VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE COUNCIL MEETING January 2, 2024

Mayor Carol Bailey opened the January 2, 2024, 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, Kirkbride, Mazur, Rahe, Rollins and Titkemeier. Others present were Chief Vaughn, Solicitor Robert Kuhlman, Eric Campbell, Gene Steele, and the Clerk.

Robert Kuhlman swore in Carol Bailey as Mayor.

Mayor Bailey swore in Board of Public Affairs members Kim Long and Dean Krukemyer.

Mayor Bailey swore in Council members Patricia Rollins and Sue Rahe.

Minutes: Angel moved, and Kirkbride seconded to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2023, meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Angel moved, and Rollins seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$2,512.30. Motion passed unanimously.

Rahe stated she noticed the Audit cost on the bill listing and wanted to know when the final report was issued. The clerk stated she and all of the Council should have received the report back on December 4th by email from the auditor.

Mayor Bailey asked for nominations for President Pro-tem. Angel nominated Kirkbride, Kirkbride nominated Angel, Mazur nominated Rahe. Mayor asked for a roll call vote, Angel voted for Kirkbride, Kirkbride voted for Angel, Mazur voted for Rahe, Rahe voted for Rahe, Rollins voted for Rahe, Titkemeier voted for Kirkbride. Angel-1 vote; Kirkbride-2 votes; Rahe-3 votes.

ORDINANCE 1652: <u>2024 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS, DEFINING DUTIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION THEREOF.</u> 2nd Reading

ORDINANCE 1653: ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1447 REGARDING THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS HANDBOOK. 2nd Reading

ORDINANCE 1654: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PEMBERVILLE FREE FAIR, INC. 2nd Reading

Police Activity Report: Activity report provided.

Mayor:

Mayor stated that Eisenhour Motor Sales closed effective December 29, 2023. Mayor stated there may be an open house with a new owner of Eisenhour. Mayor stated Eisenhour has been open 100 years. Mayor stated she will be preparing and presenting Eisenhour with a Proclamation.

Mayor stated Committee Assignments have been completed are in Council folders.

Mayor stated there will be a ribbon cutting for Gigi Confections and More on February 3rd at 11:00am. Mayor stated the products sold will be adult gourmet candies. Mayor stated there will be free samples available during the downtown garage sale.

Mayor stated that the January 16th Council meeting will be a joint meeting with the Board of Public Affairs.

Mayor stated that she is currently working on the 2024 Mosquito Grant application. Mayor stated that sprays are going to increase approximately \$20 per spray.

Mayor stated she has nothing new to report on the Township property.

Mayor stated that the investors for the new restaurant are moving forward. The current hold up is the plans for the back deck.

Council Reports:

Angel:

Safety Committee: No report

Personnel and Finance Committee: No report

Kirkbride:

<u>Personnel and Finance Committee:</u> Kirkbride touched on a few topics discussed during the committee meeting. Kirkbride stated that Personnel and Finance discussed finance forecasting and timeclocks. Kirkbride stated he is going to be talking with Nathan, Landry, and Barres next week to discuss timeclocks. Rahe asked about the target date for

implementation of March 1st regarding timeclocks. Kirkbride stated he would like to have feedback from the employees before confirming that date.

Kirkbride would like to discuss the Permissive Vehicle Tax. Kirkbride stated he would like to have a public meeting in February to communicate the information to the public.

Kirkbride stated that the Wood County Park will be holding a meeting regarding the Solar eclipse event Kirkbride stated the meeting will be held at the Wood County Museum on March 8th.

<u>Tree Committee:</u> Kirkbride stated the committee will be meeting next Monday at 7pm.

Mazur:

Park and Rec: No Report

Rahe:

Streets, Sidewalks, Lands & Building: Rahe stated the committee is meeting on January 9th at 9am.

Rollins:

Records and Retention Committee: Rollins stated that the committee will have two work sessions scheduled for January 12th and 26th.

Titkemeier:

Planning Commission: No report

BPA: Titkemeier stated BPA is currently meeting and therefore no report.

Eric Campbell: No Report

Campbell discussed permitting of new businesses.

Guests:

Gene Steele asked the Council to contact our State Representative regarding HB 263 that authorizes a property tax freeze for certain owner-occupied homes.

Steele stated that the fencing around #2 ball diamond has disappeared, and he would like some of the fencing if it will be scrapped. Mayor stated she would find out.

Steele asked for status on Oberhouse Park. Kuhlman stated he was waiting for a response from the family's attorney. Kuhlman will reach out to the attorney.

Mayor Bailey adjourned the meeting at 7:36 P.M.

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