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A Brief History of Arbor Day

As pioneers began moving into the Nebraska Territory, the lack of trees was felt deeply. Not only did the new residents miss the trees they left behind, they were also left without the trees they needed as windbreaks to keep soil in place, for fuel and building materials, and for shade from the hot sun. Nebraska newspaper editor Sterling Morton had an enthusiasm for trees and advocated strongly for individuals and civic groups to plant them. Once he became secretary of the Nebraska Territory, Morton first proposed a tree planting holiday to be called “Arbor Day” at a meeting of the State Board of Agriculture on January 4, 1872. The celebration date was set for April 10, 1872. It was estimated that more than 1 million trees were planted in Nebraska on the first Arbor Day. Arbor Day was officially proclaimed in 1874 by Nebraska’s Governor, Robert W. Furnas, and the day was observed April 10 that year. In 1885, Arbor Day was named a legal state holiday in Nebraska, and April 22 was selected as the date for its permanent annual observance.

THE SPREAD OF A GOOD IDEA

Many other states also passed legislation to observe Arbor Day each year. By 1920, more than 45 states and territories were celebrating Arbor Day. And the tree planting tradition became prominent in schools across the nation in 1882, with schoolchildren learning about the importance of trees as well as receiving a tree to plant in their own yard.

Today Arbor Day is celebrated in all 50 states. The most common date for the state observance is the last Friday in April — National Arbor Day — but a number of state Arbor Days are at other times to coincide with the best tree planting weather. And while Nebraska City, NE, is the official birthplace of the Arbor Day holiday, communities around the globe gather every year to celebrate trees and plant for a greener tomorrow.

While most holidays celebrate something that has already happened and is worth remembering, Arbor Day represents a hope for the future. The simple act of planting a tree represents a belief that the tree will grow to provide us with clean air and water, cooling shade, habitat for wildlife, healthier communities, and endless natural beauty — all for a better tomorrow. (source Arbor day Foundation)

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COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council of Pewee Valley, Kentucky was held on Monday, April 4, 2022. In attendance were Mayor Bob Rogers, Council Members Paige Bjorn, Henry Walser, Emily Rademaker, Jim Allison, Bethany Major, and Norman Schippert. Also in attendance were City Attorney, John Singler, and Clerk, Denise Haney.

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

Henry Walser made a Motion to approve the March 2022 minutes of the City Council Meeting as written. Paige Bjorn seconded the motion, and all Council Members present voted in favor.

Mayor Rogers introduced the new Fire Chief Matt York. Matt is a longtime resident of Pewee Valley and happy to be of service to our community.

Financial Report- No report.

Open Comments – Michael Logsdon requested a Magistrate’s Night-In on Wednesday, April 20th at Town Hall at 6pm.

Police Report – Maple, Mt. Mercy, Old Floydsburg, and La Grange Roads continue to be hotspots for speeding so are being monitored.

Traffic Stops – 158

Traffic Charges – 93

House Watch – 147

Motorist Assist – 5

Accident Investigation – 0

Criminal Investigation – 0

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Code Enforcement – 1

School Patrol – 128

Calls for Service – 22

Announcements – Mayor Rogers thanked Dan Perkins for the new window installation job on the caboose. The tree giveaway date for this year is October 8th. Environmental Education Day is April 22nd from 1 to 2:30 in Central Park and open to middle school age students. The Ash Avenue sidewalk project will begin on April 18th. Mayor Rogers then read the Arbor Day Proclamation for the City of Pewee Valley. Mayor Rogers thanked St. Al's and St. James for the use of their facilities during the height of Covid.

Council Member Reports-

Public Safety- (Jim Allison) – Reiterated that Chief Hoskins has spoken to St. Al's regarding traffic control during the fish fry. A petition was brought forth for a speed hump to be added on Cherry Lane, all council members approved the petition.

Insurance / Storm Water – (Norman Schippert) MS4 annual report is completed.

Communication/ABC – (Henry Walser)

Henry requested that the city's alcohol ordinance be amended to match Oldham County's to allow sale of drinks (non-retail) on Sunday as requested by 314 Exchange. Attorney Singler will research the Ordinances and present an amendment at the next meeting for the council to review.

Sidewalks and Festivals- (Emily Rade-maker) – Concert in the park featuring Allan Lane Band is May 21st.

Historical/ Central Park/ Town Hall- (Bethany Major)- Historical Society Meeting is April 5th at 7pm. The historical society is looking for new members, and positions to be filled.

Waste Management- (Paige Bjorn) – Paige asked the council to approve the start date of April 12th for the park lighting project to begin, all members approved.

Roads- (Bob Rogers) – The bid opening for spring paving projects is April 5th. The Mayor asked the council to approve a motion to accept the lowest bid. Henry Walser made a motion to accept the lowest bidder, Bethany Major seconded, and all council members voted in favor.

New Business

The Pewee Valley Women's Club temporary sign permit was tabled until the May council meeting until a traffic plan was submitted to the city.

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A motion to approve Resolution 1, Series 2022 (more funding from the original Ash Ave. sidewalk contract to be paid by the state) amended sidewalk agreement between KYTC and the City of Pewee Valley was made by Henry Walser, seconded by Bethany Major and approved by all council members.

Municipal Order 4, Series 2022 a municipal order relating to payment of professional fees for compliance assistance with the reporting requirements for the Americanrescue plan act (arpa) funds was presented by John Singler. This documentation is required by the treasury for reporting ex

penditures. A motion to approve Municipal Order 4, Series 2022 was made by Henry Walser, seconded by Norman Schippert and approved by all council members.

John Singler presented Municipal Order 5, Series 2022 an order relating to an addition of two municipal orders relating to the use of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds. This order recognizes the 10 million dollar exemption on previous Municipal Orders 1 and 2, 2022.

A motion was made to approve Municipal Order 5, Series 2022 was made by Norman

PEWEE PROPERTY TRANSFERS

David and Patti Nuermberger Trustees of Louisville, to Emily and Nathan Calvert, 115 Rebel Drive, \$295,000.00, general warranty deed.

Deville Homes Inc., of Louisville to Rachel and Keith Cook, Lot 5, Cherry Grove Subd, \$635,000.00, general warranty deed.

Stephanie W. Applegate to Mark and Sherry Banta, 23.965 acres of KY Hwy 146, \$507,000.00 deed of consolidation.

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Schippert, seconded by Henry Walser and approved by all council members.

Pay Bills - Motion to pay bills by Henry Walser, seconded by Paige Bjorn and all approved.

Adjourn - Motion to Adjourn made by Henry Walser, seconded by Paige Bjorn, and all approved.

After over twenty years as Chief, Bob Hamilton stepped down to assume the position of Major and Deputy Chief Carey Hirtzel to that of Captain. The Board of Trustees for the Fire Protection District appointed Matt York as the new Chief and Chris Haunz as Deputy Chief. Thank you Chief Hamilton and Deputy Chief Hirtzel for your dedication and best of luck to the Department for the future!

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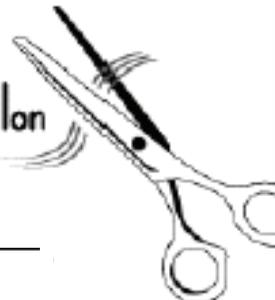
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Environmental Education Day is April 22nd in Central Park from 1 to 2:30 pm. Interactive Displays and presentations for middle school age children will be on display. Free to attend!



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ACTIVITY

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Tues TBD	7 pm - Pewee Valley Historical Society Meeting Town Hall	Pewee Valley Town Hall 241-8343
Mon May 16	7 pm - Pewee Valley Environmental Board Meeting -	Pewee Valley 241-8343
Wed May 18	10:30 am Pewee Valley Woman's Club Meeting - 218 Mt. Mercy. If interested, please call. Liz Carter 502 802-3727	Pat Nieters 502-241-7203

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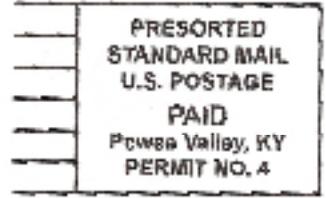
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A Brief History of Daylight Savings Time

Although modern DST has only been used for about 100 years, ancient civilizations are known to have engaged in comparable practices thousands of years ago. For example, the Roman water clocks used different scales for different months of the year to adjust the daily schedules to the solar time.

While Germany and Austria were the first countries to use DST in 1916, it is a little-known fact that a few hundred Canadians beat the German Empire by eight years. On July 1, 1908, the residents of Thunder Bay turned their clocks forward by one hour to start the world's first DST period.

However, the idea did not catch on globally until, in 1916, Germany introduced DST. Clocks in the German Empire, and its ally Austria, were turned ahead by one hour on April 30, 1916—two years into World War I. The rationale was to minimize the use of artificial lighting to save fuel for the war effort.

Within a few weeks, the United Kingdom, France, and many other countries followed the idea. Most of them reverted to standard time after World War I, and it wasn't until the next World War that DST made its return in most of Europe. If you think Daylight Saving Time is a good idea, you can thank New Zealand scientist George Vernon Hudson and British builder William Willett. In 1895, Hudson presented a paper to the Wellington Philosophical Society, proposing a 2-hour shift forward in October and a 2-hour shift back in March. There was interest in the idea, but it was never followed through.

In 1905, independently from Hudson, British builder William Willett suggested setting the clocks ahead 20 minutes on each of the four Sundays in April, and switching them back by the same amount on each of the four Sundays in September, a total of eight time switches per year. Willett's Daylight Saving plan caught the attention of Robert Pearce, a British Member of Parliament, and he introduced a bill to the House of Commons in February 1908. The first Daylight Saving Bill was drafted in 1909, presented to Parliament several times, and examined by a select committee.

However, many, especially farmers, opposed the idea, so the bill was never made into a law.

Willett died in 1915, the year before the United Kingdom started using DST in May 1916. It is not known if he was aware that his idea had become a reality seven years before his death in a small town in Ontario. Daylight Saving Time is now used in over 70 countries worldwide and affects over one billion people every year. The beginning and end dates vary from one country to another.