

**VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 5, 1994 - 7:00 P.M.**

Present: Martha Hanes, James Johnston, Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Wyndal Staggs, Mayor Steve Bowyer, and Clerk-Treasurer Craig

Also Present: Chief of Police Canter, Officer Betty Kirkpatrick, BPA President Mack Hanes, Theresa Bombkamp, Sue Sowers, Ray Steeley and Sean Kelly of Brown County Press

Mayor Bowyer called the meeting to order and asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular June 6th meeting.

A typing error was pointed out, plus the title of "Street Commissioner" behind Mr. Green's name. Johnston moved, Neu seconded the motion to scratch title "Street Commissioner." **VOTING:** YEA: Johnston, Neu, Hanes, Nester, Staggs. NAY: None **MOTION CARRIED.**

There being no further corrections, Johnston moved, Neu seconded the motion to approve the June minutes. **VOTING:** YEA: Johnston, Neu, Hanes, Nester, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Bowyer recognized visitors present. Theresa Bombkamp stated she was there as an interested citizen; Sue Sowers stated she was interested in being appointed to fill the vacancy on Council; Ray Steeley said he was there to obtain more info on the telephone meeting regarding no charge to call Cincinnati. Mayor Bowyer informed Mr. Steeley that he may have more information on the upcoming meeting by the end of Council's meeting.

Mayor Bowyer asked Sue Sowers if she would like to address Council. Sue said she has been a resident of the Village for many years, is currently involved in the Life Squad, and that her husband is the assistant fire chief. Sue continued that she is interested in serving the community further and would like to be considered for Council.

Following discussion, Nester made a motion to have Mayor appoint Sue Sowers as council member to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Wm. Dean Jr., whose term expires December 31, 1995. Staggs seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Nester, Staggs, Hanes, Neu, Johnston. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Bowyer swore in Sue Sowers as a member of the Village of Hamersville Council effective July 5, 1994.

Mayor Bowyer asked Mack Hanes if he had any comments from BPA. President Hanes said that the BPA had made a motion to ask Council to adopt a resolution/ordinance increasing basic water rates for village residents. Georgetown has not notified the Hamersville BPA in writing yet, but the newspaper reported that Georgetown was increasing their water rate as Brown County Rural Water is increasing their rates to Georgetown. Mayor Bowyer said Council would discuss this later in the meeting.

Mayor Bowyer asked Chief Canter if he had any comments for Council.

Chief Canter said his officers were beginning to serve notice on property owners that have "junk cars" parked on their property. Officer Kirkpatrick had already served nine citations.

Councilman Staggs said he had received a lot of good comments regarding Kenny Green, our general maintenance person. Councilman Staggs said he just wanted to put this on the records.

Mayor Bowyer said he had been given a verbal quote of \$500.00 to install garage doors at the police building. Police Department and Council members will install garage doors themselves.

Councilman Neu said he had received a verbal quote for sweeping the Main Street of the Village. John Mohr will sweep for \$40.00 per hour, plus travel time, and he could do all in one day. Following discussion, Johnston moved to hire John Mohr for ten (10) hours "cap" to sweep streets including travel time. Hanes seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Johnston, Hanes, Nester, Neu, Sowers, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.** Councilman Neu will schedule this with Mr. Mohr and Village Police Department.

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Ginn entered the meeting at 7:30 P.M. Mr. & Mrs. Lewis and Sherry Lewis also entered the meeting at this point.

Mayor Bowyer informed Mr. & Mrs. Ginn the procedure of tiling and ditching Congress alley, and that their portion of cost of the tile would be \$497.00. Mr. Ginn questioned, if any of this necessary work that was done in order to pave Congress, created problem of drainage on his property, would Council help him correct it. Council was in agreement to assist if drainage problem was due to paving Congress. Mr. & Ms. Ginn thanked Council for their time and left the meeting.

Mr. Lewis said he had a serious drainage problem due to SR 125 draining onto his property. Council does not know if this is a State problem, a Village problem, or property owner problem.

Street Committee will check Mr. Lewis' problem and report back at the next regular Council meeting.

Mayor Bowyer said he had no update on GTE suit.

Mayor Bowyer related to Council that the preliminary plans for sewers showed installation in front of property instead of back of property. This will be corrected before final plans are drawn; also, few minor problems with funding through FmHA; Brandstetter & Carroll is in the process of getting letter of intent from Georgetown.

Mr. Brandstetter will be at our August meeting.

Mayor Bowyer said the BPA had made a resolution asking Council to adopt an ordinance increasing basic water rates by \$1.00 effective with August 1st bills.

Neu moved to suspend the rules and read by Title Only Ordinance 1994-7, to increase water rates. Hanes seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Neu, Hanes, Johnston, Nester, Sowers, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Neu moved to adopt Ordinance 1994-7 Hanes seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Neu, Hanes, Johnston, Nester, Sower, Staggs. NAY: None. Ordinance 1994-7 adopted.

Hanes made a motion to pay bills as presented. Nester seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Hanes, Nester, Neu, Johnston, Sowers, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Hanes moved, Johnston seconded the motion to go into executive session to discuss matters relating to personnel. **VOTING:** YEA: Hanes, Johnston, Nester, Neu, Sower, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Hanes moved to come out of executive session, Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING:** Yea: Hanes, Neu, Johnston, Nester, Sowers, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Discussion was held on interviewing applicants for Clerk-Treasurer position. Due to work load and priority of Clerk-Treasurer's Craig regular full-time job, she will tender her resignation when someone can fill the unexpired term. Thursday evening, July 7th at 7:00 was set for interviews.

Discussion on putting a four mill levy on November ballot was tabled.

Neu moved to suspend the rules and read by Title Only Resolution 1994-8 Adopting the 1995 Budget Estimate. Hanes seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Neu,

Hanes, Johnston, Nester, Neu, Sowers, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Neu moved, Hanes seconded the motion to adopt Resolution 1994-8 Budget Estimate for 1995. **VOTING:** YEA: Neu, Hanes, Johnston, Nester, Neu, Sower, Staggs. NAY: None. Resolution 1994-8 adopted.

Neu moved, Staggs seconded the motion to suspend the rules and read by Title only Resolution/Ordinance 1994-9 A resolution amending appropriation resolution. **VOTING:** YEA: Neu, Staggs, Hanes, Johnston, Nester, Sowers. NAY: None. Resolution 1994-9 adopted.

Neu moved, Staggs seconded the motion to adopt Resolution/Ordinance 1994-9 resolution amending appropriation resolution. **VOTING:** YEA: Neu, Staggs, Hanes, Johnston, Nester, Sowers. NAY: None. Resolution adopted.

Staggs moved to adjourn the meeting. Hanes seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Staggs, Hanes, Johnston, Nester, Neu, Sowers. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**



Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer