

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING
September 16, 2014**

Mayor Bowman opened the September 16, 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 Rothenbuhler, Campbell, Long, Opelt, Sautter and Schuerman. Others present were Nicole Long, Ed Wozniak, and the clerk.

Minutes: Opelt moved and Long seconded to approve the September 2, 2014 regular meeting minutes. Motion passed with a 4/5 vote. Sautter abstained was not present for regular meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Opelt moved and Sautter seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$1,827.73. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1526 – ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1515, SECTION 3, CONCERNING THE FISCAL OFFICER 2nd reading

ORDINANCE 1527 – ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RESURFACING OF STATE ROUTE NUMBER 105 WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY – 2nd reading

Mayor stated that he spoke with a representative over at the ODOT office and this can go through the normal procedures with three readings and meet their time table. Therefore, do not need to pass as an emergency.

RESOLUTION 734 – RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR– 1st reading

Opelt moved and Schuerman seconded to suspend the rules. Motion passed unanimously. Rothenbuhler moved and Long seconded to pass Resolution 734. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor:

Mayor reported that the grant request was completed and submitted on time to the engineers office. The review of those documents will take place Tuesday, Sept 23rd at 2:30 on the first floor of the county office building attached to the courthouse. Mayor reported he will be out of town and asked to have one or more of the council members go to represent the village.

Mayor made a reminder that the Historical Society will be putting on the picker's auction this Saturday, September 20th, behind the business district. Mayor stated that they are doing some advertisement and hope they have a good turnout.

Mayor was asked at the last council meeting to prepare a letter to Mr. Gardner, concerning the Bridge Street Bridge. Mayor stated he completed the letter to the Mr. Gardner asking for assistance to understand what responsibility the county has and if they have any continuing responsibility to handle all the bridges in Wood County and not just the ones that are a main through or rural part of the county. Mayor stated he had a conversation with the assistant Wood County engineer, John Mustric, who informed the Mayor that their position of the code in his terms is vague. Therefore, they would send it over to the Wood County Prosecutor who will look into it render an opinion; however, no date was given. In the meantime, the Mayor suggested to Mr. Gardner and Mr. Brown, if they could look into it and give us some clarity if they can. The Mayor welcomes anyone to read the letter if they would like too.

Mayor announced that there is a change in the Park and Recreation Committee meeting from September 22, 2014 to September 29, 2014 at 3:30pm.

Rothenbuhler:

Rothenbuhler stated that once all resumes were received, the members of personnel committee ranked the applicants for the Deputy Fiscal Officer position. Rothenbuhler scheduled two interviews with the two top candidates that stood out from all resumes received based on experience and education. Mayor, Sarah and Rothenbuhler meet with and interviewed the top two candidates today and left with a recommendation.

Campbell:

Campbell stated that leaf season is approaching and they are currently working on getting fall leaf machine ready. Campbell stated that we are working diligently to get price on salt. Campbell stated there are a lot of stories coming out of Morton Co. with stock piles and prices. That they had it set one way and have now begun fluctuating prices. Therefore, if worse comes to worse we can take less salt. Campbell stated that we had some left on our prior contract at the price we had last year but never had it hauled to town, which should have been ordered by June 15th and was not. In the meantime, we are currently waiting on what price they will set it at. However, we do have plenty to get us through for awhile.

Long:

Long announced that the Cemetery Committee is due for a meeting that they received a letter from a Kim Kaptain on behalf of her mother Miriam Kaptain, who is a previous resident and possibly still has family within Pemberville. Long stated that the letter was showing interest in possibly making some resources available to do some upgrades at the Pemberville Cemetery and included a list of suggestions and some ideas. Long stated he responded to the letter today and they will address this at the cemetery meeting set for October 7th at 6:30pm.

Long stated that BPA met last night. There were two primary functions on the table. One was the presentation of the Capital Improvement Plan Grant for South Water Plant. Basically they went through the application and scoring process and showed how they scored. Long's opinion was that due to the score being mid range chances of getting the grant are slim. Long stated we scored eighty-four and the anticipated threshold is in the lower to mid nineties and therefore, may have to explore other options. Long stated the second half of the meeting was the presentation by Roger Baker from URS actually detailing print by print the proposed plan that they put together for those changes. Long stated it was a very detailed review with some good information. Long states the South Water Plant is in desperate need of the renovations and encourages all the support when we can. Mayor informed all that he has a copy of the blueprints and are welcome to view.

Opelt:

Opelt commented that he understands there was a meeting with the School Board and it appears they are continuing to move forward with the current site for the new elementary school. Opelt suggests that we should keep this in the back of our minds of what might happen, what we should be doing or should be thinking about with an empty school building if their plans continue to move forward. There was discussion with the members as to the many benefits the building would have to the community if it should be made available verses being torn down, as well as the disadvantages monetarily. Mike Marsh commented and stated that if the building is not feasible to the Village and if the land should be given back to the Village that it would be in the Villages best interest to let the building be torn down by the school since there is grant money made available for the demolition.

Sautter:

Sautter reported that the mayor was present at the BPA meeting last night and asked the Board of Public Affairs if they would approve to cover the cost difference in the leak detection of the pool. BPA agreed to cover up to \$1000 of the leak detection.

Sautter announced that there will be a Tree Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 9, 2014 at 5:00pm located in at Town Hall.

Schuerman:

Schuerman questioned Eric on the area that was tar and chipped on Rees Rd. quoting the prior meeting minutes that "he was quoted \$2,500 for roughly 703' which is the distance from the western edge on Rees Rd of the village corporation limits to the vicinity of the walking trail." Schuerman stated that they had stopped in by Hirzels' property by the field they did not go to the walking trail. Campbell explained that he stated "within the vicinity of the walking trail" and didn't say they would go over that. Campbell explained it was discussed with Kent, Mr. Gerkin and himself and that they all agreed it would be better to go over the cracks that are on the walking trail with asphalt so they don't come back through, which they would do if it was tar and chipped. Campbell also stated that he said specifically that the tar & chip would end at the seam in front of Hirzels as they have in the past and he apologizes if he misspoke. Nothing will be done in that area unless funds are available to do so.

Other:

Long asked the Mayor if there was any new development on the communication tower that he can take back to the Planning Commission when they meet tomorrow. Mayor stated that he modified the letter of intent to include the lease and purchase and that the Communication Company was currently evaluating the site to see if it meets their needs and the Mayor has not spoken to them since. Mayor also stated that the company was hired by Verizon and that they had sited thirty communities to put these towers and felt the \$50,000 was a doable price. He also stated that they would be flexible with either a lease or purchase however; they are not going to be flexible on the amount being offered under a purchase or lease. There was discussion as to the pros and cons of having the tower within the Village and on the purposed land of 100' by 100' space just to the north of the existing sheds that are on the Stein property also known as North West Park.

It was recommended that a Special Meeting be scheduled to hold second interviews with council for the two candidates for the Deputy Fiscal Officer position.

The police report was distributed.

Mayor Bowman adjourned the meeting at 8:03pm.