

PLEASANT HILL VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
February 3, 2004
MINUTES

Mayor Gary Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Roll Call: Paul Didier, Georgiana Weaver, Melinda Clark, Becky Phillis, Brenda Stephens, and Judy Barga. All present with the following guests present: Jamie Clark, Nick Diehl, Stan Fessler, Don Brining, Les Cohron, Norma Holsinger, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Vance, Terry Stephens, Kurt Bayer, Don Bayer, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Bayer, and Danny Turner. Others present were William Davis Police Chief, Paul Wagner Solicitor, Tony Fessler Fiscal Officer, and Bob Chaney and Jeff Derksen of the Service Department.

Judy moved to approve the January Regular and Special Meeting Minutes Brenda seconded. Roll Call: Judy, Brenda, Becky, Melinda, Georgiana, Paul all yes. Motioned carried.

Citizen's comments:

Norma Holsinger asked about the 718 project, which is schedule for 2007. Mayor said it was in the beginning stages. She also asked why the Monument is not decorated with wreaths for Christmas. Don Brining said it was considered a desecration of a monument under the State Law. William Davis also said the monument was not to have signs on it. Norma responded that many graves have wreaths on them, so she doesn't feel it desecrates the monument. Most all other citizens were there to express concerns about development projects in the village. The mayor presented the proposed plans to the Cochran's, Kosier's, and Poe's, about the detention ponds and drainage suggestions. Craig Mescher from Fanning and Howey arrived and explained the plans further. Craig proceeded to present and discuss the Piper Pine Development Plat Plans. If approved the construction plans will come within a year. The Village Planning Board had approved the final preliminary plans on Monday. Brenda moved to approve the Piper Pine Development Plat Preliminary Plan. Judy seconded. Roll Call: Brenda, Judy, Becky, Melinda, Paul, all yes. Craig then reported on the traffic study, which did not warrant a traffic light. He also stated that new school flashers would cost the village approximately 10 to 15 thousand dollars. Georgiana moved to Table the discussion on the traffic study. Judy seconded. Roll Call: Georgiana, Judy, Brenda, Becky, Melinda, Paul, all yes. Craig proceeded to discuss the long streak project, and the household income survey (which after taken should be good for a 3 year period) for grants. We will need to get back approximately 247 surveys out of the 440 households for all the Village projects. For CDBG grants and Issue 2 money, the median household income has to be below \$45,200 and currently the latest census shows income at \$45,700. Also, the Village utility rates must be 2.6% of the median household income of the Village in order to qualify for the Issue 2 money. The survey must be done by March for the Long Streak project.

Department Reports:

Since Bob was on vacation Jeff gave the report. The light and pedestrian lights at the school crossing on St. Rt. 48 may be installed in 2 to 3 weeks, weather permitting. Fall leaf pickup will begin soon and the times and procedures will be put in the Stillwater Advertiser on October 15th. The 1977 green dump truck is ready to be sold. Kory moved to put the sale of the 1977 dump truck out for bids in the Truck Trader. The specifications will be provided by the service department. The bids will be opened at the December 2nd Council meeting. Judy seconded. Roll Call: Kory, Judy, Becky, Brenda, Georgiana, Amy all yes. Motion carried. Becky was concerned that the school crossing on Monument and Long St. was as bad if not worse than the crossing on 48. The Mayor will check on what can be done for the crossing at Monument and Long Street such as flashing lights on Monument Street. Jeff reported that patching holes on the streets and alleys, and painting the curbs are still on the agenda weather permitting.

Bill passed around his monthly totals for the police department. The fire signal on 48 appears to be hanging low and Bob is waiting for a call from ODOT as to when it will get raised. There has been some concern over the school crossing at Maple and Monument so Bill will monitor it for a while. Officer Larry Snead has completed his six-month training and will now move up in his pay scale from \$8.00/hr to \$8.50/hr per policy and he has done a fine job. Bill has been checking on the dog problem that was brought before council a few months ago and now has pictures indicating at least 5 dogs at that location. Bill was concerned about rumors starting up again about Pleasant Hill being a speed trap, so he will try to squelch them by providing better reports to the public/council by recording the speeds on the speeding violations. Bill is again interviewing candidates for the part-time officer position but good candidates are hard to find. Bill's officers will again pass out candy to children on October 30th from 6:00 to 8:00pm for Halloween. Officers have been tagging a few vehicles that have not been moved for over 72 hours in an attempt to get them off the streets.

Paul reported that he had talked with the attorney for the Library Board but she wasn't aware that the Board had changed its position, so she is going to check with Sharon Bledsoe on the Library Board's desire to take over the funds. Paul is waiting for a reply. Meanwhile he will meet with a judge in a week or so, to go over the case. Paul has not heard anything from the Troy Library Board as to whether they are willing to be the trustees. Paul proceeded to present several changes he would like to see in the Maintenance Ordinance 975. He suggested changing who is considered the enforcer of the ordinance because of the cumbersome nature of it and the possible liability to the council members if the village is the enforcement body. The Mayor stated he would have no problem being the enforcement officer and he would provide council members beforehand with the same notification of property violations that he would be sending to the property owner. Paul's other change was to reduce the penalties. His suggestion was to have the first offense be a minor misdemeanor and the second and all subsequent violations will be a fourth degree misdemeanor and each day of violation is a separate offense. Council had no objections to making the changes. Kory moved the second reading By Title of Ordinance 975 Brenda seconded. Roll Call: Kory, Brenda, Becky, Judy, Georgiana, Amy, all yes. Motion carried.

Council discussed moving future Council meetings to the first Tuesday of each month beginning in December. The time will remain at 7:00pm. The meetings will be held in the Fire Department section of the building due to rearranging the current room in order to provide more confidentiality for the Clerk and privacy for citizens who come in with Village Tax issues.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Kory moved the third reading of Resolution 2003-09, certification of taxes to be levied in the Village of Pleasant Hill for 2003. Amy seconded. Roll Call: Kory, Amy, Georgiana, Judy, Brenda, Becky, all yes. Motion carried. Kory moved the final passage of Resolution 2003-09. Judy seconded. Roll Call: Kory, Judy, Amy, Georgiana, Brenda, Becky, all yes. Motion carried.

Kory moved the third reading of Resolution 2003-05 Prosecutors contract in the amount of \$1200.00 to Shipman, Dixon and Livingston for the year 2003. Brenda seconded. Roll Call: Kory yes, Brenda yes, Becky yes, Amy no, Judy yes, Georgiana yes. Motion carried. Kory moved the final passage of Resolution 2003-05. Becky seconded. Roll Call: Kory, Becky, Brenda, Amy, Judy, Georgiana all yes. Motion carried.

Brenda moved the first reading of Resolution 2003-12 by title for temporary appropriations for 2004. Judy seconded. Roll Call: Brenda, Judy, Georgiana, Amy, Kory, Becky all yes. Motion carried.

Brenda moved the first reading of Resolution 2003-13 by title the appointing of Tony Fessler as Clerk-Treasurer for 2004. Kory seconded. Roll Call: Brenda, Kory, Amy, Georgiana, Judy, Becky all yes. Motion carried.

Becky moved the first reading of Resolution 2003-14 by title for the solicitors contract for year 2004. Brenda seconded. Roll Call: Becky, Brenda, Judy, Georgiana, Amy, Kory all yes. Motion carried.

Mary reported that the traffic light was not listed on our insurance policy and therefore the insurance would not cover any of the cost to replace it.

Committee Reports:

Brenda presented the Halloween fliers and reported that the Newton Band will again participate in the parade. She is trying to get the school gym to have the judging of costumes inside. Brenda asked the council for some funds to purchase prizes and buy the candy for the police department to hand out. Kory moved to provide up to \$150.00 for Halloween expenses. Georgiana seconded. Roll Call: Kory, Georgiana, Amy, Judy, Becky, Brenda all yes. Motion carried.

Kory moved that we pay the bills. Amy seconded. Roll Call: Kory, Amy, Becky, Brenda, Judy, Georgiana all yes. Motion carried.

Tony reported that Mary and he would be attending a mandatory compliance meeting in Dayton tomorrow.

Becky moved to adjourn. Kory seconded. Roll Call: Becky, Kory, Amy, Georgiana, Judy, Brenda all yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Mayor/ Gary Johnston

Fiscal Officer/ Tony Fessler