

HAMERSVILLE, OHIO 45130  
Regular Village Council Meeting  
December 10, 2001

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Present: President of Council Wyndal Staggs, Donnie Sowers, Ray Fore. Larry Talbott, Joyce Craig and Clerk Treasurer Tammie Ogle.  
Also Present: Scott Lanter, Betty Kirkpatrick, Pat Scott, Police Chief Jim Canter, Kenny Green, Phil Patton, Bill Thompson, Art Hunter and Village Solicitor Cecelia Potts.

Council President Staggs filled in for Mayor Neu, who was ill. Mr. Staggs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., at which time he led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council then recognized Bill Thompson, who presented a drawing of Main Street, in front of his new store. There are only two parking spaces close to his store. He wanted to know if there was anything we could do to help him. The Street Committee and the Police Department will work together to see what can be done.

The Clerk Treasurer presented the previous meetings' minutes. Mr. Sowers made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Mr. Fore seconded the motion, and the motion carried, all members voting yes.

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

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| 6748.60  | H'ville Payroll    | Payroll        | 1000-110-190 |
| 55.59    | H'ville Payroll    | Medicare       | 1000-110-213 |
| 2587.94  | PERS               | Employer Share | 1000-110-211 |
| 7879.00  | Treas of State     | Fees           | 5101-531-343 |
| 288.10   | Roy Tailor Uniform | Uniforms       | 1000-110-270 |
| 95.00    | David Feters       | Miscellaneous  | 2271-110-690 |
| 26.97    | Radio Shack        | Supplies       | 1000-710-690 |
| 93.39    | Verizon North      | Telephone      | 1000-110-321 |
| 56940.00 | Brown Cty Const.   | Streets        | 2011-620-366 |
| 300.00   | Scott Gusweiler    | Contract Serv  | 1000-720-369 |
| 9.50     | Kenny Green        | Supplies       | 2011-620-420 |
| 14.15    | Kibler Lumber      | Supplies       | 2011-620-420 |
| 54.60    | Suzanne Madden     | Travel         | 5101-531-252 |
| 54.93    | Tammie Ogle        | Travel         | 5101-531-252 |
| 250.00   | Colby Saylor       | Travel         | 5101-531-252 |
| 72.80    | Kay Elliott        | Travel         | 5101-531-252 |
| 500.00   | Fifth Third Bank   | Fees           | 5201-541-690 |

Ms. Craig made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Mr. Talbott seconded the motion, and the motion carried, all members voting yes.

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Mr. Talbott remarked that it would be good protocol to have all employment applications to the Police Department go directly to Chief Canter.

We received the new contract from Rumpke for our Garbage Service. It is a one year extension, with no increase in costs, and no other changes. Ms. Craig made a motion to accept the contract, and Mr. Talbott seconded the motion. The motion carried, with all members voting yes, except Mr. Sowers, who abstained.

We have received some complaints about the sign at the auction house off of Wayne Ave. It is too close to the road, and it is hard to see around to come out on St. Rt. 774. It is out of town, so we do not have any control over it. Mr. Talbott will speak to the owner and see if he can get him to move it. If that does not work, Ms. Potts suggested calling the County Engineer. There is a lot of water on Adkins Place and Wayne Avenue. Mr. Staggs asked Mr. Green to clean it out as soon as possible. Also on Adkins Place, the phone line on the west side has been cut. The phone company has been there.

Mr. Staggs asked the other members of the Village Council for their opinions on the street work. Everyone is satisfied. We need to paint the stop signs on the roads. Mr. Green will take care of it. We also would like to do something about Dooley. It is not dedicated, so who owns it? Mr. Staggs will ask Mayor Neu.

Now that we have stopped burning in town, what can we do about the limbs? We need to look into renting a chipper. Rumpke will pick up leaves if they are in bags and limbs if they are in four foot bundles. Maybe we could get a chipper one Saturday per month.

There is a school bus going back on Wayne and Adkins Place. We need to do something about it. The driver asked the Mayor and he gave her permission to park it back there. Chief Canter will take care of it. Mr. Green asked Council to get pepper spray for him and Colby. They are having a lot of trouble with dogs. Mr. Sowers made a motion to buy pepper spray, and Ms. Craig seconded the motion. The motion carried, all members voting yes. Mr. Green also needs about ten street signs. Ms. Craig made a motion to get the signs, and Mr. Talbott seconded the motion. The motion carried, all members voting yes.

Mr. Staggs suggested putting in a 3-way stop at High and Walnut to cut down on speeding on Walnut. Mr. Talbott made a motion to do so, and Mr. Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried, all members voting yes. Mr. Green will take care of it. We need to enforce the 15 minute parking at the Post Office.

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Ms. Potts brought her opinion on appointing Council Members. A majority of Council Members can appoint other members.

Mr. Green will get salt, and the truck is ready for the snow plow. He has put 3

more risers on the sewer pumps. We may ask Luther's helper to help put on the rest of the risers. He has replaced 4 or 5 floats, too. The Clerk Treasurer will call ODOT in Chillicothe about the School Lights.

Mr. Staggs made an apology to Chief Canter, Mr. Fore, Mr. Patton and Ms. Kirkpatrick for some remarks he made previously, stating that he had been under a lot of pressure lately. They all accepted and expressed their appreciation for the gesture.

Chief Canter announced that Betty Kirkpatrick will be retiring from the Police Department at the end of the year due to medical reason. He then presented her letter of resignation. Mr. Talbott regretfully made a motion to accept the resignation, and Mr. Sowers seconded the motion. The motion carried, all members voting yes.

Ms. Kirkpatrick then informed the Council that she would be interested in one of the vacant Council seats. We are also looking for more new members.

Mr. Talbott made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Fore seconded the motion, and the motion carried, all members voting yes.

Wyndal E. Staggs  
Wyndal Staggs, President

Joyce Craig  
Joyce Craig, Council

Ray Fore  
Ray Fore, Council

Donnie Sowers  
Donnie Sowers, Council

Larry Talbott  
Larry Talbott, Council

Tammie Ogle  
Tammie Ogle, Clerk Treas.