

CITY OF PEWEE VALLEY
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL

Wednesday July 5, 2023

The regular meeting of the City Council of Pewee Valley, Kentucky was held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023. In attendance were Mayor Bob Rogers, Council Members: Jim Allison, Paige Bjorn, Norman Schippert and Angelica Shea. Also in attendance were City Attorney, John Singler, and city clerk Denise Haney

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Norman Schippert made a Motion to approve the June 2023 minutes of the City Council Meeting as written. Jim Allison seconded the motion, and all Council Members present voted in favor.

Financial Report – The city is preparing for the upcoming audit.

Open Comments – A longtime resident asked the city what is being done about hiring a new police chief. She is concerned with population growth and the lack of a local officer. The resident stated that she has called Oldham County a few times to address a strange car on her property and her neighbor's property and OC officers came to her home and took care of it but that the police did not follow up with her to address her concern. Another resident echoed the sentiment as she addressed a stranger on her property and would like to be able to contact a local authority. The mayor stated that the city is actively looking to fill the position with the best possible candidate with the help of KLC and Oldham County and in the interim Chris Fitzner has been doing a tremendous job patrolling.

Another resident asked whom to contact regarding the maintenance of tree limbs near power lines. The mayor stated that residents need to contact LG&E regarding this and downed power lines.

Police Report –

OCSO Conducted:

90 - Traffic Stops

80 - Traffic Charges

39 - Warnings

8 - Calls for service

11 - House watch checks

1- Warrant arrest

Pewee Valley Fire Chief York reports they have made 27 calls for service in June. 4 EMS assist, 23 Fire calls and 12 of the 27 were within the city limits.

Announcements – Matt York has been appointed full time fire chief for Pewee Valley. Summer picnic is on August 5th. The city is revamping a farmer's market every other Thursday evening at

St. James from 5:30 to 7:30, start date is July 20th. We need more vendors so please contact the clerk at 241-8343 or email clerk@peweevalleyky.org.

Council Member Reports-

Public Safety – (Jim Allison) – Mr. Allison stated the ordinance regarding speed limits in the city needs to be updated with current speeds on streets and adding roads that are missing. Also, updates may be needed to our Code of Ordinances Chapter 73 to include battery operated vehicles and newer things such as hoverboards etc.. Pewee valley does not have an ordinance regarding golf carts on streets so he suggests adding streets to the Oldham county ordinance regarding this or draft our own ordinance. Attorney Singler says the law has been changed to include low speed vehicles, including inspected golf carts issued a permit, but the law is written that they cannot be on the road until the jurisdiction approves it and on specific roads. Mr. Allison suggests that the city passes an ordinance regarding this. Also, Mr. Allison stated that ATVs and UTVs have to be driven by licensed driver and in the state of KY are only allowed to cross highways and not use roadways.

Central Park/Town Hall – (Angelica Shea) – No report

Communication – (Henry Walser) - No report.

Sidewalks and Festivals- (Emily Rademaker) – No report.

Waste Management- (Paige Bjorn) – No report.

Insurance/Water Quality (Norman Schippert) – No report.

Roads- (Bob Rogers) – Salt has been stored. The trees will be ordered in the next two weeks for the October tree giveaway.

Open Comments - A resident asked about the noise/nuisance ordinance and if there are specific quiet times, the mayor said he would get the details to her.

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

Adjourn - Motion to Adjourn made by Paige Bjorn, seconded Angelica Shea, and all approved.