## VILLAGE OF PLEASANTVILLE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

## December 9, 2021

Jason Henderson, Mayor	Present
Chad West, President	Present
Judy Boyer, Councilwoman	Present
Bill Mason, Councilman	Present
Michelle Dumolt, Councilwoman	Present
Barry Williams, Councilman	Present
Open Seat	Open

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance recited by all. Roll call taken.

In addition to council attendance, Penny Marquart, Fiscal Officer, Samantha McCreery, Administrative Assistant, Casey Ash, Maintenance was in attendance. Also in attendance were Bill Vance, Village Consultant, Officer David Wolfel, Baltimore Police Department.

#### **MINUTES:**

Councilman Mason made a motion to accept the November 15, 2021 special meeting minutes. Councilwoman Boyer seconded.

Judy Boyer - yes Bill Mason - yes Michelle Dumolt - yes Chad West - yes Barry Williams - yes Motion carried

## **GUESTS:**

Bill Vance, WMV, LLC. – Village Consultant Officer David Wolfel, Baltimore Police Department

#### **BUSINESS OF GUESTS:**

Bill Vance, Village Consultant reports that he and Councilwoman Dumolt will be looking at and working on the Village handbook in January.

Mr. Vance also shared that he has a meeting with Alan Brown, Village Engineer on December 10, 2021 to discuss CDBG grant and the Safe Routes to School grant.

It was also reported by Mr. Vance that the sewer force main on Leitnaker Rd. had some bridge work done on it by Fairfield County. It is Walnut Creek Sewer District's responsibility to make repairs. Mr. Vance has a meeting with Fairfield County next week.

In regards to demo funds, Mr. Vance talked about demoing the newly acquired farmhouse. There is another house in the Village that belonged to a person who has passed away and has no family. The application period begins in January. Mr. Vance and Mayor Henderson will meet on December 10, 2021 to further discuss.

Mr. Vance indicates that Fairfield County has stabilization funds and the State of Ohio has additional funds. This will also be discussed further at a later time.

He shared that the Brownsfield Grant has "no strings attached". There is a possibility of acquiring and demoing the old Sunoco. The homeowner has begun moving equipment around and working. This also will be looked into.

Mr. Vance has a meeting with ODOT regarding Main St. He would like to start looking at funding and working on the right of ways. ODOT does have grant funds available.

It was asked of council if they would be accepting to move forward with the application for the Safe Routes to School program. This program requires a plan and about 25K that it takes to make the required book. This cost is paid upfront. There are 400K in grants available. Council gave the go ahead to start the application "plan" to apply and move forward with this project.

Lastly, Mr. Vance reports that things are moving forward with adjusting the contract the Village has with Walnut Creek Sewer District.

### **PUBLIC INPUT:**

There is no business.

#### FINANCE REPORT:

President West reports that there have been no new updates.

#### **ZONING REPORT:**

President West reported that there have been no new updates. Teri Wise, Village Zoning Inspector has been in quarantine and their office is short staffed so there has been nothing new.

#### RECORDS AND LAW REPORT:

Councilwoman Dulmolt reports that there will be ordinances to bring to the table in January. She will also bring ordinances to the table regarding the Police Committee.

## RECREATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER, PARK AND POOL:

Councilwoman Boyer reported that there were/are (7) rentals in the grange for the month of December and (2) in the month of December. She also reported that Chris Miller will be holding exercise classes in the grange on Tuesdays and Thursday. The classes are free and open to everyone.

#### **COUNTY BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES REPORT:**

Regional Planning – The date was sent to Councilwoman Dumolt. She was not able to attend, however, there were agenda items that would affect Pleasantville. Councilwoman Dumolt will call in to the meetings if she is able.

Board of Health ADHOC – Councilwoman Dulmolt reported that the meeting was supposed to be rescheduled but has not heard anything further.

#### **GRANT UPDATES:**

#### Current/Awarded:

OPWC (2020 Round) Lincoln Ave Phase I, grant awarded, contract awarded to Axis Engineering.

Contract for project ends on December 11, 2021. Mayor Henderson reports that neither he nor the residents are pleased with the project. The contractors have told residents that "things aren't their responsibility" and have not been fixed. Mayor Henderson has a meeting with Alan Brown, Village Engineer, tomorrow to discuss. He would like to give Axis a deadline to complete repairs. The Village will hold 45K back until rectified or will go to another company to make repairs. Sidewalk is higher in places and it's pushing water back on to the resident's property. The project manager for Axis is giving the Village and residents a hard time in making these repairs.

Nature Works Round 27 (2021-22)— Otte Park Ball Diamond update, estimated \$60,000, our match would be 25% (\$15,000) 2021 Budget. Awarded.

This project will begin in 2022.

(Current/Awarded Grants Continued...)

OPWC Round 35 (2021) W Columbus Street - awarded. Holding off bid until Spring 2022.

## Applied for:

Pearl St. Storm lines/sidewalk repaving. More to come at a later time.

## Coming up:

CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization - Year 2022: Possible \$800k.

Meetings will be held for the public in 2022. James Mako, Executive Director of Fairfield County Regional Planning, Mr. Bill Vance, Village Consultant and Mayor Henderson will all be present for the public meetings. Construction for this project will be begin in 2023 for the awarded.

## **VILLAGE MAINTENANCE REPORT:**

Casey Ash reports:

November Highlights

Worked on Water Plant Paperwork and EPA paperwork

Water Plant repairs to waterline made include:

Repairs: - 1 Meter replaced

-1 Curb box replacement

-1 Shut off valve

Installed: -1 Meter installed

-1 Curb box installed

-1 Shut off valve installed

The Village will need to begin looking at replacing meters with what we have.

The meters currently being uses are obsolete.

Repaired Fire truck.

Prepped and readied truck and equipment for winter.

Cleaned-up the Maintenance Building/Shop for Christmas events (Resealed floors -4 coats sealer & 3 coats of polish).

Put up Christmas Lights around town and also put up some new ones.

Working with Alan Brown, Village Engineer, on completing project on

Lincoln Avenue.

Continued GIS mapping.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

No old business to report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Resolution 12-09-21-01 - <u>Employee Raises</u> - This is an ordinance to establish new pay rates for Village Employees. Councilman Williams made a motion to accept this resolution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Dumolt.

President West - yes Councilman Williams - yes Councilman Mason - yes Councilwoman Boyer - yes Councilwoman Dumolt - yes Motion carried.

## Resolution 12-09-21-02 - Adjustments to Final 2021 Year End Budget

The following changes were made to the budget: added \$210.00 to electric account, added \$5260.00 to "other general" account, added \$850.00 to natural gas account, added \$1000.00 to telephone account, added \$670.00 to office account, and added \$2100.00 to clerk salary. A motion to approve the budget and changes was made by Councilman Mason. Second by Councilwoman Boyer.

President West – yes Councilwoman Dumolt – yes Councilman Williams – yes Councilwoman Boyer – yes Councilman Mason – yes Motion carried.

#### Ordinance 12-09-21-03 - 2022 Budget

Lowered revenue on 2022 and down on RITA tax. This budget only allows for about 4K carry over - this is the lowest the Village has ever had. A motion was made by Councilwoman Boyer to approve the 2022 Budget. Second by Councilman Williams.

President West – yes Councilwoman Dumolt – yes Councilman Williams – yes Councilwoman Boyer – yes Councilman Mason – yes Motion carried.

# (New Business Continued...)

It was requested of council to purchase 2022 Ohio Basic Code books. A motion to approve the purchase was made by Councilman Mason. Second by Councilwoman Dumolt.

President West: yes Councilman Mason: yes Councilwoman Boyer: yes Councilwoman Dumolt: yes Councilman Williams: yes Motion carried.

Council had a discussion about the new logo ideas that had been designed for possible adaptation. Most members liked the logo with the "trains" as there is a history of trains in Pleasantville.

Council reviewed the final data from the Music and Street Festival. The Village "lost" about \$1,000.00 from the first festival. A motion was made to approve a donation of \$1,263.89 from the proceeds of the silent auction and the beer garden that were specified to have all donations directly paid to Habitat for Humanity was made by Councilwoman Boyer. It was seconded by Councilman Williams.

President West: yes Councilman Mason: yes Councilwoman Boyer: yes Councilwoman Dumolt: yes Councilman Williams: yes Motion carried.

Mayor Henderson presented a "2021 Year End Review" for review of by Council. This review would be posted on the Village Facebook page, the Village website and all required posting places. Council approved this year end review and granted permission to post it.

# COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/CONCERNS:

Penny Marquart, Village Clerk, indicated that the Village will have a new auditor for 2022. It is only permitted to have the same auditor for eight years and then they must be switched. That switch will take place in 2022. It was not known as to whom the new auditor would be yet.

It was indicated that the Village could possibly receive a grant from the insurance company. The application for this grant would happen. The grant would provide up to \$1,000.00 for safety needs. The funds could possibly be used for a child's defibrillator for the pool. As to whom would recharge the units needs to be looked into. Pleasant

# (Council Member Comments/Concerns Continued...)

Township Fire Department suggested purchasing the defibrillator from them so they can be swapped out when they are needed to go with a patient on a run from the pool. This will be further investigated.

It was discussed that Walnut Township has a new app called "Palspointmap" that will send out an alert if someone has a cardiac arrest and the person seeing the notification can be alerted as to where an available AED unit is located and can help if needed.

A reminder that the GIS system renewal will happen in March 2022. The renewal fee is \$500.00. This will need to be brought back to council for approval at another time.

The water rate for 2022 will be increasing 3% and the sewer rate for 2022 will be increasing by 3% also.

## **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:**

This December 2021 meeting will be the last meeting of Councilwoman Boyer. The Village and council thank her for her 8 years of service to the Village.

Councilwoman Boyer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Mason. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Jason Henderson, Mayor

Penny Marquart, Fiscal Officer