VILLAGE OF PLEASANTVILLE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

October 20, 2022

Jason Henderson, Mayor
Chad West, President
Bob Pangborn, Councilman
Bill Mason, Councilman
Michelle Dumolt, Councilwoman
Barry Williams, Councilman
Jim Munsey, Councilman
Absent
Absent

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all. Roll call taken.

In addition to council in attendance, Penny Marquart, Fiscal Officer, Samantha McCreery, Administrative Assistant, Casey Ash, Village Maintenance, Phil Freeland of 112 Pearl St., Toby and Mia West were in attendance. Bill Vance, Village Consultant arrived at 7:12 pm.

MINUTES:

A motion to approve the Special Session Meeting Minutes from July 15, 2022 was made by Councilman Mason. Second by President West.

President West – yes
Councilwoman Dumolt – abstain
Councilman Mason – yes
Councilman Munsey – absent
Councilman Pangborn – yes
Councilman Williams – absent
Motion carried.

A motion to approve the Special Session Meeting Minutes from September 15, 2022 was made by Councilman Mason. Second by President West.

President West – yes
Councilwoman Dumolt – yes
Councilman Mason – yes
Councilman Munsey – absent
Councilman Pangborn – yes
Councilman Williams – absent
Motion carried.

The minutes from the Special Meeting held September 21, 2022 could not be approved due to a lack of a quorum present.

Mayor Henderson reminds those present that the meeting is being recorded on Facebook Live and that next month's meeting will be on Facebook Live and the Village's new YouTube page.

BUSINESS OF GUESTS:

William Vance, WMV, LLC.

Mr. Vance reports that Walnut Creek Sewer district was awarded grants totaling 1.5 million dollars toward a new sewer plant which will benefit the Village of Pleasantville for years to come. He also reports that WCSD is working on their OPWC grant application.

Phil Freeland of 112 Pearl St. brought an issue with the water billing of his property to council. He says that the letter sent to him by the Village dated August 8, 2022 in which detailed the events and water issues at his property showed an abnormally high monthly amount than what his past bills have shown. He asked of the council, that instead of paying the amount that council has asked of him, he could pay \$507.04 which is the amount that his notes indicated was due. President West made a motion to accept the payment of \$507.04 from Mr. Freeland. Second by Councilman Pangborn.

President West – yes
Councilwoman Dumolt – yes
Councilman Mason – yes
Councilman Munsey – absent
Councilman Pangborn – yes
Councilman Williams – absent
Motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

FINANCE

President West reported that there is nothing big to bring to the council. There will be two resolutions that will be reviewed.

ZONING/PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

President West reports that Teri Wise has left her position as the Village Administrator for the Village of Baltimore and thus her position as Zoning Inspector for the Village of Pleasantville. Baltimore is in the process of hiring a new zoning inspector/village administrator. The question is then, to the VO Baltimore is will they be willing to continue to work with the VO Pleasantville. Mayor Henderson stresses that the Village needs to continue to move forward with the work that Mrs. Wise has done. In the meantime, the Village will work with Officer Rodgers as the zoning inspector.

Chief Tussey, Baltimore PD, indicated to Mayor Henderson that the Baltimore PD is in the process of hiring four new persons in the upcoming months. Councilwoman Dumolt asks if the Baltimore PD would continue to send out letters to residents in violation of zoning. Mayor Henderson replies that they will not, but Officer Rodgers may. Mr. Vance indicates that would be willing to help with this issue in the next few months and perhaps work with council and the mayor to put together a new plan. Mayor Henderson says that there needs to be an outside person not associated with the village for this.

President West reports that Mrs. Wise had sent a letter to 119 Second St. and the person no longer lives there. The house has been sold and the vehicle in violation has been moved.

RECORDS, RULES AND LAW

Councilwoman Dumolt reports that she and Mr. Vance, Village Consultant, have begun working on an employee handbook and policies. They need to schedule a meeting to further this process. Mr. Vance reports they the last draft he and Councilwoman Dumolt have come up with is a "clean draft" and it should be ready to bring to council for approval soon.

RECREATION, COMMUNITY CENTER, AND POOL

Councilman Williams was absent. Mayor Henderson reports that Sharon Freeland of 307 N. Main St. has passed away. Mrs. Freeland has, in the past, organized the village Easter events. Her family has donated all of the leftover Easter stuff Mrs. Freeland had. It is currently in the shelter house and the village would be asking for volunteers to sort through the donation. The toys will be donated to Pleasant Township Fire Department for their toy drive. Mrs. McCreery indicates that this is something the Festival Queens could possibly do.

SAFETY/SERVICE

Councilman Munsey was absent. Mayor Henderson suggests that the safety committee invite Chief Tussey to a meeting to discuss and perhaps set a contract with the police department

COUNTY BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

<u>Regional Planning</u> – Councilwoman Dumolt shares there is nothing to report.

<u>Board of Health ADHOC</u> – Councilwoman Dumolt reports that there was a meeting but had nothing pertaining to Pleasantville.

Mayor Henderson reports the mosquito spraying done by Fairfield County went will this past summer. Pleasantville had the only case of West Nile in the county and within a week the county had it taken care of and had a negative test. According to the map provided by the county, and the witnessing of the council, the county was spraying down every alley and every street and at the house behind Otte Park. The village has been very happy with the decision to move to Fairfield County for the mosquito spraying.

GRANT UPDATES:

Current/Awarded:

OPWC Round 35 (2021) W Columbus Street. Spires Paving has completed (most) of the work on this project. There are a few items on the punch out list that still need to be addressed. These are just small items. There has been nothing but compliments from the village residents about the work completed.

Nature Works Round 27 (2021-22) Otte Park Ball Diamond – in design. Will bid out later this year. Construction on this needs to happen after the baseball season is over. The Village portion of this grant is 15K; the grant will cover up to 45K. Mayor Henderson and Samantha McCreery are working with JFBL to put together a list of "requests" – some of which are relevant to this grant, some of which will remain on the wish list for further grant possibilities. This project will go out for bid soon. There was mention of some persons/businesses associated with JFBL that could be interested in doing the work on this project. They will be directed to contact Alan Brown, Village Engineer to get a bid packet.

ARPA Tank Maintenance. Awarded - \$650K. The Village was awarded this grant. The Village is just waiting on the funds. There was a promissory note received for the funds.

American Rescue Plan – Village has not spent any of the first 50K. The second 50K was received in July 2022. The funds can be used for anything – there are no parameters other than the money must be spent by 2024.

Applied for:

ARPA Funds at Fairfield County. Water treatment plant design and refurbishment. The design for this project is 250K. This grant was denied.

Safe Routes to School. Have applied for this grant. This grant was not awarded. Letters will be sent out in October or November with permission to apply. This process will start again this year for a possible 2024 install. The Village will be working with the Village of Bremen to apply. Alan Brown is working with both villages together. The plan is to have Fairfield Union Local School District apply for the grant and will specify the funds will be for Bremen and Pleasantville only. Mr. Vance says that between now and next year the application will be worked on. Mayor Henderson has reached out to Chad Belville, FULSD Superintendent as the district should be "in charge" of applying and Mayor Henderson suggests having the School District Board of Education and parents of FULSD students work together on this process.

CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization – Year 2022. Possible \$800K. Grant application was submitted on June 2nd. James Maako, Fairfield County, and Alan Brown, Village Engineer are working on this. Should hear back regarding this about September.

American Rescue Plan – Village has not spent any of the first 50K. The next 50K from this grant will post

Coming up:

OPWC 2021. The full amount that can be awarded from this grant will allow the Village, if awarded, to complete more paving, install sidewalks, etc. Walnut Street needs paved again and the storm drops across from Pleasantville Elementary need updated. These could possibly be completed if awarded this grant. The Village will be applying for this grant for work to be done where the lines are "broken" and will work with WCSD. Most of the problems with this are due to grading and it would be difficult to grade due to the ups and downs of the land. The village engineers suggest running the lines down Second Street or in the alley way behind Second Street. To run the lines down the alley behind Second Street, the village would have to obtain permission from Mr. Ott to allow a right of way on his farm. The question posed by Mr. Ott when discussing this briefly was what would happen if he decided to develop the land.

OPWC 2022. The Village will apply for this grant in the fall. If awarded, this grant will allow for the Summit Street storm line to be fixed/replaced. This is about a \$400K project

VILLAGE MAINTENANCE REPORT:

September Highlights

- Worked on Water Plant Paperwork and EPA paperwork
- Working on Asset Management plan along with Emergency/Contingency plan
- Passed EPA inspection with on complaints!!!!!!!!!
- Water Plant repairs to waterline

Repairs:

- 0 Meter replaced
- 0 Curb box replacement
- 0 Curb box relocated for construction
- 0 Shut off valve
- Cut back some limbs and some downed trees around the village
- Completed grading and putting down grindings to build alleys behind Lincoln and
 Foster also completed rebuilding the alley between 1st and 2nd street, drag and
 smoothed all alleys in the Village (put in an alley!!!!) All of the other working
 alleys in the village have been cleaned up
- Cleaned out Town Barn started to bring in salt about 3 truckloads to be ready for winter – have brought in 6 loads
- Painted yellow bars around fire hydrants around the Village and around sidewalks.
- There was a complaint from Walnut Township Fire Department that then Village fire hydrants were not properly marked fixed that
- Pool closed down and winterized
- Shelter House closed and winterized
- Continued GIS mapping
- The Village will need to order new meters very soon

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Fire Department Update</u> – Mayor Henderson tells council that he has to get numbers from the fire departments before putting this issue on the ballot. Councilwoman Dumolt asked if this would go to a tax levy instead of removing money. Mayor Henderson replies that if the Village would "pull out money", the Village would be removed from the township and would not have any fire protection. He says that the tax levy would match what residents are already paying.

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Festival Re-Cap</u> – Mayor Henderson reports that even though the Village spent \$12K on the festival, but the festival made \$8,000.00. The festival would like to donate \$6,000.00 to FULSD - \$1,500.00 to each Pleasantville Elementary PTO, Bremen Elementary PTO, Rushville Middle School Jr. National Honor Society and FU High School National Honor Society. Councilman Mason made a motion to approve a donation of \$6,000.00 to FULSD. Second by Councilwoman Dumolt.

President West - yes
Councilman Munsey -absent
Councilman Williams - absent
Councilman Mason - yes
Councilman Pangborn - yes
Councilwoman Dumolt - yes
Motion carried.

Resolution 10-13-22-01 — A resolution approving the revised 2022 fiscal year budget. The revisions include the following adjustments to appropriations: coronavirus relief fund and revenue update to the coronavirus relief fund. A motion was made to approve the adjustments to the 2022 fiscal year budget was made by Councilman Mason. Seconded by Councilman Pangborn.

President West - yes
Councilman Munsey - absent
Councilman Williams - absent
Councilman Mason - yes
Councilman Pangborn - yes
Councilwoman Dumolt - yes
Motion carried.

Resolution 10-20-22-01 – A resolution approving the revised 2022 fiscal year budget. The updates include the following adjustments to appropriations: other festival, supplies and material, auditor, UAN, other professional and technical service, operating supplies and material, and electric. A motion was made to approve the adjustments to the 2022 fiscal year budget was made by Councilman Mason. Seconded by President West.

President West - yes Councilman Munsey - absent Councilman Williams - absent Councilman Mason - yes Councilman Pangborn - yes Councilwoman Dumolt - yes Motion carried. (New Business, continued...)

Ordinance 10-20-22-01 — An ordinance to establish and adopt an indigent burial policy for the Village of Pleasantville. A motion was made to adopt this policy by Councilman Mason and seconded by Councilwoman Dumolt.

President West - yes
Councilman Munsey - absent
Councilman Williams - absent
Councilman Mason - yes
Councilman Pangborn - yes
Councilwoman Dumolt - yes
Motion carried.

Ordinance 10-20-22-02 — An ordinance giving consent for the Village of Pleasantville to plow snow on SR 188 under the supervision of the Fairfield County Engineer. A motion was made giving consent by President West. Second by Councilman Pangborn.

President West - yes
Councilman Munsey - absent
Councilman Williams - absent
Councilman Mason - yes
Councilman Pangborn - yes
Councilwoman Dumolt - yes
Motion carried.

Resolution 10-20-22-02 — A resolution direction the mayor of the Village of Pleasantville to administrate the pursuit of 2023 Ohio Department of Transportation Safe Routes to Schools (ODOT-STRS) and Transportation Alternatives Program (ODOT-TAP) grant funding opportunities. Mr. Vance reports that Mr. Brown will assist with this application process. A motion was made to grant direction to the mayor by Councilman Mason. Second by President West.

President West - yes
Councilman Munsey – absent
Councilman Williams - absent
Councilman Mason – yes
Councilman Pangborn – yes
Councilwoman Dumolt – yes
Motion carried.

Resolution 10-20-22-03 — A resolution directing the mayor of Pleasantville to file a grant application with ODOT in pursuit of Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant funds. A motion was made to direct the mayor to file the grant application by Councilman Mason. Second by President West.

President West - yes
Councilman Munsey - absent
Councilman Williams - absent
Councilman Mason - yes
Councilman Pangborn - yes
Councilwoman Dumolt - yes
Motion carried.

Resolution 10-20-22-05 — A resolution requesting the inclusion of Summit St. storm sewer improvements, E. Columbus St. storm sewer improvements, the replacement of storm sewer drains on S. Main St. and SR 188, and the water tank upgrades to the 2023 Fairfield County Mitigation Plan project list. A motion was made to request the inclusion by Councilman Mason. Second by Councilman Pangborn.

President West - yes
Councilman Munsey - absent
Councilman Williams - absent
Councilman Mason - yes
Councilman Pangborn - yes
Councilwoman Dumolt - yes
Motion carried.

<u>Walnut Creek Sewer District</u> – Mayor Henderson reports to council that Jack Weidner's seat on the WCSD Board will be expiring on December 31, 2022. Mayor Henderson will have a notice put out for the position.

N. Main St. – The Village has been offered the opportunity to purchase the property at 100 N. Main St. from the International Order of the Odd Fellows. The IOOF's first choice is to sell it to the village. The county's appraised value of \$68,000.00 will be the max bid. After speaking with the IOOF's Grand Master, Mayor Henderson reports that he anticipates that a bid of \$60,000.00 from the village would be accepted. Brad Nicodemus, Village Solicitor, indicates that the village could purchase the building and resell it; an ordinance would need to be drafted to do so. Mayor Henderson reports that the IOOF needs a letter of intent in the next month or two. He says this letter will need to stipulate that the purchase of the building would be contingent upon seeing the whole building, whether it would pass inspection, that the current tenant be removed from the property and that the village anticipates the purchase (after the above are met) of up to \$60,000.00. Mayor Henderson will have the village solicitor draft a letter.

(New Business, continued...)

<u>216 First St.</u> – The residents at 216 First Street had their identity hacked. Their water bill payment was returned as NSF as the account was closed due to it being hacked. It was asked of council to waive the \$50.00 fee the Village charged if the bill and the \$5.00 bank fee were paid. A motion to approve this was made by Councilman Mason and was seconded by Councilwoman Dumolt.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/CONCERNS:

Mayor Henderson reminds council about the turkey dinner at the UMC on Saturday, November 12th.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

None.

Councilman Mason made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Dumolt. Meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Jason D. Henderson, Mayor

Penny Marquart, Fiscal Officer