VILLAGE OF PLEASANTVILLE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING November 15, 2021

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

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance recited by all. Roll call taken.

In addition to council attendance, Penny Marquart, Fiscal Officer, Sam McCreery, Administrative Assistant, Casey Ash, Maintenance was in attendance. Also in attendance was Bill Vance, Village Consultant.

MINUTES:

Councilman Mason made a motion to accept the October 14, 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 Deputy Bynorth – Fairfield County Sheriff's Office Sergeant Walker – Fairfield County Sheriff's Office

BUSINESS OF GUESTS:

Bill Vance, Village Consultant, has had a couple of meetings with Fairfield County's grant consultant along with a webinar. He will be meeting with Alan Brown of Hull & Associates regarding the Safe Routes to School project. He also spoke regarding the water plant expansion and the community beautification grants.

Deputy Bynorth of the Fairfield County's Sheriff's Office was observing the meeting and did not present any business. He was at the meeting to show support to Village of Pleasantville.

Councilwoman Dumolt reports in regards to Fairfield County Sheriff's Office that they (FCSO) are re-adjusting the sector lines on Richland Road. They who sheriff's deputies that were on patrol recently will be the primary patrol.

Deputy Bynorth asked Mayor Henderson if there were any "problem areas" that needed to be addressed to which Mayor Henderson requested that there be a meeting to discuss these areas.

FINANCE REPORT:

President West reports that there have been no new updates.

ZONING REPORT:

President West reported that an update from Teri Wise, Zoning Inspector. Mayor Henderson explained that Baltimore and Pleasantville will be "sharing" zoning and the costs associated with this. This process will begin soon.

RECORDS AND LAW REPORT:

Councilwoman Dulmolt reports that there have been no new updates.

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER, PARK AND POOL:

Councilwoman Boyer reported that there were/are (5) rentals in the grange for the month of November and (6) 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 - No update

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

GRANT UPDATES:

Current/Awarded:

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

The punch out list has been submitted to the contractor. There were some issues with Axis Construction. Some areas have had some settling; most areas have been fixed. The Village still has about 60K to pay to toward the project. Will hold payment until areas are fixed; the estimated areas that need repaired are 45K.

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

 Village has been awarded 45K – with the Village match, there will be a total 60K toward this project. The Village must pay the full 60K, but will be reimbursed 45K.

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

Applied for:

Pearl St. Storm lines/sidewalk repaving -

A request has been put in to apply for this grant. This grant is for about 300K. The grant money, if awarded, will allow for sidewalk paving, storm drains along with any possible issues along Pearl St. The Village may need to get a right away from property owners – this will be further looked into.

The existing drains currently drain to Shady Acres Farm. Shady Acres Farm will be turning into solar fields. They (Shady Acres) won't be able to add addendums to their agreement and thus, Mayor Henderson will work with Mr. Ben Meyers of Shady Acres Farm to have the current drains mapped. It will further be looked into with the EPA regarding solar cleaning of the fields when Shady Acres Farm turns to solar. This may have an impact on the further building/construction at the Pleasantville water plant.

GRANT UPDATES (Continued):

Coming up:

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

 Mayor Henderson reports that the conversation has begun about possible projects. There will be Town Hall meetings for the public to share ideas and input.

Brownfield Grant – this grant will let the Village tear down and revitalize property. This grant could be a solution for several properties within the Village. Mayor Henderson will have a conversation with Mr. Vance regarding this.

Coming up (continued):

There may be demolition money from State of Ohio that can be use for 6 acres of land on East Columbus/Pleasantville Rd. beside water plant.

- More information will be available later.

There may be grant money available for Main Street. In order to apply for this, the Village will need to "redo" the right of ways. This will need to be looked into.

VILLAGE MAINTENANCE REPORT:

Casey Ash reports:

October Highlights

Worked on Water Plant Paperwork and EPA paperwork

Water Plant repairs to waterline

Repairs: One water meter was replaced

Will have to start looking at replacing meters with what currently is on hand.

The meters currently being used are obsolete. There are only four left on hand. Maintenance staff can get rebuild kits and replacement parts for

"new" meters.

Sorted all the old nuts, bolts and water pieces from the water plant storage and put on shelves

Installed "reduced speed sign" outside of Village

Repaired little red Dump Truck AGAIN

Picked up six tons of salt for Walnut Twp and are coordinating to get more

Currently prepping truck and equipment for winter

Trick or treating (Set up and put away)

Music fest (Set up and put away)

Shop clean-up for Christmas

Started going through Christmas Lights

Working with Alan Brown (Hull and Associates) on completing punch out list for the project on Lincoln Avenue

the project on Emcontraver

Leveled out alleys with a tractor

Continuing GIS mapping

Mayor Henderson asked Mr. Ash to look into pricing a box blade as it would be much easier to have one that belongs to the Village versus borrowing one from Bremen.

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Purchase of new truck dump/plow package</u> – Casey Ash, Village Maintenance, reports they have been looking into the purchase of a new truck. A truck belonging to Fairfield County Maintenance seemed to be what was being looked for. This project will be put on hold for the time being.

Employee Handbook - Councilwoman Dumolt reports that Bill Vance has a contact that can build a handbook. A handbook should be available by January 2022.

<u>Fire Department Contract Meeting</u> – President West reports that the levy did pass. It will be put on the next ballot to consolidate Pleasantville into one fire district. Once this is voted on by the public, the department that does not "win" the contract can not come back to say that the Village is in violation of contract.

<u>Police Subcommittee update</u> - Councilwoman Dumolt reports in regards to Fairfield County Sheriff's Office that they (FCSO) are re-adjusting the sector lines on Richland Road. They who sheriff's deputies that were on patrol recently will be the primary patrol.

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Councilwoman Dumult brought to the attention of the council, the pirate ship at Otte Park that has been a concern of the council for some time. The ship is owned by CFLP – Solid Waste District. The ship was offered to surrounding counties, Villages, areas and none have showed interest. Mrs. Marquart, Village Clerk, will look into how to remove the Village from the CFLP Solid Waste inventory. The removal from inventory will allow the Village to tear down the ship. It will also be requested to have the ship removed from the audit list.

2021 Initiatives

Safe Routes to School ODOT Grant – need to assign leader. This process has begun. This is a 25K grant. A plan needs to be created. Hull & Associates are aware and will begin to look into this.

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>ISO Rating</u> – Mayor Henderson explains that this rating comes from Pleasant Township Fire Department. He reports that the rating went down from a 5 to a rating of 4. This decrease could possibly cause a decrease in resident's homeowners' insurance.

NEW BUSINESS (continued):

Walnut Creek Sewer District Payment Date Change – Mayor Henderson reports that the current payment due date for Walnut Creek Sewer District does not allow Village Clerk time to process the payment. Mr. Vance has had a verbal conversation with WCSD and it has been allowed to make payment on the 10th of each month. It is being asked for an approval letter to be sent to WCSD formally extending the due date and modifying the existing contract. A motion was made by Councilman Mason. Seconded by Councilwoman Dumolt.

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

Resolution 11-15-21-02 – Adjustments to the 2021 Budget – The following adjustments were made to the 2021 Budget:

Added \$4,910.00 to Other-Professional & Tech Service (acct. 1000-230-349-0001) for Sam's Pest Control, Ohio Trees, mowing and other miscellaneous.

- Added \$1,500.00 to Professional & Tech Service (acct. 100-790-340-0000) for William Vance.

- Added \$4,860.00 to Other (Festival) (acct. 100-390-690-0001) for festival.

 Added \$2,000.00 to Operating Supplies & Materials (acct. 5101-539-420-0009) for water plant repairs.

A motion was made to approve these adjustments by Councilwoman Boyer. Second by Councilman Williams.

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

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/CONCERNS:

No concerns to report or discuss.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

Mayor Henderson reports that the Village has received the annual request from Lancaster Fairfield County Public Transit asking for a donation from the Village. Council does not wish to make a donation. Mrs. McCreery to send letter indicating that the Village will not be making a donation.

Mayor Henderson reports that he will continue to submit grant proposals for Grange updates for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Mayor Henderson reports that in 2022, there are four open Council seats. The current council can NOT vote on 2022 positions. Mayor Henderson is investigating how to vote, etc. Brad Nicodemus, Village Solicitor is also looking into this issue. The two current council members can vote on the two council members that are running for a seat this coming year. Applications for the open council seats are due to the Village Office by January 3, 2022 by 1:00 pm. The Village seat on the Walnut Creek Sewer District is also vacant. Applications for this position are also due by 1:00 pm on January 3, 2022.

Mayor Henderson reports that all items purchased with Covid funds must be purchased by December 31, 2021. He would like to look into purchasing a larger council table to allow for social distancing.

Mrs. Marquart, Village Clerk, and Mayor Henderson report that the Village received a rent payment from Shady Acres Farm that the Village owns and is currently being farmed by Shady Acres. The payment was in the amount of \$465.00.

Councilman Mason made a motion to adjourn, seconded by President West. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.

Jason Henderson, Mayor

Penny Marquart, Fiscal Officer