

VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE
202 MAIN STREET
HAMERSVILLE, OHIO 45130
Regular Village Council Meeting
March 10, 2003

Present: Mayor Duane C. Neu, Wyndal Staggs, Larry Talbott, Kevin Ogle, Betty Kirkpatrick, Diana Shuemaker, Crystal Haas and Clerk-Treasurer Tammie Ogle.

Also Present: Carolyn & Gary Donner, Police Chief Jim Canter, Jared Riley, Ben Graham, Kenny Green and Cecelia Potts.

Mayor Neu called this meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and then led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Neu then recognized Mr. Talbott, who wanted to discuss the question of a Board of Public Affairs and a Village Administrator. He asked Ms. Potts for her views on the matter. Ms. Potts explained the financial differences would be the only actual differences between the two. A Village Administrator would cost more, but it would go smoothly if the Administrator got along well with the Council. She explained that Council would have more control with an administrator because they can hire and fire that person.

Ms. Haas asked if there was a problem with the existing Board. Mr. Staggs said that there is not, they are just discussing possibilities. He said that if the Mayor had been out there doing the job, then there would not have been any conflicts. Mr. Staggs told the Council that he wants to work with the Board to try to fix any problems. He suggested leaving an administrator as a last resort.

Ms. Shuemaker informed the Council that she absolutely does not want to raise the sewer rates. She commented that Hamersville is one of the most expensive places around here to live.

The Clerk Treasurer presented the minutes from the previous meeting. Ms. Kirkpatrick made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, and Mr. Ogle seconded the motion. The motion carried, all members voting yes.

The Clerk Treasurer presented all bills to the Council as follows:

6902.15	H'ville Payroll	Payroll	1000-110-190
3253.34	PERS	Employer's Share	1000-110-211
500.00	Amanda Booher	Miscellaneous	1000-720-690
1132.61	National Bank	Other	1000-720-690

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17.00	Norma's Sew & Save	Uniforms	1000-110-270
99.38	Verizon North	Telephone	1000-110-321
211.73	Galls	Uniforms	1000-110-270
141.47	Viking	Office Supplies	2401-110-420
20.00	BC Sheriff	Other	1000-720-399
103.40	Dayton Legal	Office Supplies	1000-710-410
134.92	Schneider's	Supplies	1000-720-690
400.00	Cecelia Potts	Legal Services	1000-750-341
950.00	Cornett's Lawn	Contract Serv	2011-620-396
22.75	Tammie Ogle	Mileage	5101-531-252
77.35	Kay Elliott	Mileage	5101-531-252
37.00	Postmaster	Postage	5301-511-322
4.42	Postmaster	Postage	2401-110-420

Mr. Ogle made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Ms. Kirkpatrick seconded the motion, and it carried, with all members voting yes.

Mr. Ogle informed the Council that the rhino liner is too expensive. Mr. Ogle made a motion to have Mr. Green pick up a rubber mat. Mr. Staggs seconded the motion. The motion carried, with all members voting yes.

Mr. Staggs informed the Council that we no longer have a water faucet at the sewer pump station. Ameritcon cut ours off, and did not re-connect it. We need a frost-free faucet there.

Mr. Staggs had a meeting with Ben Houser at Mt. Orab concerning the Bioxide. We had to turn it up to eleven gallons per day. He thinks we need to work with Mt. Orab because everyone there was nice and helpful to him.

Mayor Neu checked on the feasibility of using the E-One pumps for the requested car wash. It would require a filter.

Palace Locksmith will be here next week to change the locks on the electric building. The State will take care of the big pothole here next week. Mr. Staggs made a motion to have Mr. Green buy some metal to cover it in the meantime. Mr. Talbott seconded the motion, and the motion carried, all members voting yes. Mr. Green will get it at Thomas Welding.

Jared will fix the potholes on Sisterville as soon as possible.

Mr. Staggs got a price for street sweeping from Contract Sweepers. It

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is \$695.00 for the first time, and \$305 for the second and third times, and we have to supply a dumpster. Mr. Ogle made a motion to have it done all three times, and Mr. Talbott seconded the motion. The motion carried, with all members voting yes.

Mr. Staggs brought a bid to fix the concrete and doors on the Sewer, police and Water buildings. It is \$725.00 from Craig Miller. Mr. Ogle made a motion to have it taken care of. Ms. Kirkpatrick seconded the motion, and it carried, all members voting yes. Mr. Staggs will call Mr. Miller.

Mayor Neu recognized Chief Canter, who thanked Mr. Ogle for his work on the lights at the Mayor's Court. He then asked for an ad in the Brown County Press and News Democrat informing residents that the police Department will begin ticketing for junk cars and trash. The Clerk will take care of it. Ms. Potts will write an Ordinance concerning blowing grass and leaves into the street when mowing.

The Bicentennial Committee wants to have a pig roast, booths, etc., and maybe some music in the park. Ms. Kirkpatrick will ask the Fire Department to help with the tenderloin for a Village wide picnic.

Ms. Shuemake asked about planting trees along the street. Mr. Staggs told her it would not work because of the roots. She would like to look into some planters.

Mayor Neu read his resignation, citing health reasons. Mr. Talbott thanked the Mayor for the job he has done, and then made the motion to accept the resignation. Ms. Haas seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in the following: Ms. Haas-yes, Ms. Shuemake-yes, Ms. Kirkpatrick-yes, Mr. Talbott-yes, Mr. Staggs-yes, Mr. Ogle-abstain because he did not want to see the Mayor go. The motion carried.

Mr. Ogle made a motion to have Ms. Potts swear in Mr. Staggs as Mayor, and Mr. Talbott seconded the motion. The motion carried, all members voting yes. Ms. Potts swore Mr. Staggs in.

Ms. Kirkpatrick made a motion to elect Mr. Talbott President of Council. Ms. Shuemake seconded the motion, and the motion carried, all members voting yes. Ms. Potts then swore Mr. Talbott in.

Ms. Kirkpatrick will take Mr. Staggs' place on the Police Committee.

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Council told the Clerk Treasurer to put ads in the Brown County Press and News Democrat to inform residents that we are in need of Council and Board Members, should anyone be interested.

Mr. Ogle made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Haas seconded the motion. The motion carried, all members voting yes.

Wyndal E. Staggs
Wyndal Staggs, Mayor

Larry Talbott
Larry Talbott, President

Crystal Haas
Crystal Haas, Council

Betty Kirkpatrick
Betty Kirkpatrick Council

Kevin Ogle
Kevin Ogle, Council

Diana Shuemaker
Diana Shuemaker, Council

Tammie Ogle
Tammie Ogle, Clerk Treas.