

**VILLAGE OF PLEASANTVILLE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION  
MARCH 14, 2019**

Jason Henderson, Mayor	Present
Chad West, President	Present
Randy Asher, Councilman	Present
Penny Bell, Councilwoman	Present
Judy Boyer, Councilwomen	Present
Bill Mason, Councilman	Present
John Snook, Councilman	Absent
Penny Marquart, Chief Fiscal Officer	Present
Cheryle D Sparks, Admin. Assist.	Present
Anthony Taylor, Maintenance	Present

**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Bill Mason to approve the February 14, 2019 minutes. Second by Judy Boyer.

Chad West - Yes  
Randy Asher-Yes  
Penny Bell-Abstained  
Judy Boyer-Yes  
Bill Mason-Yes  
John Snook-Absent

Motion Carried

**GUEST:**

Attorney Brad Nicodemus  
Chief Michael Tussey, Baltimore Police  
Commissioner Jeff Fix  
Chief Jim Hite, Thurston Walnut Fire Department  
David J Beiter  
Benjamin Beiter, Eagle Scouts Troup 187

**Business of guests:**

Attorney Brad Nicodemus also Solicitor for the village here for support for the Mayor and Council.

Chief Tussey here to talk about a police department for the village.

Commissioner Jeff Fix here to introduce himself and advised if we need anything to get in touch with him.

Chief Hite reported that they did receive \$50000.00 for radios. He asked if McCaffertys ever put up signs for apartment numbers on Pearl so they could find what apartment they needed.

David Beiter, father of Benjamin Beiter here to be support to son.

Benjamin Beiter gave presentation on the open shelter house that he is building at Pleasantville Park for his Eagle Scout Project. Cheryle Sparks, President of Pleasantville LaSertoma presented him with a \$100.00 check. Mayor Henderson presented him with a check from his personal account.

**Council Reports:****Finance Report-**

Randy Asher advised Gary Kinnison repaid monies owed for credit card abuse.

Easter Egg Hunt donation of \$50.00 for prize money was discussed.

**Zoning Report-**

Chad West advised 1<sup>st</sup> meeting went real well. They went ahead and completed Jeff Snyder's application.

**Community Center-**

Penny Bell reported 6 events for March and 5 dance lessons. April 5 events and 9 dance lessons. May's Report shows 0 event and 9 dance lessons.

**Park and Pool-**

Judy Boyer reported 0 event for April. May has 3 events. Mayor Henderson spoke about the concession stand at the pool. He advised he has spoken to Kathy Cline who is doing the new restaurant to see if she was interested. It was suggested that she pay \$1,000.00 for the season for rental of space. She would be responsible for permits.

Applications for lifeguards are starting to come in. Judy had been advised that some of the guards from last year will be back.

**Records and Law Report-**

John Snook absent no report

**County Board Representatives Report-**

Regional Planning-John Snook absent no report

Board of Health Adhoc- Penny Bell states she attended the meeting on Jan 31<sup>st</sup> and missed the March 4th meeting. She said they are only going to meet 3 times yearly.

**Grant Update:**

ODNR Nature Works- Approved \$96,000.00 with 25% match. Received approval packet March 2019 to start design and bid.

CDBG Grant-Approved \$97,000.00 with 0% match. Using CDBG funding as a match with OPWC Grant. OPWC Grant-Submitted \$125,000.00 with matching fund from CDBG. Rated high on scoring, OPWC meets to award projects in April Funding should be approved.

**Streets:**

Tony Taylor advised Sure Shot will be coming to clean the drains. He has been working on the back hoe and out at the water plant. He worked on toilet and phone lines at the grange. Chad West ask about the other propellers at the water plant after Tony showed one that was all chewed up. Tony advised they are repairing one at a time. He has also been working at the pool.

He has been working with Bob Pangborn to learn the water system and log the hours toward his certification. He has rebuilt a motor for water plant.

He reported that maintenance has been neglected and he wants council to know the money he is spending on these repairs, is less then replacing the items that are being worked on. Once maintenance is caught up we should see maintenance expenses go down.

**Old Business:**

Mayor Henderson did the second reading on Ordinance 02-14-19-02 and Ordinance 02-14-19-03.

**New Business:**

Penny Bell brought up about getting paid the \$15.00 to go to the meeting. Mayor Henderson advised her that was something that had been done in the past, but there was not proper council approval or ordinances. After discussion, Chad West made motion to pay any member that goes to outside meetings \$15.00 plus mileage. Bill Mason second it.

Chad West-Yes  
Randy Asher-Yes  
Judy Boyer-Yes  
Bill Mason-Yes  
Penny Bell-Yes  
John Snook-Absent

Motion carried

Solicitor Brad Nicodemus to draw up ordinance to support above motion.

Easter Prize money was discussed and voted on. Randy Asher made motion to donate the \$50.00 For prize money. Penny Bell second it.

Chad West-Yes  
Randy Asher-Yes  
Bill Mason-yes  
Judy Boyer-Yes  
Penny Bell-yes  
John Snook-Absent

Motion carried

Community Yard Sale is June 7 & 8. Judy Boyer made motion to waive the town fees for everyone for those two dates. Chad West second it.

Chad West-Yes  
Randy Asher-Yes  
Bill Mason-Yes  
Judy Boyer-Yes  
Penny Bell-Yes  
John Snook-Absent

Motion carried

Bill made motion to go on with negotiations with Pleasant Township for fire protection. Judy Boyer second it.

Chad West-yes  
Randy Asher-Yes  
Penny Bell-yes  
Judy Boyer-Yes  
Bill Mason-Yes  
John Snook-Absent

Motion Carried

Discussion about the Ball League concerning the contract followed and Brad Nicodemus states he will put together a contract with a hold harmless clause for the Ball League.

Mayor Henderson advises that there is \$800.00 in the Flag fund and Veterans Memorial Fund. He suggest a new flag pole at the Pleasantville Park. Council agreed.

Mayor Henderson advised us that we have bids out for a new mower. We get new mower every two years. He has reached out at to Ag Pro, John Deere, and Speciality RV.

Mayor Henderson reported that we are reviewing our current insurance for the village .We have been underinsured for years. We are waiting on bids to come in. Our insurance expires April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Henderson advised that the Pleasantville Garden Club gifted us \$835.00 when they dissolved the organization. The mayor asked if we could take this amount and add \$165.00 from the General Fund,

and have it used for Pleasantville LaSertoma projects for updating the village flower beds. This would be a total of \$1,000.00 and he asked that it be set aside to reimburse LaSertoma for plants and bushes. Randy Asher made the motion to approve, Chad West seconded the motion.

Chad West-Yes  
Randy Asher-Yes  
Judy Boyer-Yes  
Penny Bell-Yes  
Bill Mason-Yes  
John Snook-Absent

Motion carried

Tony will work with LaSertoma to pull the existing shrubbery, tree, and plants in front of the Grange.

Mayor Henderson presented to the council information about possibly looking at a Police Department. He passed out to the members a conceptual budget that he worked with other village police departments to come up with.

Chief Tussey provided pro's and con's of a village police department:

Pro's

1. A police department is the face of the community.
2. They have a huge impact on the community.
3. The department deals with all types of people.
4. A village department would know where to look for crimes.
5. Also, zoning is a big issue to keep your village running smooth.

Con's

1. A police department is not an instant fix to the village's problems.
2. It takes approximately two years to see a difference.
3. Finding volunteers to work reserves is an issue. No one wants to volunteer.
4. He also stated it is very hard to get reliable volunteers. We must be very careful when we hire.

We need to convince people there is a need. Horrific drug problems, heroin, meth and opium issues. Chief Tussey states that if we can find a way to start our own police department we would be further ahead. Chief Tussey reported that they deal a lot with the Major Crimes Unit.

Chief Tussey discussed other opportunities that we could look at, such as creating a police district with other local governments.

Chad West ask if the hourly rate for deputies is reasonable, that was provided by the mayor. Chief Tussey advised they are reasonable. Chief Tussey advises it is not cheap to have a police department and we would have to get a tax levy to help. He states a full officer in detail is about \$4,000.00 each.

Every department in the county have a budget to follow. Sharing the load is the best deal. Penny Bell ask what RITA brings in. Mayor Henderson advised her about \$105,000.00.

Randy Asher commented that we get a committee together and discuss it further. Mayor Henderson asks Randy Asher to work on committee.

Miscellaneous Items:

Cheryle will be on medical leave on May 6 for approx. 2-6 weeks.

Gary Kinnison did repay the money he owed for abuse of credit cards.

John Snook has missed 5 meetings in a row due to illness

Randy Asher made a motion to start the process of expelling John Snook off the council board. Chad West second it.

Chad West-Yes  
Randy Asher-Yes  
Bill Mason-Yes  
Judy Boyer-Yes  
Penny Bell-Yes  
John Snook-Absent

Brad Nicodemus is to send a certified letter advising John of motion and inviting him to the next council meeting.

Penny Marquart reported that Bob Pangborn is currently putting in the new meters. She states they may be under warranty. Mayor Henderson advised her to go ahead and pay Badger meter bill. If we get credit we will shelf more meters.

We received a recall on the white truck. Tony is having trouble with the electrical part of truck therefore it can all be done at once.

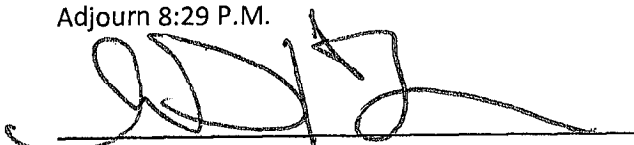
Insurance is debating on whether they will pay for the tree we had removed. Our policy is up this year. Penny does have 2 insurance she is looking at.

Penny advised that Sharon Freeland needs in the shelter house to put her stuff for the Easter Egg Hunt.

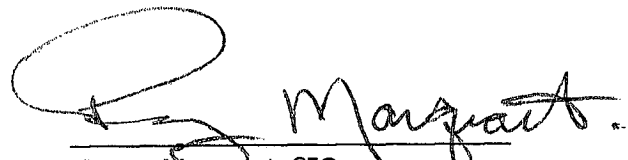
We will be buying more gravel this year. Lots of alleys need fixed.

Bill Mason made motion to adjourn the meeting. Penny Bell seconded.  
Motion carried

Adjourn 8:29 P.M.



Jason Henderson, Mayor



Penny Marquart, CFO