# VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE PUBLIC HEARING April 1, 2014

Mayor Bowman opened the Public Hearing for the consideration of an amendment to the Village of Pemberville Zoning District Map to change approximately 19.46 acres of land on West Front Street from "A" Agricultural to "R-1" Single Family Residential at 6:45pm.

Present at the Public Hearing were Council Members Rothenbuhler, Campbell, Cox, Long, Opelt, and Schuerman. Others present were Rebecca Pisula, Harold Brown – Sentinel Tribune, Kellie Duquette, Chris Duquette, William Freeman, Kendra Freeman, Tom Oberhouse, Laura Oberhouse, Nicole Long, Ed Wozniak, Susan Westphal, Mark Westphal, Joanne Busdeker, Tom Reiter, Dana Nutter, Jen Rollo, Bonnie Rashleigh, Gene Steele, Paul Brackney, Jessica Sautter, Erlin & Mary Moritz, Chief Darling, and the clerk.

Chris Duquette explained although he understands the benefits of the projects, he would like to see additional information prior to Council making a decision.

Cy Freeman stated that he too would like additional information before Council makes a decision. He would like answers as to where the access to the development will be and the amount of traffic as he has kids and the answers would affect his family.

Vic Schuerman stated that he understands that the zoning change needs to be done first so that the investor does not have to put money into designs and planning without any evidence that it will be all for nothing.

Tom Oberhouse commented that he is trying to work with what is available and understands the concerns of those currently living on Front Street. He is looking into options that would be the least disruptive to those involved.

Kendra Freeman would like the developer and Council to concider that all three possible access points are off of Front Street and that it might be reasonable to investigate options from additional streets.

Mayor Bowman adjourned the Special Meeting at 6:59pm.

# VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE COUNCIL MEETING April 1, 2014

Mayor Bowman opened the April 1, 2014 council meeting at 7:00pm with a prayer and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present at the regular meeting of council was Rothenbuhler, Campbell, Cox, Long, Opelt, and Schuerman. Others present were Rebecca Pisula, Harold Brown – Sentinel Tribune, Kellie Duquette, Chris Duquette, William Freeman, Kendra Freeman, Tom Oberhouse, Laura Oberhouse, Nicole Long, Ed Wozniak, Susan Westphal, Mark Westphal, Joanne Busdeker, Tom Reiter, Dana Nutter, Jen Rollo, Bonnie Rashleigh, Gene Steele, Paul Brackney, Jessica Sautter, Erlin & Mary Moritz, Chief Darling, and the clerk.

**Minutes:** Rothenbuhler moved and Campbell seconded to approve the March 18, 2014 regular meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Long moved and Rothenbuhler seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$1,648.57. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bowman read a letter received from Dana Nutter. (Letter attached later)

ORDINANCE 1521 – ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP FOR APPROXIMATELY 19.46 ACRES OF LAND ON WEST FRONT STREET FROM "A" AGRICULTURAL ZONING TO "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONING. –3<sup>rd</sup> reading Long moved and Cox seconded to approve Ordinance 1521. Rothenbuhler explained the process Pemberville follows for new development such as this. He stated this is the first step and there will additional times for residents to be able to be involved. Roll was called. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1522 – ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROCK SALT FOR DE-ICING PURPOSES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. - 2<sup>nd</sup> reading

Campbell updated Long on the need for this ordinance and the discussion that took place at the previous meeting.

## Mayor:

The Police Report for 3/19/14 - 4/1/14 was distributed.

The Village received the check from the Wood County Park District for the tennis court resurfacing project.

The Pool Lift project is scheduled to be completed this spring.

Mayor Bowman explained that the Opera House will be receiving \$220,000 in funding for the elevator project from the State of Ohio. Private fundraising or grants will be needed for the additional \$110,000 needed.

### Campbell:

The Village received a letter from the Wood County Solid Waste District stating that a check in the amount of \$1,371 had been mailed to the Eastwood Band Boosters on behalf of Pemberville. This is done annually as part of a grant program for recycling. Information is provided by the village on recycling services.

Campbell thanked Chief Darling for addressing a Water Street property that has had furniture on the side of the road for a few months.

The Flood meeting to discuss the multi-purpose retention mound earlier today went well but the final decision is now in the hands of the Village Flood Plain Manager.

There will be a brush pick up on Monday, April 7.

#### Cox:

The Tree Commission has decided to plant a Blue Spruce in Elihu Mason Park in the middle of the brick circle instead of in front of the Town Hall. They will be removing a cull tree and either removing or transplanting the bushes in the circle.

Cox would also like to have Lockard put a spot light on the front of Town Hall. It was suggested to have him light up the flag at the same time.

# Long:

The BPA is in maintenance mode and continues to work on their current projects.

### Schuerman:

Schuerman explained that they have received approval to allow people to come into Oberhouse Park to take down trees.

Park and Recreation Committee meeting will be 4/21/14.

#### **Guests:**

Jesicca Sautter commented on the proposed multi-purpose retention mound. She urged Council to consider the effect of proposed project on those that live on the south side of the Portage River. She asked that meetings, such as the one that took place earlier today, be scheduled at a time that those that have full-time jobs could attend.

There was discussion on how to information to information to both Flood Wall meetings and the Subdivision Development meetings to those interested parties. It was decided to have to email distribution lists from the office that would inform anyone interested of upcoming meeting. Anyone interested should contact the clerk's office at <a href="mailto:clerk@villageofpemberville.org">clerk@villageofpemberville.org</a> and ask to be put on the list.

Mayor Bowman adjourned the meeting at 8:41pm.

To Pemberville Council and Zoning Committee:

I am writing in regards to the zoning of the field to the north of Front Street. I have major concerns with the rezoning of the property at this time. After walking through the neighborhood and discussing issues with neighbors, I am confident that Sherman Avenue and Sycamore Street are not capable of handling the amount of traffic that is proposed to be forced on these streets. These streets are merely paved alleys with low levels of traffic. Widening the streets will cause some residents to lose their off-street parking and also take away the ability for them to even park in front of their garages. The houses on these streets are very close and widening the streets will not be sufficient for the traffic of 40-45 new homes. I urge the council to look at these streets carefully before passing the re-zoning. Additional inlets and outlets should be created prior to any plans for this property.

I understand that some believe Pemberville needs to grow, but I don't believe it should be at the sacrifice of existing residents. This neighborhood is where we live. The traffic on these streets will impact our lives every single day. I am very concerned about the changes it will cause to our existing neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Dana Nutter

Front Street Resident since 2004

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