

VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 1, 1995 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Steve Bowyer, Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes, Clerk-Treasurer Sherri Lewis.

ALSO PRESENT: Police Chief Jim Canter, Denny Schneider, Robert Pollitt, Gary Sowers, Eunice Ott of Brown County Press.

Martha Hanes motioned to adjourn the meeting of April 3, 1995. Sue Sowers seconded the motion.
VOTING: YEA: Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes.
NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Steve Bowyer called the meeting of May 1, 1995 to order at 7:13 p.m. and asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of April 3, 1995 minutes,

Martha Hanes motioned to accept the minutes of April 3, 1995 with the exception of a correction. Duane Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Duane Neu motioned to pay the bills. Martha Hanes seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mack Hanes stated that the Water Tower had been fixed. The Village received the license plates for the new Digger Derrick. Mack Hanes also stated that he had contacted a few contractors for building repairs to give estimates.

Jim Canter reported a B & E at the Feed Mill, April 30, 1995. Jim stated that a statement had been made to him that the police should patrol at night instead of in the day. Jim stated that it was up to the Village if they wanted the police hours to change. Sgt. Kirkpatrick issued several warrants for running dogs.

Jim Canter stated that the new Cruiser was in need of new tires, as the belts have started to come through on the old ones. He had talked with Kirby Cornett and can get tires for \$65.00 each.

Martha Hanes motioned to purchase 4 new tires for the police car. Duane Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Jim Canter also stated that the white police cruiser was in need of regular maintenance.

Martha Hanes motioned to have preventative maintenance for the white cruiser. Joyce Craig seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Jim Canter stated that Officer Emmert would now be working the school zone in the mornings when able. Officer Bender got another job to work in the mornings at \$8.00 per hour.

Sue Sowers questioned if there was any grant money available for the police protection. Mayor Steve Bowyer stated that the monies were pretty much used up. Sue Sowers asked if there was a possibility of adding a tax levy on the ballot. Mayor Steve Bowyer stated we could explore the possibility of the grants. Sue Sowers feels that as the town grows, there will be more trouble if we can't afford more police protection.

Denny Schneider questioned if the police could adjust their hours since he has been broken into 4 times in 2 years. It seems that the weekends are when he is being broken into. Mayor Steve Bowyer questioned Jim Canter if there was some way he could adjust the weekend time schedule. Jim Canter stated he would do what he could.

Police Chief Jim Canter suggested the Village start an auxillary unit where the people get paid for 10 hours and donate 10 hours, plus receive a uniform.

Martha Hanes motioned to place an add in the paper for fully certified auxillary offices. Duane Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Robert Pollitt questioned what requirements there were in the Village on building lots. He stated that he may be purchasing a lot or two in the Village. Robert Pollitt also questioned if we could slow the traffic down on Fite Ave.

Mayor Steve Bowyer stated we have several issues we are looking at to provide better and or more police protection.

Kenny Green heard from JTPA, and will be getting a couple of kids for the summer.

Jesse Nester questioned the McKinney property and old buildings. Mayor Steve Bowyer stated that a letter was sent and that the McKinney's have until the 15th of May to comply with the request.

People with questions on filling there cysterns up, are to get in contact with the Street Committee.

Martha Hanes motioned to suspend the rules and give 2nd and 3rd reading by title only. Duane Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Steve Bowyer received the engagement agreement from Ross Sinclair & Associates, Inc. in reference to underwrite the Sewer Mortgage if the monies were needed. Mayor Steve Bowyer needed councils approval to sign and accept the engagement agreement.

Duane Neu motioned to accept the engagement agreement as written. Joyce Craig seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The clerk was instructed to run an add in the News Democrat in reference to all owners of lots and property in the Village of Hamersville that they are required to mow their property at least once each month during the months of May-October by order of the Mayor Steve Bowyer per Ordinance No. 1988-7.

Clean-up day for the Village of Hamersville will be June 14, 1995. Unacceptable items are as listed. Refridgerators, Air Conditioners, Battery's, Tires.

Martha Hanes stated there is a problem with a culvert on Wooster owned by Joshua Wagner. Mayor Steve Bowyer stated he would send a letter to notify the need of repair.

Mayor Steve Bowyer suggested that the Street Committee may want to look at some of the streets and check for repairs that are needed.

Denny Schneider questioned if the Village had considered taking the sewers to Mt. Orab. Mayor Steve Bowyer stated it was something being looked at.

Martha Hanes motioned to go into executive session. Duane Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING:**
YEA: Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:**
None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Duane Neu motioned to come out of executive session. Joyce Craig seconded the motion. **VOTING:**
YEA: Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:**
None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Duane Neu motioned to recess the meeting. Martha Hanes seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:**
Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Sue Sowers, Joyce Craig, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None.
MOTION CARRIED.

MAYOR
Steve Bowyer

CLERK-TREASURER
Sherri Lewis