

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
January 7, 2025**

Mayor Bailey opened the January 7, 2025, Council meeting at 7:00pm with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present at the scheduled meeting of the Council were Angel, Mazur, Rahe, Rollins Titkemeier. Others present were Chief Vaughn, Eric Campbell, Gene Steele, Sandy Leuck, Tom Woodruff, Charlie & Joel Aring, Denny Henline, and the Clerk.

**Minutes:** Titkemeier moved, and Mazur seconded to approve the minutes from the December 17, 2024, meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Rahe moved, and Angel seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$16,775.80. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor deviated from the agenda to allow Sandy Lueck to present a donation from the Fair Board to the Park Committee. Sandy Lueck presented a check in the amount of \$1,000 to help offset the cost of replacing the bathroom doors near the shelter house. Sandy Lueck also stated that the Fair Board donated \$250 to the Police Department. Sandy stated that the Village workers are very much appreciated for all they do.

Mayor stated it is time to nominate the President Pro-temp for 2025 and asked for nominations. Angel nominated Pat Rollins and Titkemeier seconded the nomination. No other nominations. Motion to nominate Pat Rollins was passed unanimously.

**ORDINANCE 1685: 2025 WAGE ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS, DEFINING DUTIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION THEREOF. 2<sup>nd</sup> READING.**

There was discussion on raises and what the process was and how the committee came to their decisions. Rahe expressed her disapproval of the raises. Henline is concerned about giving raises and asking for an income tax increase. The Fiscal Officer explained that the income tax is split between the General Fund and Permanent Improvement Fund. Fiscal Officer explained that the only employees paid from the General Fund are the Police, Council, Solicitor, 25% of the Fiscal Officer wages, and Jeff Bourdo, all other employees are paid out of their specific department fund which has no bearing on the General Fund. Henline expressed the need to give our Zoning Inspector a significant increase.

**ORDINANCE 1686: AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE COUNCIL AMENDING SECTION 32.002 PURPOSE OF TAX RATE, OF CHAPTER 32, INCOME TAX, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE, CHANGING THE RATE OF TAX LEVIED ON INCOME FROM 1% TO 1.5% EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026. 1<sup>ST</sup> READING.**

**RESOLUTION 793: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE WOOD COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND DISTRIBUTION PLAN. 2<sup>ND</sup> READING.**

Clerk reminded Council that rule needed to be suspended tonight because the Resolution was due to the County by the end of December.

Angel moved and Titkemeier seconded to suspend the rules. Motion passed unanimously.

Angel moved and Mazur seconded to approve Resolution 793. Motion passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 794: A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE WOOD COUNTY, OHIO BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO PLACE UPON THE BALLOT AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 6, 2025, THE QUESTION OF INCREASING THE RATE OF PEMBERVILLE MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX FROM 1.0% TO 1.5% COMMENCING FOR THE TAX YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026. 1<sup>ST</sup> READING.**

**Police Activity Report:** Activity report provided. Chief stated that he has added an annual call data sheet to the report.

**Mayor:**

Mayor stated that committee assignment requests are in Council folders and asks to have them returned to her as soon as possible.

Mayor stated that she completed and submitted the mosquito grant application today. She requested a total of 15 sprays. Mayor stated that it will be \$362.82 per spray this year.

Mayor stated that Finance Committee will begin looking at areas to trim from the budget if the income tax levy does not pass.

Mayor stated the next meeting will be a joint meeting with BPA.

## **Council Reports:**

### **Angel:**

Safety Committee: Angel stated there is a Safety Committee meeting scheduled for tomorrow at 4:00pm

### **Mazur:**

Park and Rec: Mazur stated the Park received a grant for the replacement of park bathroom doors plus the donation.

Mazur stated that Kelsey Rollins is returning as the pool manager this pool season.

Mazur stated the Village received a donation for \$2,000 and another for \$10,000 for the replacement of the basketball court. Mayor added that Barres is looking at moving the lights in hopes to turn the court north and south instead east and west as it sits now.

Mazur stated that the next Park & Recreation meeting is Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am

### **Rahe:**

Streets, Sidewalks, Lands & Building: Rahe stated the next Streets meeting is Thursday at 1:30pm

**Kirkbride:** Absent

Cemetery:

Tree Committee:

### **Rollins:**

Personnel Committee: Rollins stated the Personnel committee met last night and discussed employee phones, and uniforms. Rollins stated that Personnel and Finance will meet on Tuesday before Council where they will focus on Personnel on the first Tuesday and Finance on the third Tuesday.

Finance Committee: Rollins stated the committee will begin reviewing budget proposals and discuss potential cuts.

Records and Retention Committee: Rollins stated the committee will be meeting on January 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am

### **Titkemeier:**

Planning Commission: Titkemeier stated Planning Commission met and discussed a possible new business at the old Ford garage. Titkemeier stated the members also approved the legal descriptions for the easements needed for the Bridge St bridge replacement project.

BPA: Titkemeier stated BPA met and discussed the water tower, the tower should be delivered by mid-February.

BPA discussed the Countyline Co-op waterline, working on details and costs.

BPA discussed the budgets for each department and getting any outstanding budgets to the Fiscal Officer as soon as possible to be included in permanent appropriations.

Titkemeier stated BPA discussed the potential for placing a new well in the Kahler woods and removing trees in the process.

**Eric Campbell:** Report provided with a list of Permits issued in 2024

### **Guests:**

Mayor Bailey adjourned the meeting at 7:52 P.M.

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

