

VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE
Regular Meeting
April 4, 1994 - 7:00 P.M.

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

Absent: William Dean, Jr., Wyndal Staggs

Also Present: BPA President Mack Hanes, Police Chief James Canter, Eunice Ott of
the Brown County Press, and Dale Fite representing Clark-Township Fire
Department.

Mayor Bowyer called the meeting to order. Mayor Bowyer asked if there were any
additions or correction to the minutes of the regular meeting of March 7.

Johnston moved to accept the minutes as presented. Neu seconded the motion.

VOTING: YEA: Johnston, Neu, Hanes, Nester. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Bowyer asked Mr. Fite if he wanted to address Council. Mr. Fite explained
his reason for being there was to asked Council to again approve the annual Fire &
Emergency service contract with Lewis & Scott Townships.

Following discussion Hanes move, Neu seconded the motion to accept the contracts
for each Lewis & Scott Townships. **VOTING:** YEA: Hanes, Neu, Johnston, Nester.
NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Bowyer asked BPA President if he had any comments for Council. President
Hanes said that the old transformers have been pick up; that the application to
proceed with engineering, etc. for installing new roofs on community buildings is in
process of completion. Mayor Bowyer suggested that Bruce Brandstetter of
Brandstetter & Carroll may be able to assist with application.

Mayor Bowyer informed Council that Darwin Emmrett was still interested in
working for the Village in an auxiliary position. Mayor Bowyer said Mr. Emmrett
did not receive letter due to incorrect address.

Council asked Chief Canter what he thought about hiring Mr. Emmrett as auxiliary
Police Officer. Chief Canter replied that to hire another officer after reducing the
hours of current police department did not make sense to him. Discussion
followed.

Police Chief Canter informed Council that the battery in the white police cruiser

continuously goes "dead" and problem cannot be located. Chief Canter requested permission to have Harry Martin check into the problem. Johnson moved, Neu seconded the motion to allow Harry Martin to work on the white crusier. VOTING: YEA: Johnston, Neu, Hanes, Nester. NAY: None **MOTION CARRIED.**

Councilman Neu said he had still not heard anything from CG&E on whether or not they were interested in purchasing the Village electric system.

Kenny Green entered the meeting.

Mayor Bowyer said it was time for Council to consider a Village "Clean-Up" Day. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of opinion for May 4th to be set as clean-up day. Mayor Bowyer will verify date with Rumpke.

Mayor Bowyer said Solicitor is currently working on updating ordinance on junk cars. Police Chief Canter commented on this matter. Chief Canter said those in violation of the junk car ordinance which is having unlicensed cars parked on their property will receive warning letters and then if no action is taken, offenders will be cited to Mayor's Court.

Mayor Bowyer said also that a notice on mowing will have to be published in the paper. This notice is to inform general public that property owners are to keep their lots mowed once each month, May through October.

Kenny Green, Street Commissioner will be the one to keep an eye on progress of lots not being mowed.

Comprehensive Crime Coverage Insurance for Village was mentioned. BPA will handle this.

Mayor Bowyer read a letter he received from the Ohio Department of Transportation. The letter informed the Mayor that the State was willing to repair the three catch basins on SR 774 for a total of \$225.00 and a patrolman and vehicle to use for help in traffic control. Following discussion, Neu moved to accept ordinance 1994-6, an emergency ordinance authorizing the Ohio Department of Transportation to do the necessary work to replace the catch basin tops at three locations within the village on SR 774. Hanes seconded the motion. VOTING: YEA: Neu, Hanes, Johnston, Nester. NAY: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

This is the first reading of Ordinance 1994-6.

Council member Jesse Nester again brought up his concern about Irv Crosswaite parking cars so close to SR 774 south of intersection SR 125. Mr. Nester is concerend that someone is going to get hurt and Village could be responsible. Chief Canter said he nor other Police Officers can do anything about the parked cars, they are not parked on a sidewalk.

Councilman Johnston questioned whether or not the State Highway Patrol could advise us on this situation.

Councilman Neu said some village records stored in the community building is getting damaged. Clerk-Treasurer Craig will check into procedures of getting approval from State to destroy checks, etc. However, minute records are to be kept forever.

Mayor Bowyer asked Kenny Green if he needed any supplies. Kenny replied he is in process of filling in pot holes in the Village and he needs sealer for patch. Council approved the purchase.

Mayor Bowyer also added that since the streets are so dirty he thought it would be best for Council to rent a bobcat to sweep them. Council was in complete agreement with the suggestion. Mayor Bowyer will check into costs, etc.

Neu moved, Hanes seconded the motion to pay the bills. **VOTING: YEA: Neu, Hanes, Johnston, Nester. NAY: None MOTION CARRIED.**

Council decided to have a special meeting on Monday, April 18 at 6:30 P.M. Clerk-Treasure Craig will post notices.

Hanes moved, Neu seconded the motion to go into executive session. **VOTING: YEA: Hanes, Neu, Johnston, Nester. NAY: None MOTION CARRIED.**

Hanes moved, Neu seconded the motion to come out of executive session. **VOTING: YEA: Hanes, Neu, Johnston, Nester. NAY: None MOTION CARRIED.**

Johnston moved to hire Michele Watson to work as trainee for the month of April with current Clerk-Treasurer at no pay. This would give Michele time to learn duties and procedures with possibility of applying for the Clerk-Treasurer position later. Neu second the motion. **VOTING: YEA: Johnston, Neu, Hanes, Nester. NAY: None MOTION CARRIED.**

Johnston said there would be a Police Committee meeting on April 13 at 8:00 in Mayor's Court Chambers. Clerk-Treasurer will post notice.

There being no further business Neu moved, Johnston second the motion to adjourn the meeting. **VOTING: YEA: Neu, Johnston, Hanes, Nester. NAY: None MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Bowyer adjourned the meeting.


