

PLEASANT HILL VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 3RD, 2004
MINUTES

Mayor Gary Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. Roll Call: Paul Didier, Melinda Clark, Georgiana Weaver and Becky Phillis all present. Judy Barga and Brenda Stephens were absent (Brenda was on an EMS run). The following guests were present: Don Sleppy, Les and Shirley Cochran, Tim Johnson, Terry Stephens, Jamie Clark, Bryan Pfister, and Andy Schumacher. Others present were Larry P. Snead of the Police Department, Tony Fessler Fiscal Officer, Jeff Derksen Service Superintendent and Paul Wagner Solicitor.

Melinda moved to adopt the July 6th, 2004 Regular Meeting Minutes, Paul seconded. Roll Call: Melinda, Paul, Georgiana, and Becky, all yes. Motioned carried.

Citizens Comments:

Tim Johnson who lives at 200 South Main Street, reviewed the Exterior Property Maintenance Ordinance and would like it to be reconsidered. Also, the noise problem still exists and needs to be proactively enforced.

Don Sleppy presented a petition of 160 names requesting Village Council to pass a parking ordinance allowing private parking spaces for residents in front of their homes. Also, many residents expressed to him they would like to see the fire siren put back up for emergency situations.

Department Reports:

Jeff Derksen reported that Bob Chaney had been off several days due to a muscle pull in his back and therefore he was giving the report. They have been doing quite a bit of testing in the Ash Knoll property.

Larry P. Snead gave a summary of the Police department activities the past month. Larry reported that there are 2 runaway juveniles being looked for in the area and therefore there are several unmarked cruisers in our area. The light bars on the cruisers are not working properly and presented quotes for new light bars and lights on the cruisers. Georgiana moved to replace the light bars and the additional lights for both cruisers from John Walker for a cost not to exceed \$3416.80 with the funds coming out of the Police Levy, seconded by Paul. Roll Call: Georgiana, Paul, Becky and Melinda all yes. Motion Carried.

The Mayor reported that Nick Diehl resigned from the BPA. Georgiana moved to accept Nick's resignation since he moved out of the Village, seconded by Becky. Roll Call: Georgiana, Becky, Melinda and Paul, all yes. Motion Carried. The Mayor reported that the BPA asked for James Clark III be appointed to fill the vacant position. Paul moved to appoint James Clark III as a trustee to the BPA, seconded by Georgiana. Roll Call: Paul and Georgiana both yes, Melinda abstained and Becky yes, and the Mayor voted in favor to approve. Motion Carried 4-0-1. The Mayor proceeded to swear in Jamie Clark.

Don Sleppy reported that he believes several items of police equipment have come up missing like a bike and helmets.

Solicitor Paul Wagner reported that he had reviewed the deed and the prosecutor is now reviewing it for the Troy-Miami County Public Library Board. Paul did get the final order from Mike Evans and approved it. It will be submitted for Paul's, and the Attorney General's signatures so the judge can sign off and then the funds can be transferred and the Library situation should be wrapped up this month. The actual deeds will need to be signed by the Mayor and the Troy-Miami County Public Library to fulfill the purposes of the trust. Paul reported about Dave Wilson, from Kentucky,

who is trying to get his driver's license and wants to get the \$130.00 fine paid, Village Council will need to make a motion to the Miami County Municipal Court to have the case transferred to that court so a Judge can then sign the release and collect the fine and send the guy on his way. There is a cost to have this done and it is suggested to obtain the Mayor's Court Records so it can be transferred to the Court. The problem is finding the records for 1996. Paul reported that he did check into the Joint Fire District issues and the Ohio Revised Code section 505.371 talks about creation of and leaving a Joint Fire District and it discusses what you pull out of the agreement based on what you put in. Melinda moved to send a letter asking for the Joint Fire District to remove the pool table so it can be used as a meeting room, seconded by Becky. Roll Call: Melinda, Becky, Paul and Georgiana, all yes. Motion Carried.

Mayor reported on the progress of a Village siren being provided by a FEMA grant money for the Joint Fire District. Also, after a meeting with Georgiana and Dan Brandewie it is mutually agreed to reapply for \$50 to \$60,000.00 for the Long Street Project and delay it for a year.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Becky moved the First Reading by Title of Resolution 2004-14 Accepting the Certification of Tax Rates for Year 2004, seconded by Paul. Roll Call: Becky, Paul, Melinda and Georgiana, all yes. Motion Carried.

Becky moved the First Reading by Title of Resolution 2004-15 the Contract with Shipman, Dixon and Livingston Co., L.P.A. for Prosecutorial Services, seconded by Paul. Roll Call: Becky, Paul, Melinda and Georgiana, all yes. Motion Carried.

Becky moved the First Reading by Title of Resolution 2004-16 for Contract to Employ Paul Wagner as the Village Solicitor, seconded by Paul. Roll Call: Becky, Paul, Melinda and Georgiana, all yes. Motion Carried.

Georgiana moved the Second Reading of the Exterior Property Maintenance Ordinance 990, seconded by Paul. After much discussion the motion was withdrawn.

Brenda returned at 8:25p.m. and questioned why several of the Ordinances weren't being enforced by the Police Department. Larry P. Snead said he was waiting to run this by the County Prosecutor because he is concerned about whether the Police Department has jurisdiction to do that. The Mayor, Solicitor and Council were not pleased with that response and informed the Police Department to begin enforcing the Ordinances.

Brenda moved the Second Reading of the Exterior Property Maintenance Ordinance 990, seconded by Georgiana. Roll Call: Brenda, Georgiana, Paul and Melinda, all yes, Becky no. Motion Carried 4-1.

Committee Reports:

Paul moved to remove Ordinance 984 the Adult Business Requirements from further consideration, seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Paul, Melinda, Brenda, Georgiana and Becky, all yes. Motion Carried.

The Mayor reported on a meeting that Bob and he had with the Kosiers about the washed out beans and it can't be shown that anything the Village did caused their problem. The Mayor than reported that curb and gutter will be going in Ash Knoll in the next few days and asphalt will be laid next week. The detention pond is being worked on and the sewer pressure test, vacuum test of manholes and roll test of the streets, was being done to Village specifications. Any existing Streets that have been damaged by the contractors will be fixed at their expense.

Committee Reports:

Beautification – Brenda reported that Zane Fessler on his Eagle Project for Boy Scouts, was asking for the color of paint, reflective safety vests, adult supervision and equipment to install the East Entrance Sign for the Village. Bob and Jeff will be meeting with Zane and his mother to go over the

items the Village will be providing. Also, the concrete where the fountain was in the Park needs to be removed or the area needs to be built up so flowers can be planted.

Safety – Larry P. Snead reported that Joshua Arms has completed his 6 month probationary period and recommended confirming him as a Part-Time Officer of the Village. Georgiana moved to approve Joshua Arms as a Part-Time Policeman, seconded by Paul. Roll Call: Georgiana, Paul, Melinda, Brenda and Becky, all yes. Motion Carried.

Audit – They will be meeting on August 16th at 7:00p.m. in the Council room to review the Ordinance and prepare a report for Council.

Old Business:

The information about money collected by the former Police Chief William Davis, that was not ran thru the Village records, has been turned over to the Ohio Auditor’s Office and we are awaiting their reply. Also, Covington Savings and Loan has been informed about the issue and will be changing their controls on cashing checks to the Village.

New Business:

There were none.

Payment of Bills:

Melinda moved to pay the bills, seconded by Paul. Roll Call: Melinda, Paul, Becky, Georgiana and Brenda, all yes. Motion carried.

Brenda asked Jeff if they would be painting crosswalks since school will be starting soon and if the street sweeper was working. Jeff said the sweeper was working and they are planning to start painting soon.

Melinda moved to adjourn. Becky seconded. Roll Call: Melinda, Becky, Paul, Brenda and Georgiana, all yes. Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.

Mayor/ Gary Johnston

Fiscal Officer/ Tony Fessler