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Regular Village Council Meeting
Monday May 11, 1998 7:04 P. M.

Present: Mayor Duane C. Neu, Clerk Treasurer Martha Hanes, and the following members of the village council; William Dean Sr. Joyce Craig, Donald Sowers, Sue Sowers, Bryan Stewart.

Absent Wyndal Staggs.

Also Present: Eunice Ott from the Brown County Press, Sandy Hickman from the News Democrat, James Canter Chief of the Hamersville Police Department, Lt. Betty Kirkpatrick from the Hamersville Police Department and Officer Mark Cresap from the HPD. Kenny Green, Edward Martin, and Clinton Fitzpatrick and Rodney Gray.

Mayor Neu called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M . and recognized Rodney Gray who was present at the meeting to discuss the placement of the Grinder station on his property on Fite Avenue. Mr. Gray stated that he plans to build a house and would like the grinder station relocated. Mr. Gray was also concerned about the restoration of his lawn. Mr. Dean assured Mr. Gray that the restoration would be taken care of when the sewer construction is completed. The grinder pump will be relocated at the site chosen by Mr. Gray.

Mayor Neu called for a motion to accept the minutes of the April 1998 meeting.

Mr. Dean motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Mr. Stewart seconded the motion. All voted YEA. Opposed none. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Neu gave the second reading on ORDINANCE 1998-3 AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE FOR ITS EXPENSES INCURRED BY REASON OF THE CONFINEMENT OF PERSONS CONVICTED OF OFFENSES IN VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE.

Mayor Neu presented ORDINANCE 1998-5 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING'S OHIO BASIC CODE, 1998 EDITION AS THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF HAMERSVILLE, OHIO , AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Dean motioned to suspend the rules and give the second and third readings by title only. Ms. Sowers seconded the motion. All voted YEA. Opposed None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Ms. Sowers motioned to adopt ORDINANCE 1998-5. Mr. Dean seconded the motion. All voted YEA. Opposed None. **MOTION CARRIED.** (Complete copy of this ordinance will become part of these minutes on the last pages)

Mayor Neu informed the council that Officer Darwin Emmert had submitted his letter of resignation from the Hamersville Police Department. Ms. Craig motioned to accept the resignation. Mr. Stewart seconded the motion. All Voted YEA. Opposed None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Neu presented Ordinance 1998-4 THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE.

Ms. motioned to suspend the rules and give the second and third readings by title only. Mr. Dean seconded the motion.

Ms. Craig motioned to adopt ordinance 1998-4. Mr. Stewart seconded the motion. All Voted. YEA. Opposed NONE. **MOTION CARRIED.** (A COMPLETE COPY OF

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The council had in their possession a copy of the revised agreement with the village of Mt. Orab for the treatment of Sewerage.

Mr. Dean motioned to accept the agreement. Mr. Sowers seconded the motion. All Voted YEA. Opposed None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The following items was discussed:

1. Truck parking on East Main Street for extended periods of time. Mayor will check with the solicitor and see how the village can handle this.
2. Rumble Strips on State Route 774 at the intersection of State Route 125. Mayor Neu will check with Mr. Beasley at ODOT and see what can be done about this intersection.
3. Ed Dean on East Main street wants the yellow lines extended in the front of his house.
4. Mr. Sowers reported that the tar pot had been sold.
5. Mr. Martin reported that he felt that the ditches on North Avenue needed to be cleaned to eliminate some of the water problems on North Avenue. Mr. Dean said he would call Mr. Cooper and have the ditch work completed on Wooster Avenue and then have Mr. Cooper start clearing the ditches on North Avenue.
6. Mr. Dean reported that he was to purchase the DB Meter and he had forgotten to do it.

Chief Canter spoke to the Council in regards to the loud radios and how the council wanted the police to handle this situation.

Chief Canter reported that the Ford Police Car had been repaired and the Chief extended a Thank You to Eric Mullis for his cooperation in get the car repaired, Chief Canter had an application from Clinton Fitzpatrick to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Darwin Emmert.

Chief Canter said that Mr. Fitzpatrick was fully certified and the only thing he would need is to be qualified and the village would need to order some uniforms for him.

Mr. Fitzpatrick is presently employed by the Brown Count Sheriffs Department. as a special Deputy.

Ms. Craig motioned to hire Clinton Fitzpatrick on a probationary period for six months on the recommendation of Chief Canter at a pay rate of \$5.25 per hour.

Mr. Dean seconded the motion. All Voted YEA. Opposed NONE. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chief Canter reported that four of the Hamersville police officers had received plaques from MADD.

The Chief said he was very impressed with the Madd program and supports it 100 %

The county wide police memorial will be Friday May 15, 1998 at 1:00 P.M. at Georgetown and the Village of Hamersville will be represented.

Mayor Neu swore in Clinton Fitzpatrick. (Copy of Oath to become part of these minutes on the last pages)

The village will be contacting Cincinnati Sweeper Company about sweeping the streets.

Mr. Green reported that he would be working with the township on clean up days on May 22, 23, 24.

The clerk informed the Council that the copy machine warranty was running out and how would they like to have this issue handled. Mr. Stewart motioned to purchase the extended warranty. Ms. Sowers seconded the motion. All Voted YEA. Opposed NONE. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Council reviewed the voucher for the payment of village bills as presented and Mr. Dean motioned to pay the bills as presented, Ms. Craig seconded the motion. All VOTED YEA. OPPOSED NONE. **MOTION CARRIED.**

It was noted to have Mr. Dunn recheck on the electric at the Whisman residence on east Main Street.

The clerk asked the council to consider some part time help due to the work load involving the sewers. Mr. Dean and Mayor Neu said they was in favor of a little part time help for the clerk. Ms. Craig said she felt the general fund could not afford the expense of additional help.

Mayor Neu asked if there was any further business to come before the council; hearing none Mr. Dean motioned to adjourn and Mr. Stewart seconded the motion.

Mayor Neu adjourned the meeting reminding everyone of the next regular meeting on June 8, 1998 at 7: 00 P.M.

Duane C. Neu - Mayor

Martha Hanes - Clerk Treasurer