

VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE
Regular Council Meeting
June 6, 1994 - 7:00 P.M.

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

Absent: William Dean, Jr.

Also Present: Chief of Police, Jim Canter, Officer Kirkpatrick, Todd Baumlough, Theresa Bombkamp, Annette Ginn, Eunice Ott, Brown County Press.

Vice Mayor Duane Neu called the meeting to order.

Vice Mayor Neu asked if there were any corrections or additions to minutes of the regular meeting of May 2.

Johnston moved, Hanes seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting May 2, 1994. **VOTING: YEA:** Johnston, Hanes, Nester, Staggs. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Bowyer entered the meeting. Vice Mayor Neu turned the meeting over to Mayor Bowyer.

Mayor Bowyer recognized visitors and asked if they were there for specific purposes or just attending. Mrs. Ginn replied that they were only there as interested Village residents.

Mayor Bowyer asked BPA President Hanes if he had any comments for Council. President Hanes replied, School is getting a new modular and talking of installing a new parking lot. Electrical conduit should be installed before new parking lot.

Mayor Bowyer asked Chief Canter if he had any comments for Council. Chief Canter said he and his officers will soon be "cracking" down on "junk cars" in Village. Also, that the Police Committee has received copies of Todd Baumlough's resume.

Todd would like for Village to sponsor him to attend Police Training at The Joint Vocational School. Following discussion, Hanes moved to sponsor Todd Baumlough to police training, providing Todd thoroughly understands there is "NO" job available as a Hamersville police officer, upon his completion of the schooling. Staggs seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Hanes, Staggs, Johnston, Nester, Neu. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Hanes moved, Nester seconded the motion to suspend the rules and read by Title Only Resolution/Ordinance 1994-3A. Resolution for Election on Tax Levy. Exceeding ten mill limitation. **VOTING:** YEA: Hanes, Nester, Johnston, Neu, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Hanes moved to adopt Resolution/Ordinance 1994-3A. Resolution for Election on Tax Levy, Exceeding ten mill limitation (A renewal of 1.7 mill). Johnston seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Hanes, Johnston, Nester, Neu, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

A very lengthy heated discussion began on an Income Tax for Village.

Some Council members wanted to put an Income Tax on Ballot and let residents decide, and others, say "No" to Income Tax.

Johnston moved to install on November ballot 1/2 of one percent Income Tax in Village of Hamersville for general operating expense. Hanes seconded the motion. **VOTING:** Johnston, YEA; Hanes, YEA; Nester, Nay; Staggs, Nay; Neu abstained. **MOTION FAILED.**

Discussion was then held on the possibility of putting an additional 4.5 mills for five years for general operating expense on the November ballot.

Council also discussed the idea of pulling both a renewal of 1.7 mill plus an additional 4.5 mills on the same ballot.

No further discussion was held on this matter.

Council then turned their attention to Congress Alley. Hanes informed Council that contractor Rose will ditch both sides of Congress, and restore ready to be paved. Rose will also tile where needed. Village will pay contractor for digging ditch and installing tile, but property owner Ginn will have to pay for the tile. Hanes made a motion to hire Sherman Rose & Sons, Inc. to ditch tile Congress Alley where there presently is tile. Not to exceed \$2250 in cost. Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Hanes, Neu, Johnston, Nester, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Discussion was held again on GTE installing optic cable over our water main. If BPA ever has a water main break near GTE's cable, we could damage cable. GTE must remove this installation which is above our water line. Johnston moved to have Solicitor Leicht proceed with suit proceedings. Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING:** YEA: Johnston, Neu, Hanes, Nester, Staggs. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Bowyer told Council a July date is planned for a hearing on extended phone service to Cincinnati. More information will be coming on the hearing.

Councilman Johnston addressed subject of mailboxes "for decoration purpose only." Some residents do have mailboxes in their year but they are any for a decoration.

Ordinance #237 "Mailbox within the Village" was again discussed. Neu made a motion to recind Ordinance #237. Again a heated discussion arose. Neu withdrew his motion. Hanes moved to table the discussion on mailboxes until next meeting. Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA: Hanes, Neu, Johnston, Nester, Staggs. NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.**

Kenny Green , Street Commissioner said JTPA starts Monday. JTPA employees work 32 hours per week but Mr. Green is only scheduled for 25 hours per week. Discussion followed on perhaps rescheduling or increasing Mr. Green's hours. No decision was made on this matter. Also the discussion was held on renting a bobcat for sweeping the streets.

Councilman Johnston left the meeting at 8:40 P.M.

Bruce Brandstetter, engineer for sewer project entered the meeting. Bruce just wanted to give Council an updated preliminary engineering report on the sewers.

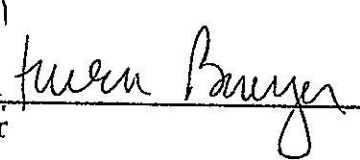
Due to budget crunch Clerk-Treasurer Craig asked Council if she is to continue to pay Chief Canter all hours worked over his normal regular 40 hours. Council was in agreement to continue paying Chief Canter for every hour that he submits on his time sheet.

Due to next regular meeting scheduled for July 4, Staggs moved, Neu seconded the motion to have next regular meeting Tuesday, July 5, 1994. **VOTING: YEA: Staggs, Neu, Hanes, Nester. NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.**

Clerk-Treasurer Craig will post notice change.

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

Mayor Bowyer adjourned the meeting.



Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer