

**VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 7, 1994 - 7:00 P.M.**

**Present:** Mayor Steve Bowyer, Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes, Clerk Treasurer Joyce Craig.

**Also Present:** Chief of Police James Canter, Sgt. Betty Kirkpatrick, Kenny Green, Mack Hanes, Todd Buntgaben, Deputy Clerk Sherri Lewis, Eunice Ott of Brown County Press.

Mayor Bowyer called the meeting to order and asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the October 3, 1994 meeting. Martha Hanes moved to accept the minutes as presented. Wyndal Staggs seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Nester, Neu, Staggs, Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED**

Martha Hanes motioned to pay the bills. Jesse Nester questioned George Leicht's bill of \$71.50. Council had asked at the September meeting for George Leicht to be present at the meeting to go over the GTE litigation processes. Duane Neu questioned T. Beasley bills of \$903.19 and \$200.42. Bills were presented. Duane Neu seconded the motion to pay the bills. **VOTING: YEA:** Nester, Neu, Staggs, Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mack Hanes commented he was waiting for a call regarding Roofing of buildings. Mayor Bowyer informed Mack Hanes and council that a survey by a surveyor was needed for the building and for the roof. Mayor Bowyer had talked to the man about the survey and was informed that the building need not be up to code.

B.P.A. President Hanes brought up the problem with the back door and asked what had been found out about it. Clerk-Treasurer Craig had called the insurance company regarding the door and was informed that there was a \$250.00 deductible. Staggs questioned if Roger Adkins was responsible for replacement and/or repair of the door. Mayor Bowyer believed it to be the village's responsibility but was unsure. Chief of Police Jim Canter called Roger to inform him of the breaking and entering. He also suggested that a camera be bought for security reasons. Mack Hanes suggested a plate be put over the lock - the same as on the front door. Mayor Bowyer made a suggestion to get a motion detector with an alarm. Duane Neu said he was aware of an alarm that cost around \$140.00.

Mack Hanes said he would call Roger Adkins on 11/8/94 to see if his insurance could cover damage to the door. Wyndal Staggs suggested Mack call and set up appointments to see about a security system. Mayor Bowyer suggested a committee be set up for the security project.

**VOLUNTEERING FOR COMMITTEE:** Wyndal Staggs, Jesse Nester and Mack Hanes.

Mack Hanes needs help to install garage door. Kenny Green and Police Chief Canter volunteered to help.

Bob Brown said he would come back and appraise township electrical system.

Mayor Bowyer asked about Chipper Service. Per Mack Hanes, Lynn Dunn had not shown Kenny Green how to use the chipper. Lynn and Kenny are supposed to get together the 1st. weekend of December to show proper usage.

Police Chief Canter informed council that the new radar unit was received. Chief Canter asked if new jackets were going to be bought for the Police Department. He also had some estimates. Nester asked if there were any standards for the jackets. There were none. Four jackets are needed. One for each: Sgt. Kirkpatrick, Chief Canter, Officers Bender and Emmert.

Martha Hanes motioned to allow Police Department to purchase 4 jackets at \$109.50 each. Duane Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Nester, Neu, Staggs, Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chief Canter, D. Neu, J. Nester and W. Staggs reported complaints re: Halloween.

Police Chief Canter wanted to thank the Fire Dept. for their help with Halloween. Chief Canter said the Fire Dept. doesn't get praised too often.

Martha Hanes suggested we get together with Bethel and Felicity around August next year re: Halloween.

Jesse Nester questioned Police Chief Canter about a fight behind the Post Office and that he (Canter) wasn't going to get involved. Police Chief Canter said officer Emmert called him regarding a fight about to break out. Chief Canter reported he was there in two minutes. Chief Canter and Mr. Nester talked back and forth about the pros and cons of the Police Department.

Chief Canter mentioned that Sgt. Kirkpatrick went to the Sherriff's Dept. to file warrants and was told to try and get the people themselves first and to use the Sherriff's computer as a last resort. Mayor Bowyer suggested that once a presidency is set then it needs to be continued. Up to this point there have not been any problems in the past with the Sherriff's Department.

Mayor Bowyer explained to Eunice Ott why we needed access to the Sherriff's Dept. computer and what the warrants are for. Warrants are left on file for 3 years and if unable to act upon within that time frame, the charges are dismissed.

Mayor Bowyer asked Kenny Green to put the flags up before Veterans Day. Kenny Green had nothing to report.

Martha Hanes suggested a need for a Weight Limit sign on Congress Alley and a "NO THRU" sign on Travis. Mayor Bowyer asked council if there would be any problems with putting up the sign on Travis. None of the council members objected.

The grant for the curb/sidewalk project was approved at \$16,000.00. It should cover all expenses except for the sewer catch basins estimated at approximately \$2,550.00. The town will be responsible for 10% of expenses plus anything above. The total estimated around \$1500.00. Mayor Bowyer had received estimates. Mr. Neu motioned to accept a bid from Brown County Construction at \$14,740.00. Mr. Nester seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

G.T.E. is still in limbo concerning the cable.

Mayor Bowyer received a letter of resignation from Joyce Craig as Clerk-Treasurer, effective 11/15/94. Duane Neu motioned to accept the resignation of Joyce Craig.

Wyndal Staggs seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Jesse Nester talked to Mr. McKinney and he needs Mayor Bowyer to tell Irv that all of his cars need to be removed. If the cars are removed, a parking lot will be put in for the Video Store.

Wyndal Staggs suggested Congress Ally be made a ONE WAY. Duane Neu and Martha Hanes agreed. Wyndal Stags motioned to make Congress Ally ONE WAY East to West. Duane Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Duane Neu, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** Jesse Nester. **MOTION CARRIED**

Joyce Craig would like to meet with the finance committee before the 15th. of November to show that the books are in balance. The Finance Committee decided to meet November 13 at 3:00P.M.

Martha Hanes suggested to go to Executive meeting to discuss personnel. Duane Neu seconded the motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Wyndal Staggs motioned to come out of executive meeting. Martha Hanes seconded the motion.

Martha Hanes motioned to continue Sherri Lewis' employment as Deputy Clerk until November 14, 1994. Duane Neu seconded th motion. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Wyndall Staggs motioned to recess until November 14. Martha Hanes seconded the motinn. **VOTING: YEA:** Jesse Nester, Duane Neu, Wyndal Staggs, Martha Hanes. **NAY:** None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Bowyer recessed the meeting.

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