

CITY OF PEWEE VALLEY
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
July 7, 2014

The regular meeting of the City Council of Pewee Valley, Kentucky was held on Monday, July 7, 2014. In attendance were Mayor Bob Rogers, Council Members Henry Walser, Will Chambers, Norman Schippert, Bethany Major, and Dick Filippini. Also in attendance were John Singler, City Attorney and Laura Eichenberger, City Clerk. Council Member Rex Florence was 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 Henry Walser to approve the June 2, 2014 Minutes of the City Council Meetings as written. Dick Filippini seconded the motion and all Council Members voted in favor.

Financial Report

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

Open Comments

Leslee Lamp, 115 Edgewood, thanked the City, the Mayor, Dick Filippini, Bethany Major, Laura Eichenberger, Glenn Rowland, Chief Larimore and the Sheriff's Deputies for helping with the first annual Cruise In and Concert. The Woman's Club raised around \$900 toward the three \$2,000 scholarships for Oldham County students. The music by The Mystics was a good fit.

Beach Craigmyle, 122 Peace Lane, requested benches in the Price Pavilion gazebo in Central Park. Bethany Major responded that the Park Committee is looking into seating in the gazebo.

Mr. Craigmyle stated he was on sidewalk committee 10 years ago. When the Beechdale subdivision was created, he insisted Planning & Zoning put an easement from the end of Locust Lane down to Cherry. There is an easement on the plat for Beechdale subdivision. Landowners have arbitrarily put up blockades to stop people from coming through. Those roads are still public roads and at least there is an easement on the plat if we wanted to create some walking trails. Another easement is where east Peace Lane goes through to Wooldridge which is still a City road. Bethany Major and Norman Schippert they will look into walking trails in the City.

Police Report

Chief Larimore reported he has received a Request for Action regarding fireworks. The request came from Harry Johns who could not be at the meeting. A copy was distributed to the Council. Mr. Johns requests the Council review the current ordinance regarding fireworks (specifically, aerial rockets) and potentially take action to limit fireworks within City limits.

The House Watch form has been updated and is now available on-line. Completing the form on-line automatically distributes the form to Pewee Valley Police and Oldham County Dispatch. Dispatch sends a copy to the Oldham County Sheriff's Office. Residents are strongly encouraged to complete the form on-line to ensure you are provided the best coverage by all County law enforcement departments. If you are not able to access the on-line form, contact Town Hall—241-8343—or Chief Larimore—640-9664 for assistance.

Residents are encouraged to call Oldham County Dispatch—222-0111—to report suspicious activity. Contacting Dispatch first ensures that the closest officer on duty is sent to investigate. Recently, four individuals were discovered to have spent the night on the porch of the Sweet Shop. If you see people in odd areas, out of place, please contact Dispatch immediately.

CSX Transportation will be performing maintenance at railroad crossings in Pewee Valley, July 14th through July 17th (dates tentative). The City Clerk will send out an E-News Alert when we have confirmation from CSX. Detour signs will be posted and Dispatch notified of the closures. South Oldham Fire District will be on stand-by during this time.

Announcements

- Mayor Rogers recently attended a meeting with the State Highway Department regarding the Old Henry bypass. The completion date is set for 2018. The bypass will stop at Ash Avenue and the Engineer reported that there will be so little traffic Ash Avenue will not need a traffic light. The bypass will come out above Hawley Gibson (by the old dump) and will have three lanes (two directional lanes and a turning lane), with a bike path and sidewalk. Will Chambers requested a copy of the drawings. The Highway Department does not have plans for any improvements on Ash Avenue. Mayor Rogers stated his concern that the bypass will direct traffic left on Ash where it is well known that it floods.
- Mayor Rogers thanked everyone for their work on the Cruise In and Concert.
- Mayor Rogers thanked the press—the Oldham Era, Courier-Journal, and WLKY reporters—for doing such a great job on featuring Pewee Valley and getting the Town Square Plan Options out to the public.

Town Square Plan Options—Tim Graviss, JRA Architects

The two Town Square concepts have been out for about three months now. Mr. Graviss commended the Council for allowing the public to have input. At that this point, the consensus from the polls is where the fire pit will be. The majority wants to keep the fire pit in Town Square. The next steps from this point are to choose a concept and put together costs to either move forward or tweak the design. Then move on with fund raising and grant writing.

Bethany Major stated the reason this project began was to address the drainage issue on Mt. Mercy and then led to handicap parking and additional parking. The goal is get a great amount of grant money; but, you have to have a plan in order to move forward applying for grants.

Mayor Rogers stated it's about economic development, taking care of the draining issues, complying with Storm Water mandates, and moving progressively forward with our community. The business owners in Town Square are very positive about the plan.

A motion was made by Bethany Major for JRA Architects to move forward with Option A (keeping the fire pit in Town Square). Henry Walser seconded the motion and all Council Members present voted in favor.

Pewee Valley Cemetery East—Suzanne Schimpeler

The Governor's Scholars will be doing volunteer work in the Pewee Valley Cemetery East this week. They will be cleaning out the fence line on the right side of the cemetery. That is the section containing the mass grave. There are 80 people buried in the unmarked grave. The mass grave is from 1845-1847, when there was a cholera epidemic. The Women's Prison cuts the grass there and they are going to continue to maintain it. The University of Kentucky School of Landscape Architecture is working to provide a plan to write grants to upgrade the cemetery. There are many graves that are unmarked—the entire back half of the cemetery is unmarked.

Pewee Valley Fire District Board of Directors Report—Bob Rogers

The June meeting date was moved and Mayor Rogers was unable to attend. The Board approved the budget for the new fiscal year. The budget and minutes are public record. Dick Filippini requested a link on the City's website to the Fire District budget.

Mayor Rogers encourages residents to attend the Board meetings and ask questions.

Council Member Reports

Tree Board/Storm Damage—Dick Filippini

We are still waiting for the Memorandum of Agreement from the Division of Forestry.

Insurance/Water Quality

Mayor Rogers reported the auditor will come for the records sometime next month. We are waiting for the State to certify the tax roll before we can send out property tax bills.

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

Henry Walser has been able to secure two display cases for the Town Hall Museum.

Bethany Major thanked everyone for Cruise In and Concert.

The annual Summer Picnic is scheduled for Saturday, August 2nd, 6pm to 10pm.

The next scheduled Concert in the Park is Sunday, September 21st featuring the Whiskey Bent Valley Boys.

Sidewalks—Norman Schippert

Repairs to the walking path in Central Park were made where the bridge and path meet.

Greenhaven Tree Care will be trimming along the City right-of-ways and where there is overgrowth onto the sidewalks.

Waste Management/Mowing—Will Chambers

Will Chambers reported he has not received a single complaint.

Roads & Drainage—Bob Rogers

Bethany Major requested stop lines on Central Avenue at the stop signs. Vehicles do not come to a complete stop at Central and Rosswood or Central and Peace. Central Avenue is a State road. The request must be made to the State.

Old Business

Accessory Dwelling Units

Mayor Rogers was not able to attend the last meeting. The committee is still working on affidavit samples for Accessory Dwelling Units.

New Business

Resolution & Agreement: FY 2014/2015 Municipal Road Aid Cooperative Agreement

A motion to adopt the Municipal Road Aid Cooperative Resolution and Agreement was made by Dick Filippini and seconded by Henry Walser. All Council Members present voted in favor.

Special Event Permit Application: St. Aloysius Blessing of the Animals, October 4, 2014, Central Park

This event is open to the public. St. Aloysius agrees to clean-up any animal waste left in the Park.

A motion to approve the permit application was made by Dick Filippini and seconded by Bethany Major. All Council Members present voted in favor.

Open Comments

Mike Logsdon, 112 Dogwood Lane, thanked the City of having Greenhaven clear the sidewalk right-of-ways.

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

Henry Walser motioned to adjourn the July 7, 2014 Meeting of the City Council, seconded by Bethany Major, with all Council Members present voting in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

August 11, 2014

Date

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Bob Rogers, Mayor

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Laura Eichenberger, City Clerk