

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING
April 2, 2019**

Mayor Bowman opened the April 2, 2019 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 Rahe, Angel, Bailey, Long, and Yaniga. Others present were, Joanne Busdeker, Gene Steele, Eileen Schuerman, Eric Campbell, Tom Mauk, Ed Wozniak, Joshua Jacobs, David St. Louis, and the Clerk.

Mayor:
Mayor wanted to address the open council seat before going into the agenda. Rahe stated that council met with 7 candidates and had good discussion. Rahe stated that her top 2 choices are St. Louis and Jacobs. Long agrees with Rahe as well. Bailey also. Yaniga asked council how important it was to have a seasoned veteran of council to someone who is fresh and new. Discussion ensued as to the candidate for the open council seat. Mayor asked for council's recommendation for the open council seat. Angel moved and Yaniga seconded to appoint David St. Louis to council. Motion passed unanimously. Mayor swore in David St. Louis after the approval of the minutes and bill listing. Mayor stated that David St. Louis will take over the committee seats the Opelt held while on council.

Minutes: Rahe moved and Bailey seconded to approve the minutes from the March 19th meeting. Motion passed 4/5 vote. Rahe-yes; Bailey-yes; Long-yes; Yaniga-abstain; Angel-yes.

Treasurer's Report: Long moved and Yaniga seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$2,720.75. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1586: ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED FUNDS. 1ST Reading

Mayor:
Mayor stated that they will be interviewing two candidates for the assistant pool manager position.

Rahe:
Rahe welcomed David St. Louis to council.

Finance Committee: Rahe stated that the police department is in need of a new laptop for the cruiser. The current laptop is being held together with duct tape and electrical tape. Rahe stated that the Chief had looked into an iPad. However, the cost was close to \$3,500 and currently there are no new grants available at this time. Therefore, Chief had done some research on laptops and would like to purchase a new HP for \$499. Rahe moved and Angel seconded to allow the police Chief to purchase a new laptop for the police cruiser. Motion passed unanimously.

Street Committee: Rahe stated that the next street meeting will be April 10th at 4:00pm.

Angel:
Angel congratulated David St. Louis. Angel also wanted to publically show his appreciation to Mr. Opelt. Angel stated that Mr. Opelt helped him a lot while running for the council seat and is very thankful for all of his help and advice.

Bailey:
Congratulated David St. Louis.

Bailey would like council to think about a better way for the village to communicate with the residents. She would like them to consider a Facebook page. She has recently learned that the page can be set up with the comment section turned off that way the page can be used strictly for informational purposes only. In addition, Bailey would like council to talk to Rus Eby about giving the village website a new overhaul. Bailey stated that the website needs to be updated and would like council to consider that as well. Long stated that he supports both.

Long:
Long stated that now that Mr. Opelt's seat has been filled he would like council to be prepared to discuss the solicitor position at the next council meeting. Long stated there are many items coming up that will need a solicitor's involvement. Mayor will provide the information to St. Louis so that he can learn about the potential candidates. Yaniga asked if

council had pros and cons for keeping the solicitor local. There was discussion as to some of the concerns but have been reassured that council does have the choice to remove a solicitor should they feel it necessary.

Pember Grove: Long stated that there have been some back and forth over the sanitary and water lines between the two engineers. Long stated that our engineer has requested changes and Oberhouse engineer stated that the changes are not necessary. Feller Finch has not placed an approval on the plans in question and therefore have submitted a portion of the plans to EPA in hopes to give some clarity.

BPA: Long stated that EPA now requires backflows for all commercial properties. Long stated that 90% have been compliant. Long stated that these have to be completed by May 1st before the EPA comes in on June 1st.

Long stated that the water break spoil pile has been removed and the new location will be at the sewer plant.

Long stated that the waterline loop easement has been signed.

Long reported that there are currently some issues at the electrical substation that requires some repairs and the current quote is \$1.1 million.

St. Louis:

St. Louis thanked council for their support and is looking forward to learning and working with everyone.

Yaniga:

Tree Committee: Yaniga stated that the Tree Commission met regarding the tree planting on Oak Street and have tried reaching out the property owner numerous times with no response and the committee has decided that since the location is on village property they will be planting a new tree where the one was removed. Yaniga stated that this year's Arbor Day will be held at the local preschool. Lastly, Yaniga stated that the Tree Survival School was held this past week at the Rees Rd. property where 22 individuals attended and 6 trees were planted in the far north corner.

Flood Committee: Yaniga stated that the Flood Committee met on March 16th and they discussed the emergency point of contacts and had decided that they will be the police chief, fire chief, mayor and the township trustee president.

CodeRed: Yaniga stated that we still are waiting for a contract from Wood County regarding the CodeRed system. Yaniga stated that Chief Darling will be the main point of contact.

Guest:

Gene Steele: Steele spoke to the TMACOG meeting that was held today. Steele stated they spoke about the Lake Erie Bill of Rights. Steele touched on some other items that were discussed at the meeting.

Disposal of trees at Oberhouse Park, Steele spoke briefly on the removal of the dead trees at Oberhouse Park.

Steele suggested that someone else write the contract between the new solicitor and the village.

Mayor Bowman adjourned the meeting at 8:30 P.M.