

VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE
202 WEST MAIN STREET
HAMERSVILLE, OHIO 45130
Special Village Council and
Board of Public Affairs Meeting
February 26, 2002

Present: Mayor Duane C. Neu, Clerk Treasurer Tammie Ogle, Council Members Diane Shuemake, Donnie Sowers, Betty Kirkpatrick, Wyndal Staggs and Larry Talbott, along with Board of Public Affairs Members Kevin Ogle and Pat Scott.

Also Present: Police Chief Jim Canter, Phil Patton, Solicitor Cecelia Potts, and Samantha and Amanda Ogle.

Mayro Neu called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and then asked Ms. Samantha Ogle to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Staggs and Mr. Talbott met with the Board of Public Affairs last night to discuss Mt. Orab's proposal for the sewer system. Mt. Orab proposed to defer raising our rates for four years, and then had a monthly rate of \$1.84 per 1,000 gallons, based on their estimates of their costs. They want Hamersville to install all of the valves, and then Mt. Orab will take over the maintenance. Setting the meter outside is acceptable to them, and they want to share meter readings to red flag if there is a break in the line. They also want to discuss the smell of the sewage when it gets to Mt. Orab.

Mr. Ogle presented Hamersville's counter proposal of replacing the air release valves, at a cost of \$18,750.00. Doing so raises our rates to \$1.33, as opposed to the agreed upon \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons. We will do so, but do not want to revisit the issue of raising our rates for five years, then we would agree to \$1.33 per 1,000 gallons for a period of five years. After this we want to stay with Mt. Orab only raising our rates the same as their other customers. Mr. Staggs made a motion to present this proposal to Mt. Orab. Mr. Talbott seconded the motion, and the motion carried, all voting yes, except for Ms. Kirkpatrick, who abstained. Ms. Potts will present this to Mt. Orab. Ms. Scott does not like this idea because she feels it will nullify our existing contract if we fix the valves on Mt. Orab's side. Ms. Potts explained to her that since there has never been an official dedication to Mt. Orab, they have not accepted the line. We will write into the contract amendment that the work is acceptable to them.

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Mr. Staggs asked Ms. Potts if we can have a part-time Police Officer also work on the streets, and still be part time. Ms. Potts replied that the hours would count for both, so we need to limit hours.

Chief Canter informed the Council that our new Auxiliary Police Officer wants to ride along. Ms. Potts told him it was fine, but we can have him sign a waiver.

Ms. Kirkpatrick made a motion to hire Phil Patton permanently as a part-time Police officer. Mr. Talbott seconded the motion, and the motion carried all members voting yes. Ms. Kirkpatrick told Mr. Patton congratulations. Mr. Staggs made a motion to pay Mr. Patton \$8.00 per hour, starting March 1. Ms. Kirkpatrick seconded the motion, and the motion carried, all members voting yes.

We will put up "Narrow Street" signs on both ends of Sisterville Road. Mr. Sowers talked to Paul Rumpke about doing a cleanup in town. We could do it on a Saturday or on the regular day at the curb.

Mr. Staggs made a motion to employ Phil Patton as street maintenance at \$8.00 per hour, providing combined hours do not exceed 120 per month. Ms. Shuemake seconded the motion, and the motion carried, all voting yes. He will answer to the Street Committee, with Chief Canter controlling hours. Mr. Staggs made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Kirkpatrick seconded the motion. The motion carried, all voting yes.

Duane C. Neu, Mayor

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Donnie Sowers, Council

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Tammie Ogle, Clerk Treas.