

EAST PALESTINE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING 7PM-MONDAY JULY 23, 2012

Mayor Zuch called the meeting to order. Present were Ellen Beagle, Don Elzer, Fran Figley, Jim Tyger and Endia Wisser. The minutes of the July 9, 2012 meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Figley, seconded by Mr. Elzer. There were no agenda items or clerks report.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Zuch stated that there was a summer reading camp at the Community Center this week with approximately fifty kids in attendance. She said it was very nice and she got to go read to the kids. The kids were very polite and interested. Also she stated there was a group of residents in attendance from the Claybrook Development here to learn about Village Council meetings. At that point Mayor Zuch introduced all of Council along with the Law Director Shirley Smith, Village Manager Peter Monteleone, Finance Director Traci Thompson, Chief Kevin Dickey, Water & Wastewater Superintendent John Jurjavcic, and Park Manager Jerry Coblentz and Barb Lynch who has given many years of service to the Village. She introduced Don Smith and Bob Veon (not present) and thanked them for giving time and money in helping repair the restrooms at the park.

MANAGERS REPORT: Mr. Monteleone stated everyone received a written update in their packets and asked if anyone had questions. He reminded council that the EPA requires at least 50% of the governing body to attend RCAP training, which is a financial and utility management course. He said they have agreed to do the training at our municipal building on August 22 from 10am to 3pm. He said that Figley and Wisser already volunteered. Ms. Beagle volunteered for the 3rd spot. Mr. Monteleone said anyone else who wanted to come was welcome. Mr. Elzer asked about the Planning Commission meeting that was held that Thursday. Mayor Zuch stated that 4 issues were discussed with the Planning Commission. The first issue was with a decorative fence at 54 West St (Betty Frederick), the second with Dr. Wittenauer, and the commission stated they needed more information and there were civil issues to be resolved before they could make a recommendation. The third issue was with Mary Ann Rich and her property at 229 N. Market St and trying to restore parking places in front of that property. They are waiting information from ODOT. And the fourth issue discussed was with EP Mgmt putting an 8x20 office trailer out by the old light plant. Mr. Monteleone stated we would be utilizing the Planning Commission a little more on matters that are not straightforward as far as building and zoning issues. In the future, after Planning Commission meetings the issues and recommendations will be brought to council at the next meeting so they can approve or deny them. The two issues that were completed were Betty Fredericks fence at 54 West St. and EP Managements office trailer. Mr. Tyger asked for more information on EP Managements office trailer. Mr. Elzer stated that by the old light plant there are 5 acres that are divided into 4 sections. In the SE section there is a tank with a large well. They are going to sell water from the well to the fracking companies. They want to put an office trailer there with water & sewer. The water being sold is not city water, it is a separate well and the approval needed is for the office trailer only. Mrs. Wisser stated there used to be a trailer there. The new office trailer will go behind the shed that is already there. Mr. Figley made a motion to accept the Planning Commissions recommendation to allow EP Management to put in an office trailer. Seconded by Ms. Beagle. All in favor. (Mr. Elzer abstained). Motion carried. The next issue was Betty Fredericks fence at 54 West St. Mrs. Wisser asked what the difference was in a decorative fence and a regular fence. Mayor Zuch said it is smaller and not completely solid like a regular fence. Mrs. Wisser made a motion to accept the Planning Commission recommendation and allow Fredericks fence to be built. Seconded by Mr. Elzer. All in favor. Motion carried.

LAW DIRECTOR: NO REPORT

STREET COMMITTEE: Mr. Figley said paving has gone well. Wood, Alice and Garfield are finished and Forbes is almost done. He said he is trying to get prices for some patching repairs that need done. There are approximately 12 or 13. Mr. Elzer stated the streets are looking good. The Manager stated there are now 3 kids from the Summer Youth Employment program to replace the 2 that were let go and they are able to work 40 hours instead of 32. Mr. Figley asked if they would be able to assist with patching and the Manager said yes. Mr. Monteleone said patching for Neely Manor is scheduled for this Wed. Mrs. Wisser said she and her husband noticed people pulling weeds on the curbs of the streets. She found out that Mr. Monteleone scheduled the weed pulling. He is going to have them work on Market and Main and around the school, the areas that are more visible to the public. Mrs. Wisser said its little things like that that mean a lot.

SAFETY/PARK/REC/CEMETERY: ABSENT

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Mr. Elzer said he went to a ribbon cutting ceremony today for the new china company on SR 14 (CIRM). The company started with four employees and is up to twenty-one and hoping to get to 75. It's a very nice facility with very modern equipment. August 18th is the Car Cruise in conjunction with an art show and poker run. It will be a very busy day.

UTILITY COMMITTEE: NO REPORT, however Mrs. Wisser had a question about the Street Fair. She asked the reason why it was moved to a side street and why it cant go back on Market St. Mayor Zuch stated we would need a permit from the state, as it's a state route. She stated that the American Legion paid a lot of money to have the electric moved down there and that's where they want. She said there isn't a good detour and that the bridge on Sumner St. isn't in good shape. The Mayor stated she believed that detouring them to James St. would work. Mayor Zuch said it had to be moved because of a paving project on Market St. that was taking too long. Mrs. Wisser stated that she was approached by Shirley Glavan say she knew of people willing to donate money to help have the utilities moved back to Market St. so the fair could be moved. Mr. Monteleone stated he spoke with the American Legion and it sounded like if there were someone to help or take over the fair they would be willing to give it up. Mr. Figley said he spoke to Red McCarthy who is a member of the Legion and he told him that it would cost approximately \$30,000 to have the electric moved back to Market St. Mr. Elzer stated that the real reason it was moved is because the Legion wanted more people back by their building. He said the ride company brings a generator so it has nothing to do with electricity. And that the Village can shut down Market St. whenever they want. Mrs. Wisser mentioned the possibility of having it at the park. Mayor Zuch stated she thinks that is a bad idea. She said think about the amount of damage that would be done there if there was a lot of rain and the field filled with cars or rides. She said that would take up all of the parking for the swimming pool patrons. She thinks it's the worst choice that could be made. Mr. Monteleone said to meet with him and they could go talk to the Legion and anyone who wants to be involved and see what can be done. Barb Lynch stated she believed there had to be one lane left open for emergency services.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: NO REPORT

VISITORS: Charles Treece, Merle Stewart, Barb Lynch, Don Smith, Teri Rauch, Laura Beight, Jerry Coblenz, Mary Ann Tyger, Dianna Elzer, Scott Wolfe, Kay Westover, Margaret Javens, Barb Kliner, Pat Wilson, Rich Westover, Michael & Sally Hannum, Alta Johnson, John Lehi, Larry & Terri Ward, Tami & Bob Harris, John Jurjavic, Dot Herbert, John & Bonnie Davis, Chief Kevin Dickey, Pam Figley, Emery Coon.

NO COMMENTS ON LEGISLATION

LEGISLATION: Ms. Beagle introduced **Ord. 19e-2012** and made a motion that it be read by title only. **An ordinance providing for the authorization of the Municipal Manager to enter into and execute all financing documents as required by First National Community Bank for the purposes of securing financing as required for the funding of the contract, as to completion of the Alice St, Wood St, and Garfield Ave. paving project in the principle amount of \$108,000.00 with 2.85% interest, and declaring an emergency.** Ms. Beagle made a motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency. All in favor, motion carried. Ms. Beagle called for a vote on **ord. 19e-2012**. All in favor, motion carried.

Barb Kliner from the Claybrook neighborhood, she thanked everyone for running for office and said she knows it's a thankless job. She said Claybrook is 10 years old now and they have 48 residents, mostly retired. She is social director and tries to get everyone together to do projects around the community. They have signed up for the "adopt a highway" program. They will be taking care of SR 170 from the sign for 8/10 of a mile, and also SR 170 from the light in Unity towards Petersburg for 2 miles. Monday August 6 they will be out cleaning up their highway. She wants to challenge other neighborhoods to do the same. Mayor Zuch thanked everyone for coming and said if they had any problems to please call.

ADJOURN: Mr. Tyger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Elzer. Mr. Tyger made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel and legal, seconded by Mr. Elzer. All in favor. No further business will be conducted after. Meeting adjourned to executive session.

SIGNED: _____
MARGO ZUCH, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
MISTI J. MARTIN-CLERK