

Village of Hamersville
Regular Council Meeting
August 11, 1993 7:00 P.M.
202 Main Street
Hamersville, Ohio 45130

Present: Mayor Steven Bowyer, Clerk Treasurer Martha Hanes, and Council Members Cheryl Craig, James Johnston, Duane Neu, and Wyndal Staggs.

Also Present: Ms. Eunice Ott from the Brown County Press and Chief James Canter from the Hamersville Police Department. Officer Betty Kirkpatrick and Officer Wayde Blanton, Jesse Nester Irv. Crosswaite and a large group of citizens from Clark, Scott, and Lewis Townships.

Mack Hanes from the Hamersville Board of Public Affairs and Mr. Roger Adkins entered during the meeting.

Mayor Bowyer called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on July 6, 1993. Mr. Johnston motioned seconded by Mr. Neu to approve the minutes as presented. Voting: Johnston: YEA, Neu: YEA, Craig: YEA, Staggs: YEA. Voting: NAY. None. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Bowyer then asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the special council meeting held on July 14, 1993. Mr. Johnston motioned seconded by Ms. Craig to approve the minutes as presented. Voting: Johnston: YEA, Craig: YEA, Neu: YEA, Staggs: YEA. Voting NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Bowyer recognized the speakers for the Citizens from the townships. Mr. Larry Lindsey and Mr. Bob Neu, who spoke once again about the townships not wanting the sewers and asked more questions about the site of the proposed lagoons and how the village planned on over seeing the operations of the sewer systems.

Mayor Bowyer told the group present that he would contact the Engineer Mr. Gene O'Brien and try to get the answers to their questions for the next meeting.

Mr. Lindsey stated that there was no place in the Townships

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for the sewers. and presented the village with the following proposal which he call a solution to all the problems.

Solution :

1. Village sign a written binding agreement with Lewis, Clark, and Scott Township Trustees to keep sewer system and treatment plant within the incorporated area of village.
2. In the future if the village would want to expand into the townships they would agree to give up control and management of the system and form a sewer district. Under a sewer district all affected parties (Townships and Village) would have equal governing power under the control of a sewer district. (This has been entered in the village minutes for reference only the was no action taken on this item.)

After a fifty five minute discussion on the same questions Mayor Bowyer said that he would get some answers from Mr. O'Brien on what the twenty year plan was and what kind of a time frame the village was looking at.

The township people thanked the Council for their time and left the meeting.

Mayor Bowyer recognized Mr. Roger Adkins and asked him what the village could do for him. Mr. Adkins addressed the Council and presented a map of the proposed Adkins Place and Division he is working on; after a question and answer session Mayor Bowyer asked for a motion to accept Adkins Place. Mr. Johnston motioned seconded by Ms. Craig to accept Adkins Place as presented on the map. Voting: Johnston: YEA, Craig: YEA, Neu: YEA, Staggs: YEA. Voting: NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Bowyer introduced Michelle Watson and asked for a motion to appoint her to the position as clerk of the Hamersville Circuit Court. Ms. Craig motioned seconded by Mr. Neu to appoint Ms. Watson to fill the position being vacated by Ms. Kathy Hannah. Voting: Craig: YEA, Neu: YEA, Johnston: YEA, Staggs: YEA. Voting: NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Bowyer asked Chief Canter if he had obtained a firm price quote on a cage for the new police cruiser and Chief Canter

said it would run between \$350.00 and \$450.00. When questioned by council if he felt that the cage was needed Chief Canter said that the village could always use the old cruiser to transport any prisoner that the officers felt were dangerous. and if there was a big problem they could always call on the county for help if needed.

Mayor Bowyer said the village had approved Mr. Darwin H. Emmert to attend the Southern Hill Police Academy. Mr. Emmert to pay all of his own expenses the village will not be furnishing him any equipment or uniforms. Mayor Bowyer instructed the Clerk to send Mr. Emmert a village application for the village records. (LETTER AND APPLICATION WAS MAILED TO MR. EMMERT)

Mr. Johnston requested that the village look at the ditch in front of Mrs. Hignite's property on Walnut Street to see what can be done about the water not flowing properly.

Mayor Bowyer read a letter from Officer Robert Hensley stating that he was resigning as an officer on the Hamersville Police Department. Mr. Johnston motioned seconded by Ms. Craig to accept Mr. Hensleys resignation. Voting: Johnston: YEA, Craig: YEA, Neu: YEA, Staggs: YEA. Voting: NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Johnston suggested that Chief Canter talk to Mr. Hensley and see if he would be interested in staying on as an officer to work short hours. (OFFICER HENSLEYS LETTER IS IN HIS PERSONEL FILE)

Mayor Bowyer presented Ordinance 1993-18 for the first reading.

ORDINANCE 1993-18

Adopting the 1993 S-15 Supplement to the Revised Ohio Basic Code for the Village of Hamersville and declaring an emergency.

Mayor Bowyer recognized Mr. Hanes from the Board of Public Affairs who addressed council in regards to the partition in the building housing the police cruisers and the village utility truck. Mr. Hanes stated that since the door on the side where the truck is stored is not very secure and a number of people have access to Boards side of the building he felt that it would

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be to the villages benefit if the wall was replaced to make the cruisers more secure.

Mr. Irv Crosswaite addressed the council in regards to the police department patrolling and checking around his place of business more often during the night and after business hours. Mr. Crosswaite was instructed to place some "NO LOITERING" signs on the end and the front side of his building; and the Mayor said he would have the police look at this corner more often if needed.

Chief Canter read a letter complimenting Officer Betty Kirkpatrick on the action she took when some one stopped her who had been stung by a bee.

To clarify the hours allowed the village police department Mr. Staggs motioned seconded by Mr. Johnston that the Police Department be allowed to work two hundred and Fifty hours per month. (250) This is the total hours and the hours for the school zone is included in them. This is to retroactive to August 1, 1993 Voting: Staggs: YEA, Johnston: YEA, Craig: YEA, Neu: YEA. Voting: NAY. None. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Bowyer presented certificates of appreciation to the following Officers who attended the training session at the Southern Hills Police Academy. Chief James Canter, and Officers Betty Kirkpatrick, Wayde Blanton and Lonnie Riley.

Chief Canter requested permission to purchase new name tags and lapel buttons for the police department. Mr. Staggs motioned seconded by Mr. Johnston to allow the Chief to order these. Voting: Staggs: YEA, Johnston: YEA, Craig: YEA Neu: YEA. Voting: NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Bowyer read a letter from the clerk treasurer Martha Hanes stating that she would be resigning as clerk treasurer effective August 31, 1993.

Mayor Bowyer said that he could appoint an interm clerk for up to 120 days.

Mayor Bowyer asked for a motion to pay the bills as presented. Mr. Staggs motioned seconded by Mr. Neu to pay the

bills. Voting: Staggs: YEA, Neu: YEA, Craig: YEA, Johnston: YEA. Voting: NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.

The Clerk informed the Mayor that the next regular meeting date is a holiday and Mayor Bowyer rescheduled the meeting for September 8, 1993.

Mayor Bowyer asked if there was any further business to come before the meeting; hearing none Ms. Craig motioned seconded by Mr. Staggs to adjourn.

Mayor Bowyer adjourned the meeting reminding everyone of the next regular meeting September 8, 1993 at 7:00 P.M.


Steven Bowyer-Mayor

Martha Hanes- Clerk Treasurer