

PLEASANT HILL VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 12TH, 2007
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Mayor Gary Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll Call: Ronald "Bud" Perry, Bob Sollmann, John Schultz, Rick Baker, Donna Favorite and Melinda Clark all present. Others present were Jeff Derksen Service Superintendent, Tony Fessler Fiscal Officer, Gary Johnston Mayor, Paul Wagner Solicitor, Sergeant McGlinch, Miami County Sheriff's Department representative, Debbie Cress Income Tax Administrator, Jason Winner and Craig Mescher of Fanning/Howey Engineering, Richard and Norma Holsinger and Mr. and Mrs. John Hammond.

Melinda moved to approve the January 8th, 2007 reorganization and regular meeting minutes with the correction of 5 trees instead of 26 trees cut in the cemetery, seconded by John. Roll Call: Melinda, John, Bud, Bob, Rick and Donna all yes. Motion carried.

Jason Winner and Craig Mescher from Fanning/ Howey Engineering presented the procedure and areas to be addressed in the sewer plant facilities. A needs analysis of the current gravity fed plant in regards to capacity, growth potential for 20 years, maintenance issues and alternatives to increase flow can all be addressed in a feasibility study. The study will present cost estimates and for implementation of all changes or phase the changes in over several years. Also, the Village is eligible for the CDBG Water and Sewer Grant for the first time and it is a 50/50 matching grant up to \$500,000.00 for improvements to facilities. The feasibility study normally takes 5 to 6 months to prepare at an estimated cost of \$15,000.00. Craig explained that the goal would be to have all ideas and plans ready by June 2008 so the Village could apply for the CDBG Grant which would have the funds awarded by January 2009. Jason will have a quote for the cost of the feasibility study by the next meeting. Craig stated that the Village could have a Village Capital Improvement Fund which would allow the Village to apply for the zero interest loan up to \$25,000.00 through the OPWC similar to the loan for the water tower.

Sergeant McGlinch, of the Miami County Sheriff's Department, had no issues for the Village.

Jason Winner presented the updated zoning map. Jason reported on the progress of the Small Government CDBG Grant for Phase 1 for Monument Street and every indication he has says it will probably be awarded in May. Jason presented the final balance of the Engineers Contract for Phase 1 for Monument Street in the amount of \$61,500.00. The Village has already paid engineering fees of \$35,000.00 towards this project. The Council decided to wait until the CDBG Grant is awarded before approving the contract since the bidding won't probably occur until this fall.

Jason reported that Ron Puthoff is tabulating the results from the Village wide survey for the Distress Grant. Council would like to have the next community meeting on March 1 or 6 if it is okay with Ron.

Citizens Comments:

Mr. and Mrs. John Hammond were present to ask if the Village would be interested in annexing his 13 acres of land east of Pleasant Hill. After much discussion about storm water conditions and the sanitary sewer capacity in that area Melinda moved to authorize the Mayor to write a letter informing John that Council would rather not have his land annexed into Pleasant Hill or be tied into the Village water and sewer system at this time, seconded by Bud. Roll Call: Melinda, Bob, Bud, Donna, John and Rick all yes. Motion carried.

Richard "Dick" and Norma Holsinger commended the Mayor and Council for their commitment to improving the Village and moving forward in applying for grants like the Distress Grant. The Holsingers presented pictures and comments about Pleasant Hill and Villages they have visited which are attached. They encouraged Council to be protective of the Village Historical sites and Landmarks as they move forward with their goals for the upcoming years. Dick reported that when he worked on the Tommy Lewis Park he had over 375 people who donated their time and/or money to establish the Park and that speaks well of our community. Dick asked Council to consider the width of East Monument Street during the upcoming construction since it is over 5 feet wider than Villages like Versailles which also have State Routes. West Monument is over 12 feet and Main Street is over 15 feet wider than Versailles. If Monument and Main Street are brought in a few feet in width maybe some of the trees can remain. Melinda reported that next Wednesday the Urban Forester "Wendy" from the Cincinnati area will be meeting with Jeff to discuss the replacement of trees in the cemetery and give ideas about trees in the Village. The Mayor asked Dick to consider being a zoning inspector for the Village and Dick stated he will consider it.

Election of President Pro-Tem:

Donna moved to elect Melinda, seconded by John. Melinda accepted the position without a vote.

Department reports:

Jeff Derksen, Service Superintendent, reported that they have been dealing with the ice at the sewer plant for the past few weeks. He informed Council that the Sheriffs Department noticed a rash of street signs being taken and they would like Council to pass an ordinance that would have stronger penalties. Council told Jeff to inform the Sheriff's Department that theft is enforceable without any Village Ordinance and if there are any questions have them call Paul Wagner, Village Solicitor.

Jeff asked Council to approve two garage door openers for the vehicles. Melinda moved to purchase the garage door openers for a cost not to exceed \$250.00, seconded by Donna. Roll Call: Melinda, Donna, Rick, John, Bob and Bud all yes. Motion carried.

Gary Johnston, the Mayor, reported that 3 quotes, per the engineer's specifications, were received for the Grant and Long Street drainage problem. He also received an alternate solution quote from Marty Spitler. Council asked for the other companies to give a quote on the alternate plan and ask them for other alternatives.

Paul Wagner, the Solicitor, asked Council to pay one third of his Municipal Attorney Association dues. Donna moved to pay \$175.00 for Paul's Municipal Attorney Association dues, seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Donna, Melinda, Rick, John, Bob and Bud all yes. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Recreation – Melinda reported that Newton Township has applied for an additional grant for 2007 even though they have yet to be awarded the 2006 grant.

Safety - Bud reported that several Stop Signs are leaning and need to be straightened. Also the reflective ness of the signs needs to be checked. John reported that according to the paper the reverse 911 service is now in effect in Miami County. The Mayor reported that the Joint Fire Department is planning to put up the old siren along the Village Building at 8 West High Street for emergency warnings and it needs to be tied into the 911 system. Bud reported that there were several snow mobiles speeding in the Village and one person almost was hit by our snowplows. The Mayor reported that they aren't to be in the Village so 911 should be called if it occurs again.

Beautification – John would like the base on the Civil War Monument and the Fire Hydrants in the Village to be painted this year. Donna reported that the Municipal Courts will have community service workers this year that could possibly paint the hydrants and the contact is Tom Elliot.

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Ordinances and Resolutions:

Tony Fessler, Fiscal Officer, reported that the Village Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources states that our available resources will be \$1,225,548.03 for 2007 and he has appropriated \$1,225,439.87. Donna moved to suspend the three reading rule for the immediate preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Pleasant Hill for Ordinance 1024 Year 2007 Permanent Appropriations, seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Donna, Melinda, Rick, John, Bob and Bud all yes. Motion carried. Donna moved to adopt Ordinance 1024 Year 2007 Permanent Appropriations as an emergency, seconded by Rick. Roll Call: Donna, Rick, Melinda, John, Bob and Bud all yes. Motion carried.

Melinda had to leave at 9:15.

Old Business:

Bob moved to purchase 20 folding chairs at \$5.00 a chair from Newton Investors Inc., seconded by Bud. Roll Call: Bob, Bud, John, Rick and Donna all yes. Motion carried.

New Business:

Donna moved to have the Village wide garage sale on April 28th, 2007 and have the ads put in the Stillwater Advertiser and Troy Daily News and inform the neighborhood churches, seconded by John. Roll Call: Donna, John, Bob, Bud and Rick all yes. Motion carried.

Donna moved to have Montgomery Tree Surgery perform 4 monthly sprayings for mosquitoes, seconded by Bud. Roll Call: Donna and Bud yes, Bob and John no and Rick yes. Motion carried 3-2.

The Council was informed that Jeff and Tim had quite a few hours of overtime during the recent snowfalls. The Mayor reported that they can take time off during the pay period hour for hour and any overtime not taken off will be paid overtime pay.

Bud moved to approve all the bills except warrant 3249, seconded by Bob. Roll call: Bud, Bob, John, Rick and Donna all yes. Motion carried. Donna moved to approve warrant 3249, seconded by John. Roll Call: Donna, John, Bob and Bud all yes and Rick abstained. Motion carried.

Bob moved to adjourn, seconded by Bud. Roll Call: Bob, Bud, Donna, John and Rick all yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:32pm.

Mayor/ Gary Johnston

Fiscal Officer/ Tony Fessler