

PLEASANT HILL VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR

May 11, 2009

Mayor Gary Johnston called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call: Ronald "Bud" Perry-present; Rick Baker – present; Robert "Bob" Sollmann – present; Donna Favorite-present and Melinda Clark – present; John Schultz-absent. Others present were; Brian May from Fanning/Howey Engineering; Ron Puthoff from Community Development Services Inc.; Jeff Derksen, Service Superintendent; Sheriff Representative; Gary Johnston, Mayor; Paul Wagner, Village Solicitor; Carol Fessler, Fiscal Officer; and Tony Fessler, Income Tax Administrator. Sheriff Representative arrived at 7:03 p.m. after roll call.

Rick moved to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2009 regular meeting; seconded by Melinda. Roll Call: Rick - yes; Melinda – yes; Donna – yes; Bob – yes; Bud – yes. All yes. Minutes approved.

Miami County Sheriff's Department Report:

The Sheriff Deputy had nothing to report but asked council if they had any concerns for the Sheriff Department. There were a couple of concerns voiced about the increased traffic on East High Street due to the construction. Vehicles have been observed running stop signs and traveling at a high rate of speed for the area. The Sheriff Deputy stated he would report this and they would watch this area closer.

Citizens' Comments:

There was no citizen participation or concerns.

Report:

The mayor then opened the meeting for public hearing number 1 for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program requirement. There are two public hearings required, this being the first and the second will be on June 8, 2009. Ron Puthoff from Community Development Services Inc. stated that this first meeting for the public is to explain the different CDBG programs. The second meeting in June will be for more direct questions in regards to the specific water treatment plant project. The mayor then asked Ron if he could explain for the council the Anti Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan that is required of the Village to have in place before applying for the CDBG funds. The plan states that if the Village were to destroy any houses that they are required to go through a process to determine if those houses need to be replaced. Ron stated that once the Village has this plan in place then anytime CDBG funds are requested for a project this plan would be included in the paperwork and not have to be redone for each project.

Brian May from Fanning/Howey presented document 00516 change order number 4 to VTF for work done on the East Monument Street project for \$13,028.43. The question was raised as to whether any of the work on change order number 4 was going to be assessed to the property owners. Brian stated that the cost totaling \$767.00 pertaining to the drain pipe for down spouts thru curb will be assessed to the owners listed in the change order. Then the question was asked about the cost to seal off the coal chutes at the Naff property. This work had to be done; it was not done at the request of the property owner. After discussion, the council decided to table the issue of assessing Dave Naff for the work to seal the coal chutes. Melinda moved to approve document 00516 change order number 4. Donna seconded. Roll Call: Melinda-yes; Donna-yes; Bud-yes, Bob-yes, Rick-yes. All yes. Motion carried.

Brian then presented Application for Payment number 00518 to VTF for the East Monument Street Project for a total amount of \$44,467.95. OPWC will pay \$32,906.28 and the Village will need to pay \$11,561.67. Melinda moved to pay Application for Payment 00518 with the Village's portion being \$11,561.67. Rick seconded. Roll Call: Melinda-yes; Rick-yes; Donna-yes; Bud-yes; Bob-yes. All yes. Motion carried.

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Department Reports:

At last month's meeting, Jeff Derksen, Village Superintendent, reported to council about work that needed done along Walnut and Pearson Street. Council at that time asked Jeff to get a job description and quotes for this work. At this month's meeting, he presented to council the quotes for the ditch-work. They were from Finrock \$3610.00, Blackies \$2675.00, Lynde \$2380.00, Estey \$1252.00, Star EX \$4768.00 and Double Jay \$5320.00. After discussion, Donna moved to accept Estey's bid for the ditch-work. Melinda seconded. Roll Call: Donna-yes, Melinda-yes, Rick-yes, Bob-yes, Bud-yes. All yes. Motion carried.

Jeff then presented council with the quotes for street paving for East Franklin, Williams Street from High to Monument, Court and William Street patchwork, Hill Street patchwork and Maple Street patchwork. The quotes were from Wall \$32,835.00, Wagner \$31,645.00 and Ticon \$30,174.16. After much discussion, Bud moved to accept Ticon's bid for \$30,174.16. Bob seconded. Roll Call: Bud-yes, Bob-yes, Melinda-no, Donna-no, Rick-yes. Vote 3 yes-2 no. Motion carried.

Jeff stated he is receiving complaints regarding our weed ordinance. Our current ordinance states that weeds can grow up to nine inches before the Village will take action against the resident. At the time the Village Superintendent decides the weeds are at that height, a letter is sent to the resident and they have seven days to cut the weeds. If after that time the weeds are still an issue, the Village calls our mowing contractor and then we bill the resident. Jeff thought the council may want to restructure the ordinance to lower the height at which a resident is in violation. The question was raised as to how other Village's ordinances regarding weeds are written. Jeff will investigate and report back to the council.

Rick asked Jeff about the dirt still standing from the water line replacement on North State Route 48. Jeff stated that he spoke with Brian May and Brian stated that the seeding/landscaping crew is backed up due to rainy weather and that they will level and seed as soon as the weather clears up.

Gary presented a letter from the Miami County Health Dept. regarding a few properties on Lauver Road which do not have proper sewage systems. The Health Dept. is requiring these individuals to have a sewer line installed to connect to the Village sewer system. An OWDA low interest loan is being sought to pay for the project. The residents will then have the cost of the project assessed to their properties.

Committee Reports:

Melinda reported to the council for the Park Committee that the final member of the Park Board has been selected. He is Bill Benoit. He lives in Ash Knoll and he is the At-Large member of the Park Board. Plans were discussed regarding items to make the area around the shelter house welcoming and inviting since it is near the entrance to the park. The board also discussed planting trees at the north east corner to eventually make that more a wooded area. She reported that the High School soccer field has been planted. At the June board meeting they will finalize the long term plans to be presented to the Village council and the Township Trustees.

Donna reported that the Beautification Committee is still working on getting cost estimates for the installation of a flag pole. The Mayor and Jeff had taken a section of the old cemetery fence to Aesthetic Finishers for a definitive cost. The man at Aesthetic Finishers stated that to do the best job possible the cost would be \$3500 but he couldn't guarantee the job because the fence was so pitted. The Mayor then had Jeff check out cost on new fencing. Jeff has only had time to check out one source but a new 4 foot high steel fence installed with a 20 year guarantee would be \$2200. The council decided to table the fence cost at this time until more information can be gathered.

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Bud reported for the Safety Committee that fire emergency siren project is at a standstill due to DP&L requirements. DP&L has stated to do the project that they would disconnect all power to the elevator and that to get it reconnected at any time the owner would have to bear the cost for reconnect. After discussion it was decided that the JFD Board did not want to pursue the emergency siren project. The recommendation was made that instead of trying to figure a way to install this old three phase system, money might be better spent on a single phase system or several single phase systems to be placed around town on property that belong to the village. The cost would be more but we won't be limited by where the unit(s) was located.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Discussion was held on the Ordinances and Resolutions.

Ordinance 1048-Second Reading Prohibiting Parking a Trailer, Motor Home, House Trailer, or Boat on any Village Street. Melinda moved the second reading of Ordinance 1048. Bob seconded. Roll Call: Melinda-yes; Bob-yes; Bud-yes; Rick-yes; Donna-yes. All yes. Motion carried.

Bud moved to accept Ordinance 1049-Second Reading by Title of the Village of Pleasant Hill Income Tax, replacing Ordinance 961. Rick seconded. Roll Call: Bud-yes; Rick-yes; Melinda-no; Donna-yes; Bob-yes. Motion passed 4 yes-1 no.

Resolution 2009-12- Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan for CDBG Funding. Bud moved to accept Resolution 2009-12. Bob seconded. Roll Call: Bud-yes, Bob-yes, Rick-yes, Donna-yes; Melinda-yes. All yes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Discussion was held regarding retaining the services of Brenda Krofft for transcribing minutes. Melinda moved to retain her services through the end of 2009. Donna seconded. Roll Call: Melinda-yes, Donna-yes, Rick-yes, Bob-yes, Bud-yes. All yes. Motion carried.

The Memorial Day Parade will be May 25, 2009 starting at 10:30 a.m., any and all council members are invited to participate.

Melinda asked who was doing the on demand mosquito spraying. Bud moved to approve Bug-A-Boo for as needed spraying services. Rick seconded. Roll Call: Bud-yes; Rick-yes; Bob-yes; Donna-yes; Melinda-yes. All yes. Motion passed. Jeff will be the one to contact Bug-A-Boo for spraying.

Rick moved to approve payment of April bills, and acknowledge presentation and review of the April Primary Bank Reconciliation, Payment Summary, Payroll Register Summary, Fund Summary, Appropriation Summary, and Revenue Summary; Bud seconded. Roll Call: Rick-yes, Melinda-yes, Donna-yes, Bob-yes, Bud-yes. All yes. Motion carried.

Bud moved to adjourn; seconded by Rick. Roll Call: Bud-yes; Rick-yes, Bob-yes; Donna-yes; Melinda-yes. All yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Mayor / Gary Johnson

Fiscal Officer / Carol Fessler