

PLEASANT HILL VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 1st, 2005
MINUTES

Mayor Gary Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:03pm. Roll Call: Paul Didier, Melinda Clark, Judy Barga, Georgiana Weaver, Becky Phillis and Brenda Stephens. The following guests were present Robert Gurklies and Anthony Scott (Keystone Homes). Others present were Tony Fessler Fiscal Officer, Larry P. Snead Police Chief, Bob Chaney Service Superintendent, Gary Johnston Mayor and Paul Wagner Solicitor.

Paul moved to approve the February 1st, 2005 Regular Meeting Minutes, Brenda seconded. Roll Call: Paul, Brenda, Judy, Melinda, Georgiana, and Becky all yes. Motioned carried.

Citizens Comments: There were none.

Department Reports:

Chief Snead presented the department monthly stats report and reported that the City of Piqua will be donating to the Police Department a laptop computer for our cruiser once they receive their grant for a new one. Larry reported that Officers have to be recertified each year at the ranges and Joshua and Crystal will be doing that next week.

Village Superintendent Bob Chaney reported that they have tried some new asphalt to fill in the potholes around town and if they don't hold they will patch with regular cold patch when the asphalt plants open back up. Bob will be putting an ad, about the cemetery cleanup, in the Stillwater Advertiser and on Channel 13 in the next few weeks. Bob explained why a Drinking Water Notification was sent out to all residents even though there was no problem with the safety of the water. Bob and Jeff are working on revising some of the cemetery rules and regulations and will present it to the council next month.

Mayor, Gary Johnston, reported that he had received a proposal from Covington Savings and Loan for the planning board, outlining what they would like to do for a drive up bank in the next few years. The Planning Commission will be meeting on Monday March 7th at 7:00pm to go over the Covington Savings and Loan plans. Gary also, reported on the February 8th meeting of the Planning Commission which granted a variance, to Keystone Homes, to allow 1400 square feet for living space instead of 1500 square feet due to the size of the lots. However, this doesn't change the standards for the Village. Also the Planning Commission was suggesting changes for sleeping rooms in residential areas, and prohibiting modular homes. Gary also added to take out boarding houses and related parking.

Tony Scott of Keystones Homes was present to explain why the variance on living space was needed and to inform Village Council that the corner lot on Ash Knoll and High Street was too small for any house and would probably be a grass lot or be sold to adjoining homes.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Judy moved the First Reading of Ordinance 1003 Amending Sections 150.012, 150.041, 150.046 and 150.159 of the Pleasant Hill Zoning Code, seconded by Paul. Roll Call: Judy, Paul, Brenda, Melinda, Georgiana and Becky all yes. Motion carried.

Ordinance 990 was tabled to the next meeting.

Committee Reports:

Mayor reported that the Joint Fire District is meeting on the 9th with the company who is supplying the Fire Truck the JFD is buying.

Brenda reported that the Park Board did meet and they came up with their wish list and should be able to obtain grants. However, they need to meet with Kenworthys and/or Ebberts to see how much more land the group can obtain before the Park Board can go much further.

Old Business:

Mayor had talked with Dan Brandewie, of the Miami County Planning and Zoning, and they are expecting to receive an application for a grant for Long Street and they are aware of the Village's need.

Mayor reported that the Village will receive about \$4,595.00 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) which is about 78% of the costs turned in for the recent snow removal. FEMA is still working with the JFD to get a new Fire Siren.

New Business:

Brenda moved to designate Brenda Krofft's title as the Village Income Tax Administrator reporting to the Mayor, seconded by Melinda. This was suggested by Solicitor Paul Wagner in order to provide a separation of duties and having a clear reporting process. Roll Call: Brenda and Melinda both yes, Judy no, Georgiana, Becky and Paul all yes. Motion carried 5-1.

Tony Scott gave a report on the homes that Keystone Homes are building in phase 2 of Ash Knoll. They bought 17 lots and only 7 are not spoken for. The homes start around \$150,000 and go up from there and there are basically 5 models and the smallest is 1455 square feet of living space and so far every home has a basement that is guaranteed to be dry for 10 years. He also invited Village Council to an open house on April 5th, 2005 before the Village Council meeting.

Payment of Bills:

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

Judy moved to adjourn seconded by Brenda. Roll Call: Judy, Brenda, Becky, Georgiana and Melinda all yes, and Paul no. Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm.

Mayor/ Gary Johnston

Fiscal Officer/ Tony Fessler