

CITY OF PEWEE VALLEY  
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL  
March 5, 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 Will Chambers, Bethany Major, Dick Filippini, and Norman Schippert. Also in attendance were John Singler, City Attorney and Laura Eichenberger, City Clerk. Council Members Henry Walser and Rex Florence were absent.

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 Bethany Major to approve the February 3, 2014 Minutes of the City Council Meeting as written. Norman Schippert seconded the motion and all Council Members present voted in favor.

### **Financial Report**

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

### **Open Comments**

John Bishop, 317 LaGrange Road, stated how fortunate we are to have Mayor Rogers and Glenn Rowland who stayed up over two nights in a row plowing snow and ice.

J. D. Sparks, 6516 Ashbrooke Drive (south of Pewee Valley city limits), current Magistrate for District 5, stated that with reapportionment, part of the City of Pewee Valley will be in his district, if re-elected.

### **Police Report**

Chief Larimore reported there were eight attempted vehicle break-ins and three successful vehicle break-ins two nights ago in Pewee Valley. The break-ins took place all over the City. In response, there are now increased patrols by Oldham County Police and Sheriff's Department. An E-News Alert was sent out regarding the break-ins.

One individual has been arrested due to a Good Samaritan who heard noises near his car and called in to report the suspicious activity.

Other recent complaints received are about pet waste left on sidewalks and resident's yards. Please be considerate of others in our community and clean-up after your pets.

Please call Oldham County Dispatch—222-0111 or 911—to report any suspicious activity.

### **Announcements**

Mayor Rogers thanked Glenn Rowland for working so hard through all of the recent snow and ice storms.

Mayor Rogers thanked Laura Eichenberger for working with Mike Thompson on the City's new website and continuing to keep it updated.

### **Pewee Valley Fire District Board of Directors Report**

Mayor Rogers reported the Board voted to borrow \$1 million for the construction of the new firehouse.

Council member Dick Filippini noted the House Bill 459, if passed, would establish procedures allowing Fire Districts to increase the property tax beyond ten cents per \$100 to 20 cents per \$100. It would require local legislative support.

### **Children in Crisis in Oldham County –Dan Orman, Oldham County School Board Superintendent**

Nineteen years ago there were 7,023 kids attending Oldham County schools. In 2014, there are 12,000. The number of homeless students has risen to 116. More than half that number are enrolled in preschool (ages 3 and 4) and does not include infants not enrolled in school. Good News Homes provides temporary housing to single mothers and struggling families. They do a wonderful job, but are grossly underfunded.

In all parts of our county, across all economic levels, drugs and alcohol are in our schools. There have been 324 incidents with students involving drugs and/or alcohol at school in this school year. Not all school districts publish these numbers. In 2009, the Oldham County Board of Education made a commitment to publish this information and keep the community informed.

In response to questions from Council Members, Mr. Orman stated that many resources have been devoted to help solve these problems. The Oldham County School district has a fully staffed alternative school. Schools are reflective of their communities. There are drugs and alcohol in the schools because it is in the community. Just as there are as many reasons for homelessness as there are homeless families. Many community leaders are dedicated to taking on these issues and finding creative ways to solve them. Faith-based organizations, civic groups, law enforcement, United Way, and individual volunteers all participate in providing help; but more is needed. Even a bag of everyday staples make a difference. Good News Homes has need of volunteers. The Cundiff Fund for Underprivileged Children is down under \$400.

## **Council Member Reports**

### Tree Board/Storm Damage—Dick Filippini

Dick Filippini reported that L. G. & E. has completed removing trees endangering power lines from the right-of-way and private property on Wooldridge. L. G. & E. will start work again in Pewee Valley when the weather allows. The City will have some liability with the tree removals; but, we do not have an amount yet.

There will be a city-wide storm debris pick-up on Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. Greenhaven Tree Care will make one pass through the city with the shredder. Residents must have limbs at the curb (all tree ends in one direction) to be shredded.

Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> has been scheduled for the Arbor Day tree-giveaway to Pewee Valley residents.

### Insurance/Stormwater (Water Quality)—Rex Florence

Mayor Rogers reported the 2013 Annual Stormwater Report has been submitted to the Kentucky Division of Water.

### Public Safety/Communication/Website—Henry Walser

Mayor Rogers reported the City received the 2014 Safety Grant for signage and a/c unit cages for Town Hall.

Bethany Major stated, when the weather warms up she will determine where to place city limit signs at the city boundaries.

The City's marquee sign is expected to be installed sometime next week.

Laura Eichenberger is working on adding local businesses contact information to the City's new website.

### Festivities/Town Hall/Historical Society—Bethany Major

The Historical Society is working with Pewee Valley First Baptist Church in cleaning up the east side of the Confederate Cemetery. Volunteers are needed for Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Mayor Rogers thanked Jonathan Knoffke and the Boy Scouts for building benches in the Town Hall bay and then installing at the cemetery.

A Movie Night in the Park has been scheduled for Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. The start time will depend upon civil twilight on that date. The movie is to be determined.

A framed painting of the old Pewee Valley train station by Bailey Ryan (a previous Pewee Valley resident) was donated to the City by the family of Lester Griffin in his memory. The painting will hang in Town Hall.

Dick Filippini and Bernie Lamp are putting together the first annual Pewee Valley Car Show scheduled for Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There are many local car enthusiasts with new, old, or in the works. Any and all are welcome to display. The Pewee Valley Woman's Club have discussed supplying food and tables in the Town Hall bays.

#### Waste Management/Mowing—Will Chambers

John Singler stated he will have bids for garbage and recycling pick-up for the Council by the May 5, 2014 meeting. He will include specification options for weekly recycle pick-up and yard waste.

#### **New Business**

#### Municipal Order 03-03-14 Relating to Replacing the Existing Official Zoning Map and Recognizing as the Official Zoning Map for Oldham County, Kentucky

John Singler stated the existing official zoning map was adopted by the 1974 Joint Planning Unit of all the cities in Oldham County. It is a paper map showing zoning for each parcel. The Oldham County Planning and Development Office have updated that map into a digital format and is asking legislative bodies to adopt the digital format. Oldham County has not acted on this yet and the Planning Commission is asking that the Council table it until the next meeting cycle.

A motion was made by Norman Schippert to table Municipal Order 03-03-14 until the April 7, 2014 City Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Will Chambers and all Council Members present voted in favor.

#### First Reading: Ordinance 2, Series 2014, Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Budget Amendment

John Singler presented the first reading of Ordinance 2 by summary. The amendment totals \$36,000 from surplus and grant funds for budget line items: Administration, Central Park, Environmental Improvements, Public Safety, Roads and Drainage, and Town Hall.

The motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2, Series 2014 was made by Norman Schippert and seconded by Bethany Major. All Council Members present voted in favor.

## Open Comments

There was no response to the call for Open Comments.

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

Bethany Major motioned to adjourn the March 5, 2014 Meeting of the City Council, seconded by Will Chambers, with all Council Members present voting in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

April 7, 2014  
Date

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Bob Rogers, Mayor

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Laura Eichenberger, City Clerk