

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
July 1, 2014**

Mayor Bowman opened the July 1, 2014 council meeting at 7:00pm with a prayer and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present at the regular meeting of council was Campbell, Long, Opelt, Sautter, and Schuerman. Absent was Rothenbuhler. Others present were Russell Eby, Ed Wozniak, Nicole Long, Vic Schuerman, Solicitor Marsh, Chief Darling, and the clerk.

**Minutes:** Opelt moved and Sautter seconded to approve the June 17, 2014 regular meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Opelt moved and Schuerman seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$8,514.87. Motion passed unanimously. A copy of the 2015 estimate of revenues was distributed.

**Mayor:**

Mayor Bowman read letters received since the last council meeting.

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**From:** Jeremy Walston [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 01, 2014 5:20 AM  
**To:** clerk@villageofpemberville.org  
**Subject:** feral cat problem in Pemberville

To whom it may concern,

I'm a former resident of freedom township and an Eastwood high grad. My mother, Genevieve Walston, lives at 201 Main Street. I recently visited her and was surprised and rather disturbed to see that there were up to a dozen semi-wild house cats that belong to neighbors lounging about her property and defecating in her lawn and on her porch. She is very upset by this, but is too nice to say anything to the two neighbors who have all of these feral cats and now new kittens. Is there an ordinance in Pemberville that could be enforced to help her situation?

As you can imagine, its highly unpleasant to step in and smell cat feces in ones yard, especially when the cats are not yours. In addition, as a physician, I'm concerned that this is a public health issue with visible worms in the feces, and a high risk of toxoplasmosis from cat feces. Please let me know if there is anything that the town can do about this problem. Thanks in advance for your help.

Jeremy D. Walston, MD  
Raymond and Anna Lublin Professor of Geriatric Medicine  
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine  
Division of Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology  
Johns Hopkins Asthma and Allergy Center

**From:** mcowell [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 30, 2014 3:50 PM  
**To:** clerk@villageofpemberville.org  
**Subject:** To Mayor Bowman

The noxious weeds and tall grass have not been addressed at 810 West Front Street. The yard has been cut only one time this entire year, and only half of it was cut. Contrary to your directives to the village employees to come back out and cut the entire yard the first week of June, nothing has happened. The half that was cut is again some two feet high. The portion that was never cut is higher than that, and the large weeds against the house are over four feet tall. I also spoke with Wood County to find out how the progress is going on the house being torn down with grant money. They haven't put it out for bid, stating they are short handed. I respectfully request that this property be abated pursuant to the Village of Pemberville Ordinances, and would hope that you have been in contact with those in charge of the grant monies at the Wood County Planning Commission to ensure this doesn't miss the deadline for demolition. Thank you for your time, once again, in this !  
matter.

Mary A. Cowell

Mayor Bowman explained that there is debris in the lawn that makes it difficult to mow. Bourdo and Lenke went out today to mow the property. Solicitor Marsh explained that he does not know what is holding up the demolition project at 810 West Front Street. Solicitor Marsh explained his frustration with the length of this project. All that is required to move forward is to advertise for bids. Sautter will investigate the delay and inform council of her findings.

Campbell explained that he has attempted to work with Wood County who is supposed to be putting together a Feral Cat Committee. He has not received heard back from them yet but will continue to see if they can assist with Pemberville's issue. There was discussion on other possible options the village could investigate to assist with health and other numerous issues. There was discussion on passing legislation to give the police more power. Humane Ohio and Planned Pethood are two agencies that provide a way to get the cats spay or neutered. Council asked Mayor Bowman to forward the letter to the health department in the hope that they might understand the severity of the situation. Solicitor Marsh explained that the City of Bowling Green has a leash law for cats. He will send copies of Bowling Green's laws. Chief was asked to speak with the resident on Main Street to explain the village has received complaints and ask her to stop feeding the cats outside. Campbell will continue to investigate the Feral Cat Committee.

The Water Consumer Confidence Report was sent out in June.

Mayor Bowman distributed copies of the liability waivers for the free firewood in Oberhouse Park. An announcement will be posted in the Sentinel Tribune.

### **Campbell:**

Campbell explained that since a property near the Pine Street extension is for sale the village has been approached by the realtor to see if the Village would be interested in developing the road from College Avenue to Martin Avenue. Solicitor Marsh will look into what the type of ownership the Village has or would need.

### **Long:**

Long presented new quotes for the Public Restrooms which included an escape if loss of electricity or need to get out after hours. Opelt moved and Campbell seconded to move forward with the new quote at a cost of \$1652. Motion passed unanimously.

Preliminary subdivision plot was submitted for Pember Grove. This was distributed to the following departments for their review and comments – Police, Fire, Utilities, Zoning, and Streets. Their comments will be discussed at the next Planning Commission meeting.

The Village received a request from Max Long, The Union Bank, to install a concrete slab for a generator. This request is similar to the request to build the flood wall that council was required to pass an Ordinance for an easement. Solicitor Marsh recommended that the same procedure be used again this time where the bank submit their requirements and the Village can move forward from there. Council agreed to this. Long will communicate Council's decision to have another easement and their desire for the bank to submit their suggested easement. If this can be done with approvals by Solicitor Marsh before the next meeting, an Ordinance can be brought to the Council meeting.



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June 13, 2014

Pemberville Village Planning Commission  
Attention: Mayor Gordon A. Bowman  
115 Main Street  
Pemberville, Ohio 43450

Re: Installation of Concrete Slab  
for placement of a Natural Gas Generator

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With the recent flood it became apparent that the flood wall worked as designed. There were a couple of items that came to light during this event and we are addressing those items. One item we are requesting from the Village is to be able to install a concrete slab outside our flood wall to the west side of the existing flood wall. This will allow us to install a natural gas generator and be prepared should we lose power during a flood and still be able to run our electric sump pumps.

This natural gas generator is designed to run all our sump pumps, lighting and outlets in the basement. The size of the concrete slab would be 38 x 38 x 48 with a 16 inch footer. The contractor plans to tie the new slab into the existing wall.

I have included a picture that will show approximate placement of the concrete slab in relation to the flood wall. The concrete slab will be approximately the height of our existing flood wall.

We would appreciate your committee reviewing and approving this request.

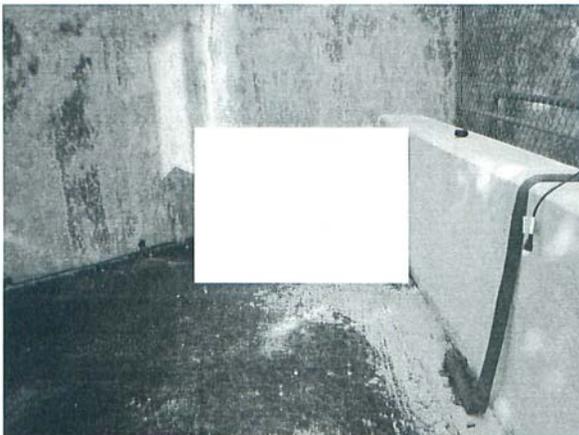
Should you have any questions, please contact me at 419-879-9623 or by e-mail at [mlong@theubank.com](mailto:mlong@theubank.com).

Please advise us as to our next step.

Sincerely,

Max E. Long  
VP/Facility Manager  
The Union Bank Company

enclosure



**Sautter:**

At the BPA meeting, Fiscal Officer Bowe presented options for rate changes.

**Schuerman:**

Tennis Courts are finished and nets are back up. Campbell questioned if there was a warrantee with the work.

**Other:**

The Police Report was distributed.

Fiscal Officer Bowe explained that T-shirts are being ordered. If anyone is interested, please let Stephanie know by noon on Wednesday, July 9. The cost is \$6.99 for short sleeve and \$9.99 for long sleeve (plus \$2 for 2x and larger sizes). Money will be collected when the shirts are delivered.

Mayor Bowman adjourned the meeting at 7:41pm.