

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING
February 21, 2023**

Mayor Bailey opened the February 21, 2023, Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor deviated from the agenda to allow John Courtney, the Village's AMP consultant, to discuss electrical rates with Council and members of BPA. Courtney explained the last time rates were reviewed and raised was in 2014.

Roll Call: Present at the scheduled meeting of Council were Angel, Kirkbride, Mazur, Rollins and Titkemeier. Robert A. Kuhlman, Chief Vaughn, Cindy Winfrey, Gene Steele, Eric Campbell, John Courtney, and the Fiscal Officer.

Minutes: Rollins moved, and Titkemeier seconded to approve the minutes from February 7, 2023. Motion passed 4/5 vote. Rollins-yes; Titkemeier-yes; Angel-abstain; Kirkbride-yes; Mazur-yes.

Treasurer's Report: Angel moved, and Mazur seconded the bills in the amount of \$3,338.05. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1633: 2023 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS, DEFINING DUTIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION THEREOF. 2nd READING

Angel wanted to clarify that all readings are open for discussion by Council at any time they are read and strongly encourages it. Angel stated he received an email with questions from Councilwoman Rahe regarding the wage Ordinance. Angel stated the questions posed were discussed during the Personnel and Finance committee with recommendations. Angel stated a question posed was insurance for Medicare aged employees. Angel stated the committee recommended amending the language in Section 30 to reserve the right to pick up the 15% cost to the employee if it is in the best interest of the Village. Angel stated another question was regarding wages and a contract for Brian Heestand and that will be a recommendation coming from BPA. Angel asked if there were any other questions from Council. Mazur stated a question Rahe posed had been answered by Angel when she contacted him. Angel stated that since there is no other question or further discussion, he would like to suspend the rules and pass the Ordinance tonight.

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

Angel moved and Mazur seconded to approve Ordinance 1633. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1634: ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE'S PARTICIPATION IN THE AMERICAN MUNICIPAL POWER, INC. ("AMP") "ON BEHALF OF" FINANCING PROGRAM AND THE EXECUTION OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND PROMISSORY NOTE IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE'S PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO TREASURER OF STATE'S OHIO MARKET ACCESS PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR THAT PROGRAM AND THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A STANDBY NOTE PURCHASE AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND OTHER NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 2nd READING

ORDINANCE 1636: 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, 2023. 2nd READING

Police Report: Police report provided with no questions or comments.

Chief wanted to recognize and thank Gene Steele. Chief explained the tires from the older cruiser are in better condition than the 2018 cruiser tires and therefore, Steele offered to swap out the tires.

Chief stated he is still working on getting the new cruiser outfitted however, due to lack of supplies he is not expecting it to be completed before April.

Chief stated the ECIC donated \$1510 towards the computer system needed for the new cruiser. Chief stated he will be attending the ECIC meeting on Friday to thank them for their donation.

Mayor:

Mayor stated that Chief Vaughn has been with the Village for six months. Mayor stated per Ohio Revised Code would like to officially appoint John R. Vaughn as Pemberville Police Chief. Kirkbride moved and Angel seconded to officially appoint John R. Vaughn as Pemberville Police Chief. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor stated she had finished cleaning out the planters downtown.

Mayor stated she is working on getting a dumpster for the Walnut St. garage.

Mayor stated the Thirsty Thistle opened and will serve cold sandwiches, crepes, and coffee. Hours are Thursday and Friday 4:00pm to 8:00pm and Saturday, 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Mayor stated the East Front St. project is moving forward.

Mayor stated the construction of the Splashpad will be resuming soon.

Mayor stated the ECIC is looking for a someone in the Eastwood Community that would like to serve as the president. Mayor stated if this position cannot be filled, they will likely close down the organization.

Council Reports:**Rahe:**

Absent

Union Cemetery: No report.

Streets, Sidewalks, Lands & Buildings: Mazur reported for Rahe.

Mazur stated the SSLB met on February 16th. Mazur stated the committee did receive one quote for a new 1-ton in the amount of \$67,245. Mazur stated the additional equipment needed for the truck could cost just as much as the truck.

Mazur stated a letter has been sent to the Oberhouse family regarding Oberhouse Park. Titkemeier asked what the letter stated. Mayor stated the letter is asking the family to take the property back or to remove the deed restrictions.

Mazur stated they are looking at new doors with timers for the Public Restroom at the park.

Mazur stated the repair on the leaf machine is roughly \$2000 and need to start looking at replacing the leaf machine.

Mazur stated the committee has sent a letter to Home Depot to request donations. Mazur stated a shed is needed at the pool and new spotlights. Mayor stated it is her experience that Home Depot donate materials and labor.

Mazur stated the committee has received one quote for painting the Council Chambers And is hoping to receive a couple others.

Tree discussed and reported under Kirkbride.

Mazur stated the next Street meeting is March 14th at 9:00am.

Angel:

Finance and Personnel: Reported during the reading of Ordinance 1633.

Kirkbride:

Tree Committee: No Committee report.

There was discussion with SSLB regarding planting of trees and working together. Mayor provided the current Ordinance on the books and stated the Committee should review, follow, and update. Process of planting trees was discussed including options for tree locations.

Mazur:

Park and Recreation: Mazur stated this Friday the committee is meeting with the Baseball Association and the other Organization regarding the ball fields.

Mazur stated flyers to recruit lifeguards and concessions workers will be go out March 1st.

Mazur stated the Park and Rec committee will be hosting a Quarter Frenzy to benefit the pool. More information to come.

Mazur stated the next Park and Rec meeting is March 20th at 10:00am.

Rollins:

Records Retention: No report.

Rollins thanked the office staff and Mayor for their help with Council chairs during the Art Show.

Titkemeier:

Planning commission: No Report

BPA: No report. BPA meeting tonight.

Zoning:

No report. Campbell stated there are items in the works, but nothing finalized.

Guests:

Gene Steele:

Steele asked Council if there was a Plan B for Oberhouse Park. Steele volunteered to continue to mow the pathways at the park.

Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:05 P.M.

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