009**

Mayor Opelt opened the March 17, 2009 meeting at 7 pm with a prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Bowman, Campbell, King, Madaras, and Miesmer. Absent: Cox. Others present were: Mayor Opelt, Police Chief Bingham, Russell Eby, Gene Steele, Ed Wozniack, Eileen Schuerman, Jordan Cravens, and the clerk.

Minutes: The March 3, 2009 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Council was asked to approve the bills amounting to \$2,920.86. Bowman made the motion to approve payment of the bills and King seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Financial Reports distributed to Council were: Fund Status Report as of 2/27/09, Cash Summary by Fund for February 2009, and Supplemental Appropriations for February 2009.

Clerk's Report: none

Mayor's Report: The Mayor attended the No wrong door Seminar. Mayor graduated and received a certificate. It was suggested the clerks would benefit from this seminar. This seminar provides information to assist residents in obtaining help. Mayor discussed the Mayor's meeting last week. King was thanked for his attendance. A reminder was made to council that the Wood County Mayors Association will be holding their quarterly meeting on March 31 at Riverview Banquet Center in Pemberville. The Mayor asked that all try to attend. A letter from Time Warner Cable will be placed on the website explaining changes in the company. There will be a community health screening on Wednesday, April 29 at the Pemberville American Legion. The Village received a letter from the Ohio Department of Commerce. The letter explained that any liquor licenses within the Village would be renewed on June first unless the Village files a motion. The Mayor thanked all who attended the meeting for the ditch petition. It was suggested to send out a mailing to hold a Town Hall meeting at the Fire Hall with residents in the village and the township to discuss what should be done. The 1st year anniversary celebration for the senior center will be held on March 30 at 11:30am. Please call the center to let them know if you plan to attend.

The Mayor explained the Police Department would like to purchase a repeater. The repeater sends the officer's radio signal to the county when the signal would not normally carry. The cost for the unit is \$2,128 and \$310 for the FCC license. Campbell moved to purchase one repeater unit and obtain a FCC license. King seconded the motion. Madaras question whether the village should purchase one for each vehicle. Resident questioned if funds were available to purchase two repeaters. The repeaters are capable of being installed in another car. The motion passed unanimously.

Police Chief Report: The Police Department performed a curfew sweep over the weekend. There was one arrest. The teen was apprehended and returned his parents. The Chief plans to continue these sweeps especially over the summer months.

Bowman: The Economic Taskforce met. They plan to finish a detailed outline of the streetscape project before the next meeting. When finish, it will be presented to council. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 9th.

Campbell: Campbell requested any spring cleaning jobs be given to him before the next meeting. Currently, the employees are working to clean leaves and debris around the fences at the pool and the parks. The next streets and sidewalk meeting is Thursday, March 19th at 5pm.

King: The safety committee met. They have obtained a light bar for the Golf Cart. King explained the Eastwood Varsity bowling team won state and he would like to see them recognized. The Mayor will make a proclamation. King will set up a time for them to come to a council meeting.

Madaras: The Park and Recreation Committee will meet on the 26th. A work list for the pool has been generated. The Clerk will distribute the list to the Board of Public Affairs and the employees. Madaras asked the park restrooms be opened and closed daily. He would like to the Personnel Committee to assign this to someone. Miesmer explained that the committee has found that a central point person in the office allows for quicker and more organized completion of a project. The Clerk was asked to assign this job to an employee. There was discussion on the cost to replace one or both backboards. SAL has agreed to cover the cost to replace the backboard. The Mayor asked that someone contact the SAL to verify the amount they are willing to cover and then a decision on how to proceed will be made.

Miesmer: Personnel Committee is hoping to finish the personnel manual revision within the next month. This will be distributed to council, board, & employees for comments.

Old Business: The Mayor explained the Board has not made a recommendation to council to fill the BPA Clerk position. A special meeting may need to be called prior to the next meeting to allow the new employee to begin before the next utility billing cycle.

Executive session: Bowman moved to go into executive session to discuss property. King seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. Madaras moved to come out of executive session and Campbell seconded. The Mayor explained that on Friday, March 13th the Village had bid openings for the Ford Garage. The high bid for \$38,000 was from Bob Rentz. Miesmer moved to sell the Old Ford Garage on Front Street for \$38,000 to Bob Rentz. Madaras seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimous.

As there was no other business, the Mayor adjourned the meeting.

Clerk

Mayor