

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING
January 21, 2014**

Mayor Bowman opened the January 21, 2014 meeting at 7:00pm with a prayer and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

JOINT MEETING OF THE PEMBERVILLE UNION CEMETERY BOARD:

This includes the Freedom Township Trustees, Pemberville Council, Mayor and the Fiscal Officer. The Fiscal Officer for the Pemberville Union Cemetery Board presented Financial Statements for the cemetery and explained the standing of the cemetery. It was determined financial support from both Village of Pemberville and Freedom Township would be needed again this year. Last year both entities gave \$2000. It was explained that the Board meets quarterly or more if needed. Last year held a few unusual requests. Last year's Trustees were Rick Rahe-President, Kent Schuerman, and William Long. Mayor Bowman appointed James Opelt to fill open position as Rick Rahe's term was up. Kent Schuerman explained that normally the cemetery pays a portion of the cost for the lawn mower that the township purchases each year. That is planned again this year. The 2014 Cemetery Board will be Kent Schuerman (Freedom Twp - 2 years remaining), William Long (Village Council - 1 year remaining), and James Opelt (Village Council - 3 years remaining). The Fiscal Officer will remain Stephanie Bowe. The first meeting is not scheduled until March but they may need to meet sooner. Mayor Bowman ended the Joint Meeting of the Pemberville Union Cemetery Board.

Roll Call: Present at the regular meeting of council was Campbell, Cox, Long, Opelt, Rothenbuhler, and Schuerman. Others present were Nicole Long, Vic Schuerman, Ed Wozniak, Russell Eby, Kent Schuerman-Freedom Twp Trustee, Dave Bruning-Freedom Twp Trustee, Dennis Henline, Rick Rahe-Freedom Twp Trustee, Chief Darling and the clerk.

Minutes: Campbell moved and Rothenbuhler seconded to approve the January 14, 2014 regular meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Long moved and Opelt seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$767.23. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1517 – ORDINANCE DECLARING A REAL AND PRESENT EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE DESIGN OF THE SOUTH WATER PLANT WITHOUT ADVERTISING. – 3rd reading

Cox moved and Campbell seconded to pass Ordinance 1517. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1518 – ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1078 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE, WITH RESPECT TO PERIODIC PAYMENT INSTALLMENTS OF COMPENSATION FOR THE ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. – 2nd reading

Rothenbuhler moved and Campbell seconded to suspend the rules. The motion passed unanimously. Rothenbuhler moved and Schuerman seconded to pass Ordinance 1518. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1519 – ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING’S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2014 EDITION, AS THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. – 1st reading

Mayor:

Mayor Bowman distributed copies of the latest copy of the quarterly newsletter.

The Wood County Mayor’s Association will hold their annual dinner at the American Legion Riverview Banquet Center in Pemberville on Wednesday, January 29 at 6pm. The Village will pay for the dinner of any Council member who would like to attend. Please let Stephanie know by Friday if you are attending and if you would prefer chicken or steak.

Mayor Bowman explained that Mr. Zimmerman’s case has now been dismissed temporarily since two cases of child endangerment charges have been filed.

Mayor Bowman explained he has received a request to hold the Third Annual Pancreatic Cancer Research 3 Mile Walk in remembrance of Robert Kohring. This would be held the Sunday after the fair from noon to 3pm. Cox moved and Opelt seconded to allow the walk. Rothenbuhler asked Chief Darling if he had any objection to this. Chief Darling said he did not. Motion passed unanimously.

AMP, Inc. is offering Power Certification Training either through live or recorded session. Mayor Bowman explained if council members were interested they should contact Stephanie.

Rothenbuhler:

Rothenbuhler explained that Personnel Committee discussed reimbursement process for boots and cold weather gear for employees. Their recommendation is to remain with \$75 rolling two year (24 month) basis for boots but increase the cold weather gear to \$100 rolling yearly (12 month) basis. These purchases would have to be approved by either the BPA or the Street Committee prior to purchase. They are also recommending a formalization of the process. A sample form was distributed. The process and form were discussed. Changes to the form were made. Rothenbuhler moved that effective January 1, 2014 reimbursement for boots will be \$75 on a rolling 24 month period and reimbursement for cold weather gear will be \$100 on a rolling 12 month period. All purchases must be approved by either the BPA or the Street Committee prior to purchase. Reimbursement request form must be submitted within 30 days of purchase.

Purchase procedures are still being discussed.

Rothenbuhler explained that the Village has up to 4 employees that could be eligible for medical insurance coverage next year due to changing legislation. Long suggested that the Village needs to look at whether the need is there to have these employees as full time. Rothenbuhler will discuss this with the committees in question and then with Finance committee to see if funding is available.

Campbell:

Bowe explained that she spoke with our insurance company and we are moving forward with the claim for the tailgate.

Long:

Planning Commission has discussed the need for additional members per Revised Code. It is to have 4 residents, 1 council member and the Mayor. Mayor Bowman explained he spoke with Solicitor Marsh this afternoon. Marsh said that an additional member of council on the Planning Committee does not negate the fact that that person is also a resident and therefore can hold the position as such. Long explained that Keith Madaras has volunteered to be on the Planning Commission. Mayor

Bowman appointed Keith Madaras as a member on Planning Commission. Commission is now Mayor Bowman, William Long, James Opelt, Ed Wozniak, David Miesmer, and Keith Madaras. Long thanked Stephanie Bowe for setting up for the last meeting and preparing a binder with the Zoning Ordinance in it to assist with committee discussions.

Opelt:

Opelt expressed appreciation for the Newsletter and thanked those that helped put it together. Mayor Bowman explained it was Deputy Fiscal Officer, Sarah Dyer who published it and the pictures from the Lighted Christmas Parade were by Chuck Frizzell. Mayor Bowman invited all Council members to contribute as they see fit. The calendar is also available on the Village website www.pemberville.org.

Opelt explained that his opinion is that the Mayor should be at the dinner and have his dinner purchased but that Council members should purchase their own dinners if they want to go.

Schuerman:

Schuerman explained she spoke with Vic Gable and since our cardboard recycling is larger than anticipated they will be supplying us with containers.

Guests:

Denny Henline explained there will be a community meeting on Monday, January 27, 2014 at 7pm at "Our Place" to discuss the cares and concerns about the up-coming school issue for a proposed new K-4 building. Henline encouraged Council members and the Mayor to attend. The meeting will be open to the public. Henline also commented on the flooding in Pemberville and the required flood insurance. He suggested check valves in drain lines to help alleviate some problems. Henline would like to build a mound behind the businesses to block the water from coming up into his business. Mayor Bowman explained that the area is in a Flood Plain and FEMA restrictions within flood plains have become even stricter since Hurricane Katrina. Therefore, what Henline is suggesting cannot be done due to those restrictions.

Henline then suggested heated sidewalks when replacing the sidewalks in the downtown area to eliminate shoveling.

February 22 at 7pm at the Riverview Banquet Center Eagle Way Hall of Fame will honor 3 people who have outstanding contributions to Eastwood School District and its community. Tickets are \$25 each. Henline invited the Mayor and Council to attend.

Campbell explained possible options for the Downtown Revitalization Project funding. Mayor Bowman explained the village does not qualify for grants because there are so many projects out there that are sewer or water related or the community is in greater need. Opelt asked how much the Village had decided to put towards the project when pursuing the grant. It was explained that \$60,000 out of Permanent Improvement was going to be used as matching funds. Opelt asked if there is cost for the project and was told the project was to be \$400,000.

Opelt encouraged Council to be proactive about the Elementary School. There was discussion on how to proceed.

Mayor Bowman adjourned the meeting at 8:28pm.