

VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE
Village Council Meeting
February 19, 2024

The Council of the Village of Hamersville met in regular session at the Village Municipal Building on February 19, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Members present were **Mary Edwards, Beverly Coomer, Jerry Seibert, Melanie Trumble, Dale Owsley and Don Wilson**. Also present were: Mayor Justin Jones, Police Chief/Village Administrator Guy Sutton, Sgt. Travis Stone, Asst. Village Administrator Melissa Zahn, Lonie Luttrell, Utilities, David Grimes, Solicitor.

Residents: Angela Marlow and James Coomer

The meeting was called to order with the pledge at 7:00 p.m.

New Business:

Louie Luttrell – Need pay raise for ground guy to assist Louie, \$15.00 per hour is not competitive.

Louie Luttrell - \$2250.00 is quote to have A&E Door install openers on both doors; 2 of 3 doors would be operational.

Motion by Mary Edwards to approve the installation of the door openers by A&E Doors in the amount of \$2250.00. Seconded by Dale Owsley. All in favor. Motion carried.

Must solve the utility ground person for Louie, but cannot hire for the wage the Village offers.

Melanie Trumble – Can we call this position dual purpose? A Village maintenance and utilities worker?

Chief pay roll is an issue.

Cross train sewer/water/street to help Louie.

Tim part time at 10 hours a day 3 days a week.

New full-time 10 hours a day 4 days a week, double coverage.

One day single coverage – 6 days

Melanie Trumble – a committee with Tim and Louie to see better what we need.

Mary Edwards – a concrete job description.

Melanie Trumble – a utilities committee meeting is needed

Guy Sutton – fiscal officer, no one is close to us. We need to find a fiscal officer or we would need to hire an accounting firm.

Melanie Trumble – research into contracting a lawyer about them doing fill in work

Gary Justin has some information

Ask Tyler Fisher his wife is qualified but asked for a resume

Matt Ernst also interested but no further contact

Guy Sutton – anyone at State Auditor office but none has.

James Coomer – resident – asked about contracting all of maintenance utilities work

Mary Edwards – stated that would not be in the budget

Mary Edwards – Veterans banners the old places is an hour and half away

Melanie Trumble – states she would call. Two are in progress

Mary Edwards – residents paid for these and we need to get them

Melissa Zahn – Canter and Lawrence are missing I'll call tomorrow

Justin Jones – knows of a company close then Summerville

Old Business:

Melanie Trumble – we need to appoint a President of Council

Justin Jones – we need his blessing of the current president but if we need to appoint one we need to then

Dale – I can do it

Mary Edwards – Dale can have it

Melanie Trumble – check with Don first.

Motion by Melanie Trumble to appoint Dale Owsley as President of Council for 2024. Seconded by Mary Edwards. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mary Edwards moved and Don Wilson seconded to approve the third and final reading of the ordinance 1999-23 amendment on the zoning change from lot size of 20,000 square feet to 14,500 square feet. Motion passed by roll call vote as follows: Ms. Edwards – yes, Ms. Coomer – yes, Mr. Seibert – yes, Ms. Trumble – yes, Mr. Wilson – yes.

Guy Sutton – read the street remaining Clark Street to Dennis Schneider Street

Mary Edwards read the Ordinance in its entirety for the third and final reading no Ordinance Number is available.

Guy – Melissa how are the Ordinance numbers generated?

Melissa Zahn – Year – Ordinance number example Ordinance 2024-01 for the first ordinance

Mary Edwards made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-04, Dale Owsley, seconded, Melanie – Yes; Beverly – no; Jerry – Yes; Ordinance 2024-04 is the ordinance number

Beverly Coomer – What about missing ordinances?

Justin Jones – Which ones?

Beverly Coomer – Here is a list

Melanie Trumble – What is the issue?

Beverly Coomer – We have ordinances that have no resolution paperwork and or ordinance paperwork

Melissa Zahn – Ordinances must be in a binder but resolution can be in minutes. I have resolutions but no Ordinances

Beverly Coomer – are we placing an ad for fiscal officer?

Guy Sutton – it should be in the paper

Mary Edwards – it needs to be online, indeed

Justin Jones – indeed \$5.00 a day or \$150.00 month

Jerry Seibert motioned indeed to post fiscal officer position. Mary seconded, all in favor.

Jerry Seibert made a motion to put job posting of fiscal officer, a \$200 limit to post the position on indeed. Mary Seconded. All in favor.

Jerry Seibert moved and Mary Edwards seconded to approve January minutes. Motion carried.

Financial:

Melanie Trumble moved and Jerry Seibert seconded to approve payment of the current bills. Motion carried.

Melanie Trumble – Facebook vs one call system

Beverly Coomer – through social media is now required

New Business:

Melanie Trumble – February 12th House Bill 33 \$700 Million available – (read the Capital Funding Bill Monday April 8th)

Melanie Trumble – Sidewalks and storm drains

Guy Sutton – Storm drains sewer – two different subjects; EPA/FDD want to see an overall program. Water issue/sewer issue, write it all out

Guy Sutton – we have some steel plates but we must upgrade as replace. Sewer is still our biggest issue. EPA contact for engineering firm to get help with the grant.

Justin Jones – Who is it?

Guy Sutton – They do the work so they will approve the complete work also

731.21 – you can post paper/social media

Angela Marlow – Capital funding typically requires matching funds

Mary Edwards – get a contact

Jerry Seibert – Mr. Middleton

Justin Jones – Call him tomorrow

Guy Sutton – I've measured sidewalk and council should have that

Guy Sutton – Rumpke – April 1st rates are raising

Melissa Zahn - \$0.95 increase till 2021 March 31st

Guy Sutton - \$22.00 should be the number to build a buffer

Justin Jones - \$21.95 @ 295 units

David Grimes – Must have a new resolution

Jerry Seibert motion to change new trash price \$21.00 + \$0.95 increase, \$23.50 + \$1.05 additional to pay for vacancies and \$0.50, Mary Seconds. Motion carried.

Guy Sutton – Billing utility customers who breach/abuse equipment. Baby wipes, cigar tips, grease, etc.

Justin Jones – do we charge for a rebuild? How many problem homes do we have?

Beverly Coomer – Rent or own?

Justin Jones – Owner/Tenant

Guy Sutton – 17 to 20 pumps a year \$7500.00 a piece, 10 are due to negligence

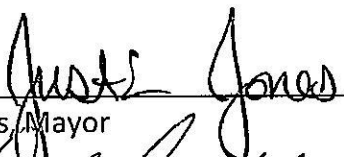
David Grimes – Charging interest is not unlawful

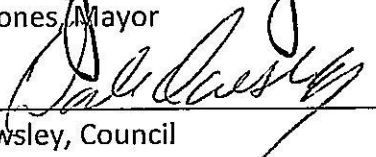
Justin Jones – we need to do a direct approach for these problem consumers

Repeat offenders put on notice. We need a notice type issue written up of what they are causing to do the damage. Jerry Seibert will draft something.

Dale – Heritage Dy instead of the 4th

Mary Edwards moved and Jerry Seibert seconded to adjourn the meeting.


Justin Jones, Mayor


Dale Owsley, Council

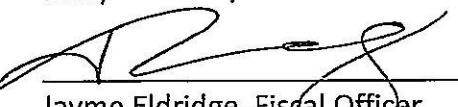

Melanie Trumble, Council


Jerry Seibert, Council


Don Wilson, Council


Beverly Coomer, Council


Mary Edwards, Council


Jayme Eldridge, Fiscal Officer