

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING
July 21, 2015**

Mayor Bowman opened the July 21, 2015 council meeting at 7:00pm with a prayer and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present as the regular meeting of council was Rothenbuhler, Campbell, Opelt, Sautter and Schuerman. Others present were Ed Wozniak, Nicole Long, Adam Freeman, Don Pisula, Nick Pisula, Russell Eby, Gene Steele and the Clerk.

Minutes: Schuerman moved and Opelt seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed 4/5 vote. Rothenbuhler, yes; Campbell, No; Opelt, yes, Sautter, yes; Schuerman, yes.

Treasurer's Report: Rothenbuhler moved and Campbell seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$21,289.47. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1538 – ORDINANCE ACCEPTING ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY COUNTYLINE CO-OP, INC. 2nd Reading

Opelt moved Rothenbuhler seconded to suspend the rules. Motion passed unanimously. Opelt moved and Sautter seconded to pass Ordinance 1538. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1539 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE RESURFACING AND ENHANCEMENT OF STATE ROUTE 105 THROUGH THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1ST Reading

Opelt moved and Schuerman seconded to suspend the rules. Motion passed unanimously. Opelt moved and Sautter seconded to pass Ordinance 1539. Motion passed unanimously.



WHEREAS: the Social Security Act was signed into law by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt on August 14, 1935, establishing the beginnings of a new social insurance system that today protects families against income loss due to retirement, disability, or death of an income provider and assists in meeting some of the medical expenses of the elderly and long-term disabled; and

WHEREAS: the Social Security program is the cornerstone of economic protection on which workers can build additionally through pensions, insurance, savings, and other income towards a comfortable retirement; and

WHEREAS: over 2.2 million Ohio residents receive over \$2.7 billion monthly through some type of Social Security benefits; and

WHEREAS: most people think of retirement as something far off in the distant future often leading them to think "someday I'll get around to making plans for retirement." However, at each stage of your life, my Social Security is for you. Your personal online my Social Security account is a valuable source of information beginning in your working years and continuing throughout the time you receive Social Security benefits; and

WHEREAS: opening a my Social Security account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount is safe, convenient, and secure. You can access your Social Security Statement, review your earnings, and get estimates of future retirement, disability, and survivor benefits you or your family may receive; and

WHEREAS: if you already receive Social Security benefits, you can use your account to manage those benefits, get an instant benefit verification letter, change your address and phone number, and start or change direct deposit of your payment.

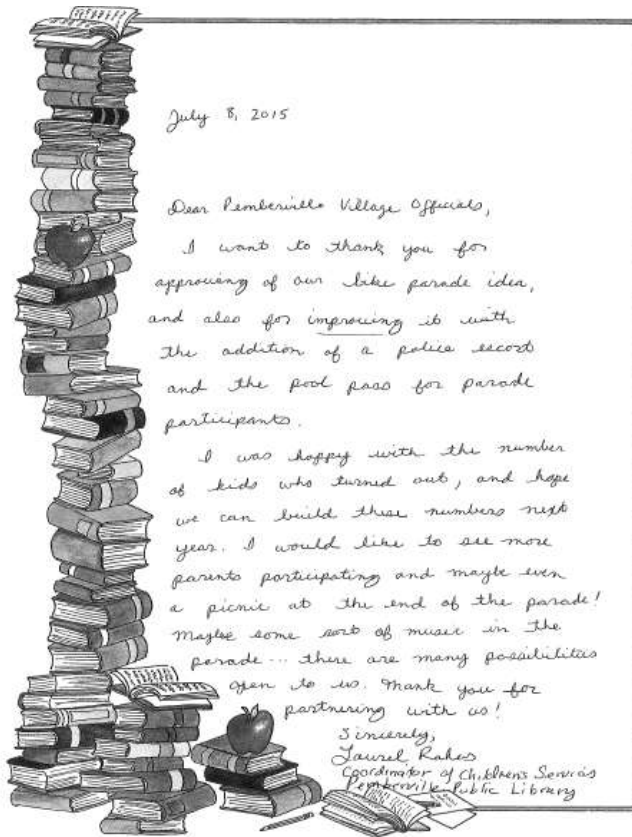
NOW THEREFORE, I, Gordon Bowman, by the virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Village of Pemberville, and on behalf of the Village Council and our citizens, do hereby proclaim the week of July 19 – 23, 2015 to be my Social Security Week in the Village of Pemberville in honor of the 80th anniversary of the signing of the Social Security Act.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of Pemberville, Wood County, Ohio this 19th day of July.

Gordon A. Bowman, Mayor
Village of Pemberville

Mayor:

Mayor read two letters before making his report.
The letters are included below:



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Pemberville Village Council
115 Main St.
Pemberville, OH 43450

July 7, 2015

Mayor Bowman, Council President Rothenbuhler & Pemberville Village Council,

I emailed Randy Rothenbuhler several months ago inquiring about work on economic developments in Pemberville. He said basically nothing has happened for the last 2 years.

I am under the assumption the new housing development is moving forward. If we want to attract young professionals to our community when these lots go up for sale, we need to start working now to revitalize our business base. We have deep roots with an excellent school system, an active Historical Society, PIMA, American Legion, Auxiliary and Sons, local fire and police departments, and other outstanding organizations. I feel strongly about getting our business base growing from these roots. I would like to see Council establish an Economic Development Committee of creative and experienced citizens to tackle tough issues. Things that need to be addressed are bringing in small businesses and investors, keeping a pulse on available properties, and working with Eastwood on the potential development of Pemberville Elementary School. I am glad to hear Council has heard from at least one professional on potential uses of the elementary school.

I found Denny Henline's business advertisement in *The Press* looking for entrepreneurs to invest in Pemberville's business community encouraging, but is not in any way connected with the village.

Wade Gottschalk, Executive Director of the Wood County Economic Development Commission, has given me some great tips on encouraging new businesses. While we are not talking about a Walmart or even fast food chains, local businesses can be nurtured through an Economic Development Committee.

We all want to see Pemberville be a thriving place where community means something. I call this to your attention for the general good of the village because we are all connected in this community: residents, businesses and the government. While business growth would contribute to village tax income, it more importantly would add to the quality of life of Pemberville residents.

Sincerely,

Brian Myers

Brian Myers
303 W. Front St.
Pemberville, OH 43450

Mayor stated we are all vitally interested in the development of businesses and the community and have been working diligently for years and continues to encourage individuals and companies to come to Pemberville which has not been easy to do. Mayor stated that there are numerous things going on right now including working very hard to complete the street resurfacing project which will include the installation of new catch basins, new sidewalks, and lighting in our downtown, new cellular tower, upgrading of the South Water Plant, the annexation of CountyLine's ten acre parcel, re-roofing of Town Hall roof, elevator project, pool liner project, Memorial project planned with our friendship village, and disagrees that we have not been doing anything. Opelt explained that he felt what Mr. Myers was referring to is our downtown businesses which have not been doing well for a while. Mayor stated that it is difficult to do with an owner that has let his properties deteriorate making it unappealing. Rothenbuhler stated that he wanted to explain that what he meant by not having done anything in two years, he was referring to an Economic Development Committee.

Mayor reported that Capital Telecom has requested their own address for the cellular tower. Mayor stated he worked with Wood County Auditor and the United States Postal Service and have issued them with an address. Mayor stated that Capital Telecom is asking council to affirm that the property in which construction will take place is in fact zoned M-1 Commercial. Clerk stated the zoning inspector Brian Heestand confirmed the zoning as M-1 Commercial at the time the zoning certificate was approved. Schuerman moved and Rothenbuhler seconded to affirm that property 3638 Rees Rd. where Capital Telecom is to construct their cellular tower is in fact zoned M-1 Commercial. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor reported that he and his wife recently returned from their trip to Germany. Mayor stated that every five years there has been some type of recognition of the Villages friendship agreement and this year is the 20th Anniversary and he was able to visit Germany with the highlight of the trip meeting the Mayor of Rodinghausin. Mayor stated there was an exchange of gifts and Pemberville was presented with a desk plaque, water color painting of the Stone Watch Tower that sits on the ridge north of Pemberville, book on the history of Rodinghausin, and a bottle of schnapps that is produced right in Rodinghausin. Mayor stated that due to the 20th Anniversary he has formed a committee that will be placing a stone at the corner of Front and Main St where the sidewalks meet and will be named Rodinghausin Point.

Mayor reported that Karen Young contacted him on behalf of her church, Sonfire by the River and as a community event they would like to sponsor a recycle day in conjunction with the Eastwood Band Booster and take items they do not take such as paint cans, oil, tires, etc. Mayor stated this would be a one day event sometime this fall, either is September or October. Mayor stated they would collect these items behind the church in the parking area. Mayor asked if there was any objections and if none he would let her know she can move forward.

Mayor presented the Wood County Community Development Block Grant Agreement for the elevator project and asks council to approve him to sign the agreement. Mayor explained that he has Mike Marsh look it over and had no objections to him signing the agreement. Mayor explained the agreement is for the elevator project and that the primary amount of funds is coming from the federal government and that Dave Steiner is overseeing the entire project and the funding and the agreement acknowledges this. Sautter moved and Schuerman seconded to approve the Mayor to sign the Wood County Community Development Block Grant Agreement. Motion passed unanimously.

Rothenbuhler:

Rothenbuhler reported that personnel met tonight and they discussed the announcement of the Electrical Superintendent retirement in two years and will be looking to hire someone as an apprentice to work alongside John Lockard until he retires. Rothenbuhler stated that they will be talking to Mike Marsh about posting the job and to see what he may suggest as a job description.

Rothenbuhler reported that the personnel committee is moving forward at investigating more thoroughly a wellness program, in particular based on a few employees and observers; it is believed that our employees could potentially benefit from the smoking sensation program. Rothenbuhler stated that he will check with our current insurance broker to see if there are some programs out there or if we need to look at a more encompassing wellness program. Rothenbuhler stated there will be more to come later and they will go from there.

Rothenbuhler stated that on behalf of the Finance Committee they are ready to make the first transfer of income tax funds to the General Fund and Permanente Improvement Fund. The Income Tax Fund will distribute the first transfer for 2015, per Ordinance 1402 in the amount of \$200,000. The allocation will be \$150,000 into the General Fund and \$50,000 to the Permanent Improvement Fund with the special designation of \$25,000 to the Sewer Capital Improvement Fund and \$25,000 to the Water Capital Improvement Fund.

Campbell:

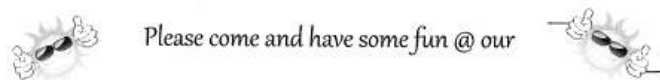
Campbell stated that as requested by council they did have a town hall meeting concerning the State Route 105 project and it was very positive and calm. Campbell stated there were a lot of interested people but didn't get a whole lot of feedback and thinks it was well received.

Campbell stated that he has a proposal to tar and chip Perry Street extension and would like to get it completed before winter in the amount of \$6,180. Campbell stated this has been sitting here for a while and would like to get this done. Campbell stated that he is aware there are some potential minor jobs that need to be done from water brakes but there is not a lot of them this year. Campbell stated that he is looking at potentially quiting those out separately and letting Bergman do them when they come to town. Therefore,

Campbell would like to make a motion to approve \$6,180 to tar and chip Perry Street extension. Rothenbuhler asked for discussion. Rothenbuhler asked if this was bided out, was this the only bid we received or were there multiple bids on it. Campbell replied this was the only bid we received due to the fact there are not many companies doing tar and chip. Campbell stated that last year Wooda looked at it and said they would not touch it and for there are two other contractors that verbally have stated they are no longer bidding jobs for Pemberville. Campbell stated he has not been able to get to the bottom of why they will no longer do bids. Rothenbuhler asked that as far as projects, is this going to eat up a significant amount of the streets budget this year? Campbell stated he wouldn't consider it significant; it is a pretty minor job. Rothenbuhler asked that as far as other jobs, he knows that it has been discussed in the past about having the Street Department and Committee rank those projects in order of priority, is this one of the higher projects on that list? Campbell replied that this has been on the docket for a very long while and we need to get it done so it can be cleared off and move on to the next projects and understood there is concern over a larger project that he, Bill and Jeff are currently working on so they can have a more regimented process within the budget. Campbell stated that if it is expected that paving of many streets will probably not happen to the best of everyone's concern. Schuerman stated that today she drove the route for the race and since it is an evening race she was concerned about pot-holes and on Water St. she counted ten places that needs some filling in, three on State Route 105, one on Pine around the manhole cover, and Hickory St, and College are okay. Schuerman would like to see this get done; especially Water St. Campbell assured council that is would be done before the fair. No further discussion on Campbell's motion. Motion failed 3/2 vote. Campbell-yes; Rothenbuhler-yes; Opelt-no; Sautter-yes; Schuerman-no

Opelt:

Opelt reported that he had a garage sale and there were a lot of volunteers and items donated. The sale raised \$585.65 which was given to the Pool Liner Project Fund. Opelt stated that the fundraiser for the pool liner is now at \$11,164.65 and still have more individuals who have stated they will be donating. Opelt handed out a flyer for the next fundraiser event for the pool liner. Flyer attached below:



Please come and have some fun @ our

Summer's Last Blast

Saturday, August 22, 2015



- 9am → 12noon @ Pemberville Fire Dept.
- Browse our **Bake Sale** while you wait for your clean car or truck



- 6pm → 8pm @ The Pemberville Pool
- Swimmers will collect pledges for laps/time in the pool
- Cash Prizes for the top 3 donations collected



- 8pm → 10 pm @ The Pemberville Pool
- Float in the pool and enjoy a movie on the big screen
- Hot Dog, Chips & a drink provided with admission

- For additional information and to receive swim-a-thon pledge forms email jimpamiller@frontier.com or jopelt1@frontier.com

- Sponsored in part by Thrivent Financial

Proceeds go to the Pemberville Pool Liner Project

Opelt reported that we are still collecting food for Humane Ohio and asks that everyone bring in a least one bag of cat or dog food and to spread the word to your neighbor and friends. Opelt stated that the trapping has begun and it will be a long process.

Sautter:

Sautter reported from two BPA meetings since council last met. Sautter reported that BPA has talked with James Smith the gentleman who farms a field where they also sludge and informed him that we will be using the field next year and asked him to hold off on any fall or spring planting.

Sautter reported that during the last flooding the pumps kept up very well and the department was pleased with how well the system did.

Sautter reported that North West Water Sewer District met with Landry Sheets to talk about the school and proposed dedicated line, the potential path, how it would be receive once in town, and where to meter.

Sautter reported that BPA is currently seeking quotes on storm basins on the outside of downtown area on both sides.

Sautter stated that County Line is currently looking at the cost of adding the sewer and water to the new location.

Sautter reported that BPA talked about the backflow and that there is an ordinance in place that requires businesses to have a backflow and to have it inspected yearly. Sautter stated that EPA has added new regulations to the current requirements. Sautter stated that Nathan Schultze is educating himself more on the issue. Sautter stated that homeowners are on the list however, they are on the very bottom of the list. Sautter stated that if a homeowner does any work pertaining to water, that would be a good time to install a backflow if not already one in place.

Sautter reported on the status of the South Water Plant. Sautter stated that Rob with AECOM formally URS and the same company that Roger Baker worked for and put the original plan together, has proposed to build a new structure for all the proposed improvements. Sautter stated that the committee stated they wanted to move forward with the plans Roger Baker originally put together that they are ready to move forward. EACOM would like to put together a second option. BPA stated that they would explore the option however; the cost has to be much lower before they would even consider.

Sautter reported that the new water rates have had their final reading and will be implemented on the next utility bill.

Sautter complimented the playground where the mulch was recently laid. She stated it looks very nice.

Schuerman:

Schuerman stated that she has been observing and been told about sidewalks needing repaired. Schuerman would like to see this get done and encourage others to repairs as well.

Schuerman stated that there are people still blowing grass clippings into the street and what can we do to stop this from continuing. Campbell stated letters are being given however; it has been a long term issue. Mayor stated some don't understand or care what the rules are. Mayor stated that grass clippings get caught up in the catch basins and then does not allow for any water to flow through which could potentially contribute to flooded areas.

Schuerman mentioned that she thought the Shelter House roof is leaking. Mayor stated that he spoke to Jeff and Matt and they did not believe that to be the case. Schuerman said she took a picture of the area but forgot her camera. Schuerman stated that she will be more than happy to point out the area to Jeff and Matt.

Schuerman would like to go into executive session to discuss possible employee disciplinary action.

Guests:

Steele reported that he noticed Harrison Trucking had been using Bierley as a cut through even though it is posted at both ends of town. Steele stated he spoke to the Chief about it and since then he has not seen them.

Steele discussed a report on a study done about subdivisions in another area of Ohio and the potential flooding effect it could potential have. Steele stated there was a lot of information in the study and will make copies for those who wish to have one.

Adam Freeman asked if Pemberville has a Community Watch Program. Mayor responded that they had tried to develop one however; it died from its own neglect due to the lack of volunteers. Freeman then asked about our Police Department and when are they on call, how many officers are there, how many cars and do we work hand and hand with Wood County Sheriff. Chief Darling replied that the Police Department is budgeted for 16 hours in a day and about ninety percent of the time they make that, there are two police cruisers, six paid officers, five auxiliary officers and when Pemberville is not on duty then the Wood County Sheriff does respond to Pemberville calls.

Nick Pisula addressed council about numerous concerns with mowing village property and who is or is not responsible, businesses and changes that would help improve downtown and his concerns with the safety issues that he has brought before council in the past.

Schuerman made a motion to go into executive session Opelt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bowman adjourned the meeting at 8:54pm.