

CITY OF PEWEE VALLEY
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
February 3, 2014

The regular meeting of the City Council of Pewee Valley, Kentucky was held on Monday, February 3, 2014. In attendance were Mayor Bob Rogers, Council Members Henry Walser, Rex Florence, Will Chambers, Bethany Major, Dick Filippini, and Norman Schippert. Also in attendance were John Singler, City Attorney and Laura Eichenberger, City Clerk.

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A motion was made by Henry Walser to approve the January 6, 2014 Minutes of the City Council Meeting as written. Norman Schippert seconded the motion and all Council Members voted in favor.

Financial Report

The Profit Loss Year-to-Date Budget vs. Actual, Year to Date Comparison, and Balance Sheet reports through January 2014 from the City Treasurer were distributed to Council Members.

Melissa Horn, Oldham County Treasurer has agreed to be part of the City's financial team.

Open Comments

There was no response to the call for open comments.

Police Report

Chief Larimore provided a crime statics map produced by the State Police. This map is not 100% accurate, as not all police departments report electronically. In 2013, Oldham County had approximately 1,109 criminal cases. Of those, 35 were in Pewee Valley (some may have been just outside City limits). There were 1,032 criminal arrests in the County—30 of the arrests were in Pewee Valley. Those arrests include warrants enforced after making a traffic stop. Many of the arrests resulted from the saturation patrols this past summer, the presence of a full-time Police Chief, and the Sheriff's Deputies working the area. This map shows that Pewee Valley is a safe place.

Total police activity report for January:

Traffic

Traffic Stops.....107
 Citations29
 Warnings.....132
 Motorist Assists21
 Accidents.....27
 DUI2

Other

Criminal Investigations.....5
 Complaints27
 Code Enforcement4
 School Patrols51

Announcements

Mayor Rogers thanked Glenn Rowland for all the work on snow and ice removal the past month.

Pewee Valley Fire District Board of Directors Report

Mayor Rogers reported the Fire District has borrowed a little over \$1 million to help finance part of the new fire station (does not include equipment). The concrete was scheduled to be poured today. This may have been postponed due to the weather.

City Website Dedication

Henry Walser announced that the City’s new website is up and live—www.peweevalleyky.org. The Walser Family donated the fee for the website development. The website is dedicated in memory of John A. Walser, Mayor, 1967-1968.

Mike Thompson, Twin Springs Junction Web Development, presented the website on-screen.

Town Square Project Presentation

Tim Graviss, JRA Architects, working with Dave Sipes, Sabak, Wilson & Lingo, Inc. (Engineers, Landscape Architects & Planners) gave a presentation to the Council on their combined projects and proposed approach to the Town Square project. The two firms have designed the Nelson County Judicial Center in Bardstown, the Grayson County Judicial Center, and Sabak, Wilson & Lingo are working on the Spalding University Campus.

The objectives for the Town Square project are:

- Site drainage at Town Hall
- New paving design along building fronts: 314 Exchange, Town Hall, Norton’s Medical, and Little Colonel Playhouse
- ADA accessibility
- Redesign stone wall & fire pit to include Veterans’ Memorial

The next steps in the process include: establishing project scope, topographical survey, develop concept design and review with the City Council, review with CSX, and final recommendation and cost estimate.

Council Member Reports

Tree Board—Dick Filippini

Mayor Rogers reported he has talked with the Kentucky Division of Forestry and there may be an opportunity for a small grant available to host a Spring tree giveaway to replace the Ash trees infected with the Emerald Ash Borer. Mayor Rogers and Dick Filippini will follow-up.

Water Quality (Stormwater)

Responding to questions about the Stormwater budget, the audited budget from fiscal years 2008—2013 were provided in the Council's meeting packet. The revenues over this period exceeded expenses by \$17,726. As John Malueg stated at the January meeting, the EPA monitoring requirements are changing and meeting the mandates may become very expensive.

Town Hall/Festivities/Central Park/Historical Society—Bethany Major

Bethany Major reported the Historical Society is working with the African American section (east side) of the Confederate Cemetery. There will be a clean-up day on April 12th. The group that oversees the east side section could use some help in facilitating and getting up-to-speed. Once accomplished, the group will be able to apply for grants through the University of Kentucky to restore the section including re-marking and leveling graves. The next meeting is at First Baptist Church on March 6, 2014, 7:00 p.m.

Public Safety/Communication/Website—Henry Walser

The City's marquee sign replacement is expected mid-February.

Bethany Major requested "Pewee Valley city limits" signs to be placed along the main roads coming into Pewee Valley. John Singler recommended Eagle Sign Company or Cadillac Signs to match the signs the City has.

Roads and Drainage—Bob Rogers

The City Engineer, Mel Milburn, has been monitoring the tree removals, ensuring the contractor does not tear up the roads.

Crossing Gates

Mayor Rogers reported the City has received the last refund from CSX for the crossing gates. The Wooldridge crossing gates were completed 41.5% under budget. The City was reimbursed \$95,672.03.

New Business

First Reading: Ordinance 1, Series 2014, An Ordinance Amending Sections of Chapter 152 of the City Ordinances Regarding Signs

John Singler provided the first reading of Ordinance 1, Series 2014, citing in full, section 152.10 Temporary Sign Requiring a Sign Permit, items (C) and (D). Item (C) allows for temporary banners for any business for the permit duration of one year. Item (D) allows temporary directional signs for walks and runs in the right-of-way for limited time for a specific event with permit.

A motion for introduction for first reading of Ordinance 1, Series 2014, An Ordinance Amending Sections of Chapter 152 of the City Ordinances Regarding Signs was made by Norman Schippert and seconded by Rex Florence. All Council Members voted in favor.

Sign Permit Application: American Diabetes Association

This application is for temporary directional signs at Old Floydsburg and Ash Avenue for the cycling event on June 6, 2014

The permit application was tabled until the March 3, 2014 City Council Meeting.

Sign Permit Application: St. Aloysius Church Fish Fry

This application is for the annual wooden Fish Fry sign, February 22, 2014 to April 11, 2014.

Henry Walser motioned to approve the application, seconded by Rex Florence. All Council Members voted in favor.

Open Comments

Mike Logsdon, 112 Dogwood Lane, asked for the draft of Ordinance 1, Series 2014 regarding signs be available for review on the City's website. The Council approved and the ordinance draft will be available on the website under "Town Directory, Ordinances."

Beach Craigmyle, 122 Peace Lane, asked what happens to the Ash trees that are removed and hauled away. Mayor Rogers and Dick Filippini responded that L. G. & E. makes the determination if the trees are a hazard to their power lines. Greenhaven is the contractor removing the trees. The infected Ash trees must remain quarantined in certain counties. Some homeowners have decided they want to keep trees after they are taken down.

Cell Tower Proposal Update

John Singler reported that at this time an application has not been filed. The City is continuing to work with the frequency engineer and property impact experts and will remain prepared to address the application, if filed, accordingly.

Kevin Arave, 105 Ash Avenue, stated he has contacted the Governor's office, and they are willing to look into the issue. A letter has been sent to the Governor.

A motion was made by Norman Schippert to pay the bills, seconded by Henry Walser. All Council Members voted in favor.

Henry Walser motioned to adjourn the February 3, 2014 Meeting of the City Council, seconded by Rex Florence, with all Council Members voting in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

March 4, 2014
Date

Bob Rogers, Mayor

Laura Eichenberger, City Clerk