

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING
May 5, 2009**

Mayor Opelt opened the May 5, 2009 meeting at 7 pm with a prayer and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Campbell, Cox, King, Madaras and Miesmer. Others present were: Mayor Opelt, Police Chief Bingham, Russ Eby, Jordan Cravens, Howard Shirling, Gene Steele, Solicitor Mike Marsh and the clerk.

Minutes: The April 21, 2009 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report:

King made the motion to approve payment of bills amounting to \$6,323.85 and Campbell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports distributed to Council were: Fund Status Report as of 4/30/09, Cash Summary by Fund for April 2009, Supplemental Appropriations for April 2009 and Wages and Overtime Report for April 2009.

Mayor's Report:

The Mayor explained he had received complaints about the condition of the walking trail. Complaints were also received about dogs off of the leash. Chief Bingham & Campbell were asked to address the dog issue.

Chief spoke with a citizen who was questioning if the no parking signs on Cherry Street were going to be put back up. These signs were taken down due to construction in the area.

There is a parking problem on Pine Street during the elementary school pick up / drop off times. The children are crossing the road between busses. The Chief was asked to explain the need to have the elementary school reiterate this concern to parents.

The Police department has received nuisance complaints on foreclosed properties. Council decided a plan should be established. Two options for clean up were discussed.

Option 1 The Village cleans up the problem now and assesses the cost to the property.

Option 2 Wait until the sale of the property and work with new owners. The clean-up work could be hired out. It was decided to try to hire locally if available and then assess the cost to the tax duplicate.

During the spring cleaning at the Police station a radar unit & camera were found. The Chief would like to sell these on govdeals.com and use the proceeds to purchase additional supplies. Campbell moved and King seconded to allow Chief to put the items on gov deals to sell. The motion passed unanimously.

The Pemberville Police Department will be participating in the Click It or Ticket program May 18th through the 31st. Over the Limit, Under Arrest is scheduled for September. Banners or signs will be placed around the town. If you are willing to have a sign in your yard please contact the Chief. Participation in these programs will allow the Village to be eligible for free equipment.

Chief Bingham requested permission to attend the Ohio Chief of Police Conference on August 2nd in Columbus. The cost for the conference is \$35

and the hotel for one night is \$89. Campbell moved and King seconded to allow the Chief to attend the conference. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Village received a donation of eight Tasers from the Springfield Police Department. Chief would like to offer Taser Training for our officers. The Chief had contacted the Village insurance carrier to verify if this would be covered. The insurance company agreed to the Tasers. Madaras moved and Cox seconded to accept the gift of the eight Tasers and allow the training of the officers at no cost to the Village. The motion passed unanimously.

Campbell:

Three quotes for topsoil were presented. All agreed to allow the clerk to purchase topsoil not to exceed \$550.

Quotes for the priming of furnace & air conditioning units were presented. Campbell moved and King seconded to hire Gearhart to prime the village furnace and air conditioning units at a cost of \$445. The motion was unanimously approved.

Cox:

The BPA agreed to pay for ½ of the purchase of a new copier. Cox moved to purchase copier through permanent improvement with the old copier going to police department. Campbell seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Cox gave an update on pump station design and proposed location. This was discussed. The Mayor explained the Village has received Stimulus Funds for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The prints for the project have been approved at county level and are currently at state level awaiting approval. They may need to be approved at the federal also because of the funding.

Madaras:

Madaras explained that federal law has mandated all grates be changed at the pool. Madaras moved to purchase and install two new grates from Northwest Pools at a cost of \$445 and Campbell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The next Park and Recreation Meeting will be on Thursday, May 14 at 7pm.

Miesmer:

Planning Commission will meet Wednesday, May 20 at 7pm to consider the rezoning request of Mr. Aring.

Personnel will meet Thursday, May 14 at 7pm.

Other:

Mr. Steele discussed the highlights from meeting at Findlay. He had also spoken with Eric from State of Ohio. Mr. Steele requested TMACOG clean out the river instead of donating gages to tell the level of river.

Mr. Shirling presented concerns about the park. He inquired about the process for obtaining signs. Campbell will work with Mr. Shirling to install signs at the park. The art on side of building is not graffiti. It was but the Baseball / Softball Association is changing it to say baseball softball without the vowels.

The Mayor explained there are Mother's Day activities in the Village this weekend. The theme is Plant Yourself in Pemberville.

Campbell explained Wood County Commissioners are having a Portage River clean out meeting on May 7 at 2pm in Arcadia.

Madaras moved and Campbell seconded to go into executive session to discuss personnel. The motion passed unanimously.

Madaras moved and Cox seconded to come out of executive session. It was decided that Mayor Opelt will compile a memo to distribute to employees. This will be presented to the Personnel Committee for their approval prior to distribution.

Clerk

Mayor