

PLEASANT HILL VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2005  
MINUTES

Mayor Gary Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Roll Call: Georgiana Weaver, Becky Phillis, Brenda Stephens, Judy Barga and Paul Didier all present. Melinda Clark arrived a few minutes later. The following guests were present Jason Winner from Fanning/Howey, Robert 'Bud' Perry, Donna Favorite, Sheriff Department Deputy Slusher and Shawn Wherley. Others present were Bob Chaney Village Superintendent, Tony Fessler Fiscal Officer, Gary Johnston Mayor and Paul Wagner Solicitor.

Paul moved to approve the October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2005 regular meeting minutes, seconded by Judy. Roll Call: Paul, Judy, Georgiana, Becky and Brenda all yes. Motion carried.

Deputy Slusher from the Miami County Sheriff's Department was present to answer any questions and field concerns. Bob Chaney reported there was an abandoned car with expired plates sitting on North Street that needs to be addressed.

Citizens Comments:

Shawn Wherley asked Village Council if it was absolutely necessary that the tree on his property had to come down for the Long Street project. After some discussion it was decided to see how far back the construction contractors will need to go and the Council will look at all the trees on Long Street and make a decision at the next meeting. If the trees need to come down the landowners can take them down themselves.

Reports:

Jason Winner from Fanning/Howey Engineering reported that the County received 7 contractor bids for the Long Street project and 3 of them came in under the initial estimate of \$260000.00. The 2 lowest bids were from Tom's and Tumbusch, both were from the St. Henry area. The County is currently reviewing the bids and contractors references so they can decide on the lowest and best bid for the Village. Also the bidders gave 3 additional quotes for alternates 1, 2 and 3 that could be awarded if Village Council approves. Alternate 1 was to increase the thickness of the asphalt by an extra inch. Alternate 2 was to repave the surface only on Long Street from Hill Street to Franklin Street. Alternate 3 was added if alternate 2 is chosen because it will grind down the old asphalt along the gutter plates before new asphalt is applied. Brenda moved to inform the County to accept alternates 2 and 3 with the contractor they chose for Long Street, seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Brenda, Melinda, Georgiana, Becky, Judy and Paul all yes. Motion carried.

Jason provided information to have the Village record the covenants (that Vances and Jaydee Blair failed to file) for Phase 1 of the Ash Knoll with the County. Paul Wagner will check on the procedures to record them. The Mayor reported that the planning board met and informed the builders that even though the covenants were not filed the Village Council had approved the Plat based on those covenants. Paul Wagner stated that the covenants can be adopted as part of the Village zoning regulations and thus making it enforceable. The Mayor stated that no building permit will be issued until this situation is reconciled.

Village Superintendent Bob Chaney reported that the cemetery foundations have been poured and billed. Bob reported that several loads of dirt (from Pipers Pine) were hauled in around the water tower and the area was leveled and seeded. They did rent a rock hound and hauled about 8 loads of stone away from the site while they were leveling the area. Bob reported that the BPA has fenced in the water tower and it looks nice. Jeff and Bob did strip the former police cruiser that is going to New York. Ash Knoll was paved (paid by Jaydee Blair) and the area on High Street (paid by the Village) has also been paved. Before the paving (paid by Star Excavating) an area was dug out around High Street and Brethren Drive and a new base of about 6 inches was established.

Bob reported that the red truck cab has rusted through and the driver's side door wouldn't open. Therefore the truck needs to be replaced because it is beyond repair. Also, Bob reported that Newton Township is looking at replacing their Ford tractor and it would be nice to look into purchasing it since our Ford tractor is a 1939 model. Bob will go and try the tractor out and see if it will work for the Village since it is larger than our current Ford tractor. Since the red truck was one of the snow plowing vehicles it will need to be replaced as soon as possible. Judy moved to spend up to \$25000.00 for a truck and snowplow with \$14000.00 coming out of the Cemetery Fund and the balance out of the General Fund, seconded by Georgiana. Roll Call: Judy, Georgiana, Becky, Brenda, Paul and Melinda all yes. Motion carried.

Paul Wagner had no specific reports for this meeting.

#### Ordinances and Resolutions:

Paul moved the third reading of Ordinance 1007 Adopting New Plat Development Standards, seconded by Judy. Roll Call: Paul, Judy, Brenda, Becky, Georgiana and Melinda all yes. Motion carried. Paul moved to adopt Ordinance 1007 Adopting New Plat Development Standards, seconded by Judy. Roll Call: Paul, Judy, Brenda, Becky, Georgiana and Melinda all yes. Motion carried.

Georgiana moved the first reading by title of Ordinance 1010 for Public Improvement with the Intention to Proceed with the Long Street Project and Adopt the Estimated Assessments, seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Georgiana, Melinda, Paul, Judy, Brenda and Becky all yes. Motion carried.

Georgiana moved the first reading of Ordinance 1009 Combining Ordinances 962 and 920 Relating to the Trimming of Trees, Shrubbery, Weeds and Grass, seconded by Judy. Roll Call: Georgiana, Judy, Brenda, Becky, Melinda and Paul all yes. Motion carried.

#### Committee Reports:

Recreation/Beautification – Melinda reported that the Community Recreation Board met with Jason Winner and Ron Puthoff and they stated that the strongest grants for parks are for the purchase of land. The grants available are mostly CDBG and Nature Works. Ron believes that the community is a very good candidate for the grants. He also questioned the location of the park and wants to make sure that is where the community would like the park. Discussion followed as to various locations that the park could go. Melinda informed Village Council that if we apply for grants now, the applications have to be submitted by February 1, 2006. Also, the public needs to be aware that with the grants and cooperation with Newton Township establishing a Park should not be much of a financial impact on the Village.

Paul reported that the Halloween activities went well and they spent about \$160.00.

Old Business:

Mayor did observe the Hill Street traffic concern from Main Street to Williams Street and at this time his opinion is the traffic is not moving that fast.

Also, the Mayor reported that Kenny Artz at 911 has approval to move ahead with a County emergency warning system that will be managed by 911.

New Business:

The disposal of equipment taken off the police cruisers was discussed and Bob and Jeff will make a list of the equipment and give it to Melinda who will check on E-Bay for values and the procedures to be able to sell on E-Bay.

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

Judy moved to adjourn, seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Judy, Melinda, Georgiana, Becky, Brenda and Paul all yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

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Mayor/ Gary Johnston

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Fiscal Officer/ Tony Fessler