

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING
November 3, 2009**

Mayor Opelt opened the November 3, 2009 meeting at 7pm with a prayer and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Bowman- Absent, Campbell, Cox, King, Madaras and Miesmer. Others present were: Harold Brown, Gene Steele, Dennis Rahe, Russell Eby, Bud Kahler, Officer Hubbs, and the clerk.

Minutes: The October 20, 2009 regular meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Cox made a motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$2734.45 and Campbell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1454 – ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE FORM AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF POWER SALES CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN MUNICIPAL POWER, INC. AND TAKING OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH REGARDING MEDAHL AND GREENUP HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT PARTICIPATION – 2nd reading

ORDINANCE 1455 – ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 1332 AND ESTABLISHING MONTHLY CHARGE FOR DEBT REPAYMENT FOR PERMANENT SEWER PROJECTS – 1ST reading

ORDINANCE 1456 - 2010 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS, DEFINING DUTIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION THEREOF – 1ST reading

Campbell asked why this was brought to the council at this time. He asked why it wasn't held off and passed as an emergency later. Miesmer explained that Personnel Committee had discussed the wages and they recommended no change at this time. The only changes to the 2009 wage ordinance were the dates and the Fiscal Officer salary that had been amended when the current fiscal Officer was hired. Miesmer invited all council members to attend the next personnel meeting if they would like to discuss this further.

Madaras extended an invitation to any other council member who would like to work with him as he has three meetings left. He would like to look at a Village Administrator, a way to finance it, potential eliminations of utility positions if we can't justify having the work for four people.

Mayor's Report:

The November calendar was presented. Corrections were cancellation of the Economic Development and the Tree Commission meetings. The Park & Recreation meeting will be moved to the 19th.

Council's approval was requested for the Fiscal and Deputy Fiscal Officer's attendance at two seminars, NWOTCA in Rossford on November 10th and the UAN End of Year Update in Columbus on November 20th. Madaras moved to allow the attendance and one night hotel

stay for the Columbus seminar and Cox seconded the motion. Roll call Madaras –yes, Cox – yes, Miesmer –yes, King –yes, Campbell – no. Motion carried. Madaras moved to pay the membership fee of \$320 to remain a member of TMCOG. King seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Pumpkin Run was held on October 25. A thank you was received from Eagle Scout candidate, Holden Sondergeld. The 5K had 99 participants. The 1 miler had 29 participants. 790 food items were collected on race day for the food pantry. \$1,087 was collected for the food pantry.

The Mayor informed Council that Pam Warren, the State Auditor who performed our last few audits, passed away on Saturday.

Cox:

Cox explained the funding for the new sewer plant. The total cost for the new plant will be approximately \$3,043,159. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds received for the project are \$1,250,000. A grant has also been received for \$400,000. This leaves \$1,689,864.38 in principal and interest that will have to be paid through increased debt service rates to the Village residents.

Madaras:

Madaras explained he had no report but reiterated to council members to consider how they could justify Ordinance 1455 raising sewer rates. Cox explained Ordinance 1455 was for the Sewer Debt Service and the raising of these rates were a direct result of the loan needed for the new sewer plant. These rate increases are required in order to obtain the loan.

Campbell:

Leaf pick up is progressing.

King:

Thanked levy committee and police department for distribution of the flyers.

King explained he had received numerous compliments about the police coverage on Halloween. The village had one paid officer and 10 auxiliary officers. The police department had a traffic stop with a driver driving on a suspended license, a DUI, and a robbery on that evening.

Guests:

Russ Eby distributed the Halloween Survey results. The survey was closed as of 5pm, November 3, 2009.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:20pm