

PLEASANT HILL VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 14, 2005  
MINUTES

Mayor Gary Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm. Roll Call: Judy Barga, Brenda Stephens, Melinda Clark, Becky Phillis, and Georgiana Weaver present. Paul Didier was absent. The following guests were present Terry Stephens, Casey and Jamie Clark, Bob Gurklies, Mellisa Swanger, and Ron Reigelsperger Others present were Larry Snead Chief of Police, Joshua Arms Police Officer, Bob Chaney Village Superintendent, Tony Fessler Fiscal Officer and Gary Johnston Mayor.

Judy moved to approve the April 5th and May 4th (after minor corrections were made) regular meetings, May 18th special meeting and June 7th regular meeting minutes, seconded by Brenda. Roll Call: Judy, Brenda, Melinda, Becky and Georgiana all yes. Motion carried.

Citizens Comments: There were none at this time.

Department Reports:

Police: Chief Snead gave his report at the last meeting.

Village Superintendent Bob Chaney discussed Memorial Day preparations and the decorative situation at the cemetery. Ordinance 947 states that no decorations are to be on the ground. Bob and Jeff flagged and tagged the decorations at the cemetery that they felt were in violation of the ordinance. Items flagged were not on foundations. Nothing has been removed to this point. Council will research the cemetery rules and create a committee to go to the cemetery to review how the ordinance could be revised. The committee will consist of Brenda, Becky and Georgiana. Bob and Jeff have been painting the curbs and will continue on next month. Vectren has been repairing their potholes and the Village will repair the other potholes. The Village Superintendent has been getting quotes from three different paving companies for paving streets in the Village they are Wagner, Tycon and Patriot Paving. Bob will compile quotes and give to the council before next meeting. The street sweeper has not been running due to a major seal leaking and is scheduled to be repaired. Judy asked Bob to put some gravel in the alley going between Maple and Locust Streets.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Judy moved the Second Reading of Resolution 2005-05 Accepting the Annexation of 97.942 Acres, seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Judy and Melinda both yes, Brenda no, Becky yes and Georgianna no, Motion carried 3-2.

Judy moved the Second Reading by Title of Resolution 2005-06 The Village Annual Budget for Year 2006, seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Judy, Melinda, Brenda, Becky and Georgianna all yes. Motion carried.

Georgianna moved to have the Public Hearing on the 2006 Budget at 6:30 p.m. on July 5th, 2005 prior to the regular scheduled meeting at 8 West High Street, seconded by Brenda. Roll Call: Georgianna, Brenda, Judy, Melinda and Becky all yes. Motion carried.

## Committee Reports:

Recreation / Beautification - Brenda reported that the Community Park Board will try to meet the last Wednesday in June to discuss the possibility to purchase land for the park.

Safety - Georgianna reported that on June 3rd, a dog attacked a child (no injuries were sustained) on Long Street and the individuals could get no response from the Village Police Department and/or the Sheriff's Department. Also, the Humane Society would not address the situation. The concern is what should an individual do in this type of a situation and is the Village liable. There was also a concern as to whether the current Police Department was working the required hours and performing their duties. The Mayor pointed out that a boat has been parked on Church Street for several weeks and he had asked the Police Department to remove it but nothing has been done. Also, a car has been parked in front of a fire hydrant with no valid license and it has not been removed.

Paul Wagner arrived at 7:50 p.m.

Georgianna reported that the safety committee has been discussing areas in the Village that could be 4-way stops such as Brethren and High Street and Maple and High Street. Brenda moved to make a 4-way stop at Brethren and High Streets and Maple and High Streets, seconded by Georgianna. Roll Call: Brenda, Georgianna, Melinda and Becky all yes, Judy no. Motion carried 4-1. Judy moved to put a 4-way stop at Church and High Street, seconded by Georgianna. Roll Call: Judy, Georgianna, Becky, Melinda and Brenda all yes. Motion carried.

Melinda moved the First Reading by Title of Ordinance 1004 Making a No Parking on Williams Street from State Route 718 to Hill Street on both sides of the Street, seconded by Georgiana. Roll Call: Melinda, Georgianna and Becky all yes, Brenda and Judy both no. Motion carried 3-2.

Old Business:

New Business:

Melinda moved to participate in the Transitional WorkGRANT\$-EZ Program with Employer Resource Group as long as there is no cost to the Village, seconded by Brenda. Roll Call: Melinda, Brenda, Judy, Georgianna and Becky all yes. Motion carried.

Chief Larry Snead reported to the Village Council that if they want Police coverage during the day he would have to resign because of his other job.

Judy asked when the Village works with the State on Monument Street that maybe they could bury the electric lines that go to the Memorial Monument

Bob reported that Fanning and Howey is still looking into whether the Monument can be moved. Also, Judy suggested a pedestrian crossing on SR 48 at the Post Office. Bob was asked to check whether we can get a traffic light back up. Bob will also, post signs around the Village telling of the new 4-way stops.

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

Judy moved to adjourn into executive session at 8:39 p.m. to discuss the dismissal of police personnel, seconded by Becky. Roll Call: Judy, Becky, Melinda Georgiana and Brenda all yes. The Mayor and Fiscal Officer Tony Fessler were invited to the session.

At 9:13 p.m. Village Council ended the executive session.

Melinda moved to accept Chief Larry Snead's resignation effective 12:00 a.m. June 16th. Brenda seconded the motion. Roll Call: Melinda, Brenda, Judy, Becky, Georgiana all yes. Joshua Arms will now report directly to the Mayor for June 16th and 17th.

Brenda asked to have a special meeting with the Miami County Sheriff's Department regarding the police coverage of Pleasant Hill and it will be called by the Mayor as soon as he confirms a date with the Sheriff's Department.

Brenda moved to advertise for a Police Officer, seconded by Melinda. Brenda and Melinda withdrew their motion.

Melinda moved to enter into a contract with the Sheriff Department for police coverage for a period no longer than 60 days based on their June 10th letter which stated an hourly rate of \$26.59. This will be effective June 16th with the mayor having authorization to sign the contract. Motion was seconded by Judy. Roll Call: Melinda, Judy, Becky and Georgiana all yes, Brenda no. Motion carried 4-1.

Georgiana reported that 136 household surveys have been turned in for the Long Street Project and we need to have 275 so Council was asked to continue to gather the surveys.

Judy moved to adjourn, seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Judy, Melinda, Brenda, Becky, and Georgiana all yes. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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Mayor/ Gary Johnston

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Fiscal Officer/ Tony Fessler