

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING
March 1, 2022**

Mayor Bailey opened the March 1, 2022, Council meeting at 7:00pm with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: Present at the scheduled meeting of Council were Rahe, Angel, Kirkbride, Mazur, and Titkemeier. Others present were, Robert Kuhlman, Chief Darling, Joanne Busdeker, Gene Steele, Eric Campbell, and the Fiscal Officer.

Minutes: Angel moved, and Kirkbride seconded to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2022, meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Rahe moved, and Angel, seconded to approve the bills for \$ 83,966.23. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1614: 2022 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS, DEFINING DUTIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION THEREOF. 2nd READING

ORDINANCE 1615: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PEMBERVILLE FREE FAIR, INC. 2nd READING

ORDINANCE 1617: ORDINANCE TO MAKE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022. 1ST READING

Police Activity Report: Police activity report provided with more detail. Mayor stated there is a decline in activity due to two Officers leaving for other departments. Officer Moore went to Toledo Police Department and Officer Schwiefert went to Northwood Police Department. Chief stated that Officer Zeman will move to Officer Moore's full-time position, and Chief hired Officer Marta Birsenger for the second full-time position.

Zoning Report: Zoning report provided showing a list of various communications, meetings, issued permits and other various tasks.

Council Reports:

Rahe:

Streets, Sidewalks, Lands & Buildings: Rahe stated Street Committee met on February 9, 2022. Rahe stated they discussed the most recent winter storm. Rahe stated during the storm the transmission went out in the 1-ton for the third time. Rahe stated the Street department will begin looking into a lease option for a new 1-ton.

Rahe stated the Village is on a lease program for the mowers and currently are in the processes of arranging the swap.

Rahe stated Oberhouse Park was discussed the Committee will invite the family to a meeting to discuss what to potentially do with the property.

Angel:

Personnel Committee: Angel stated there was a question posed during the Personnel Committee regarding an exit interview with the two officers that left for other positions. Angel stated there was no need for an exit interview because the only reason for their departure was due to money.

Angel stated he would like to remind new councilmembers of the Ohio Sunshine Law that all newly elected officials must attend. Angel asked that all email chains include a CC to the Fiscal Officer for public record keeping requirements.

Safety Committee: Angel stated there was discussion regarding the gathering of data from the speed limit signs and the safety issues of gathering the information from their location with a ladder due to weather

conditions. Angel stated Bluetooth capabilities are being explored to eliminate the safety concern. Rahe asked about the programming of the signs to say Thank you. Angel stated that once the safety concern is addressed the programming of the signs will take place. Angel stated the current speed limit sign located at Sherman and State Route 105 will be moved to College Ave. hopefully this week.

Kirkbride:

Electric: Kirkbride stated BPA discussed with Barres the contract for the engineering audit of the two electric substations for \$8,400. Kirkbride stated the Village north substation went down leaving the south substation the only one in operation. Kirkbride stated the north substation should be up and running by the end of the week. There was discussion on what would happen should both substations go down.

Sewer: Kirkbride stated there was discussion regarding phosphorus removal at the sewer plant. Steve Darmofal presented three options to remove phosphorus from the wastewater. Kirkbride stated the annual OM and replacement cost for chemical processing is \$20,000.

Kirkbride state there was discussion with Sheets and Darmofal regarding the \$486,000 grant/loan award. Kirkbride stated there was discussion regarding the force main on East Front St. and how to use existing casing for both water and sewer lines under the railroad tracks.

Water: Mayor updated BPA on the School Board meeting on February 23rd and the Commissioners meeting on February 22nd. Kirkbride stated the Wood County Commissioners have 25 million for infrastructure projects and the Mayor asked for \$4.4 million towards the water line replacement throughout the Village. Kirkbride stated there was a brief discussion on the order of which lines would be replaced.

Mazur:

Park and Rec: Mazur stated that Park and Rec met last night and discussed the pool rates. Mazur stated new this year is the Eastwood District Resident rate. Mazur moved and Angel seconded to approve the 2022 Pool rates. Motion passed unanimously.

Mazur stated the committee discussed hiring a pool manager. Mazur stated there was discussion about potentially leaving the splash pad accessible after the pool closes for the season. Mazur stated there are usually staggering warmer days that happen after the pool has closed for the season.

Mazur stated an ad was placed in the Suburban Press for Lifeguards and will likely run the ad two more times.

Mazur stated the next Park & rec meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 7, 2022, at 7:00pm to discuss finalizing everything for the pool.

Meyer:

Absent – No report.

Titkemeier:

Planning Commission: Titkemeier stated the Planning Commission met on February 16, 2022. Titkemeier stated Ed Wozniak has resigned from the Planning Commission and Steve Heimlich will serve in the open seat.

Titkemeier stated there was discussion for a request by Tom Oberhouse to change the zoning classification of the old Lumber yard from M'1 Light Industrial to R-3 Residential for the potential of development of 6 condos. Titkemeier stated there will be a public hearing on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at 7:00 pm to discuss the potential change in zoning classification.

Titkemeier stated other topics of discussion were the Animal Shelter, The Forks, and Oberhouse Park.

Mayor:

Mayor stated she met with the Wood County Commissioners and presented information of the Villages infrastructure needs.

Mayor stated she, Kuhlman and Rahe met with the School Board to discuss them potentially giving the property to the Village. Mayor stated ideally the School Board would like to give the Village the building and in return they would lease and maintain the building from the Village for approximately 8 to 10 years.

Mayor stated the concern was how the building would be dealt with at the end of the term. Mayor stated they School Board will let her know by June.

Mayor stated that Steve Darmofal is currently preparing three (3) nominations for potential EPA funding. They are for the water tower, force main, and downtown water line replacement.

Mayor briefly discussed the Fair Board moving off Legion property and Village insurance only covering the event associated with the fair.

Mayor stated Emerald LX has begun the process of permitting requirements for the splash pad and ordering materials.

Mayor stated Columbia Gas has been in the downtown alley replacing gas lines and should be finishing up by the end of the week.

Mayor stated on April 21st there is the Wood County Economic Development annual dinner open to all elected officials. Mayor stated she will be attending and if anyone else is interested please let her know.

Guest:

Gene Steele: Steele stated the next TMACOG meeting is scheduled to take place here in Pemberville. Mayor stated she will reach out to them to confirm the date and time.

Joanne Busdeker: Busdeker asked about the Animal Shelter. Mayor stated that the property owner has applied for the replacement of the roof and back wall. Mayor stated the application was approved but no one has contacted the Village office to begin the process.

Mayor Bailey adjourned the meeting at 8:15 P.M.

*Audio recording of the meetings are available upon Public Records request.