

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 12, 2010  
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on April 12, 2010. The meeting was called at approximately 6:30pm. All council members were present, however Bernard was late and entered at approximately 6:40pm.

**PRIOR MEETING MINUTES**

March 8, 2010 and March 15, 2010: 1<sup>st</sup> Motion: Clyde 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Dale VOTE: 2AYES 0 NAYES

**APRIL CLAIMS**

The Council approved payment of March claims in the amount of \$125,492.20. The General fund will have disbursements of \$83,817.03; Water Fund will disburse \$23,189.64; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$18,485.53.

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**WATER ADJUSTMENTS**

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAME	TYPE OF LEAK	CONS BILLED	AMT BILLED	AVG CONS	AVG MO BILL	AMT ADJ
	8 accounts	overestimated					-\$226.67
	Lois Anderson	Frozen pipe-water ran on ground	4900	\$71.45	2000	\$45.35	-\$26.10
	McCammon	Line burst-ran on ground	14100	\$202.29	3400	\$83.49	-\$118.80
	Phillip Huff	Line Leak-adjusted because bills were estimated	27400	\$205.23	4800	\$18.35	-\$186.88
							-\$558.45

The Council agreed to make the above listed adjustments. Mr. McCammon and Mrs. Anderson will be adjustments to sewer only. Phillip Huff's water bill will be adjusted because the Town estimated bills in March and Mr. Huff felt if the bill had been read, the leak could have been caught.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Jeff Roberts, Fire Chief for Owensville Montgomery Township Fire Protection District was present at the meeting to discuss fire department business. He reminded everyone that severe weather is upon us and the shelters at the REH Center and 1<sup>st</sup> Christian Church will be open in all weather warnings. Jeff also asked everyone in town to take their brush to the town compost rather than burn it. Those persons living out of town can burn, but they should abide by the state laws and use caution when doing so. Dale told the Fire Department that they should learn to use the Town's chipper. That way in storm cleanup, they could use this piece of equipment. Dean asked the Chief if they would like to take part in flushing of hydrants and the Chief agreed to do so. This normally takes place in the spring and fall.

**TOWN BOUNDARIES**

County Surveyor, Michael Stevenson was present at the meeting to discuss his recent work regarding defining the Town's boundaries for the Census Bureau. Michael produced 2 visual maps for the town. Along with the maps, the Clerk produced a document outlining the issues that have arisen with the new boundaries. Michael stated that the County would be happy to work with someone in order to write the legal description of the Town's boundaries. The Council would like to go ahead and get the description written, then try to fix the Bittner Trailer Park later. The Council would like to see if Brian Resenbeck of A to B Surveying would be available to do the work.

**SEWER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

Dean explained to the Council that the Highway 168 Liftstation was running with only one pump again. In January, one of the pumps came off the mounting. The other side has done the same thing. Dean asked Wessler to redesign this lift station. Dean urged the Council to have this Liftstation redesigned, as it has been nothing but a problem from the beginning. The Council asked the Clerk to check and see if the SRF loan is still open for drawing. An additional appropriation in CEDIT might be another option that we explore. Dean suggested that we put some teeth into the illegal connections to the sewer (ex: sump pumps hooked into the sewer system). Ray will look at the ordinance in order to make sure we have the right to examine residential basements, etc. for this illegal hookup. Randy presented quotes for blowers at the sewer plant. Randy agreed with the Council on choosing the lowest bid.

K/M Specialty Pumps, Inc.	Sutorbilt 5LP Blower	\$2480.64
Powered Equipment	Sutorbilt 5LP Blower	\$2484.00
S&K Equipment Co., Inc.	Roots Model Blower	\$2955.00

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Randy suggested that the Council place surveillance equipment at the Sewer Plant and possibly even the well field. Dale stated that if they purchase the unit, get colored, as black and white does not show pictures as good. The Clerk will try to acquire pricing prior to the May meeting.

**WATER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

Randy told the Council that it was time for Hacker to clean Well #3. The cost will be \$8800 and it should get started sometime this month.

Randy would like to get started on the Cross Connection Ordinance. The office will make a list of potential businesses that are in need of the backflow valve. Randy will review the list and letters will be sent to all that are in need of this valve.

The Fire Chief would like the town to consider adding a fire hydrant at Bittner Trailer Court near Thompson Street. Dean stated that they had all supplies to do the work. The Council approved the addition of the hydrant.

**EMPLOYEE'S/EMPLOYMENT**

The Council voted unanimously to increase Caleb White's hourly wage to \$14.33 per hour. This rate will be paid on the 4/16/2010 check.

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The Clerk reported that the office had placed signs at the Town Hall that they were accepting applications for Part Time Employment until 4/9/10. Approximately 10 – 15 applications were received.

**STREET DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

The Council did not have any objections to Michael Taylor’s wheelchair ramp at 103 S. Scott Street. Mr. Taylor thinks the ramp will extend over the sidewalk.

**TOWN HALL 30-MINUTE PARKING ORDINANCE**

Ray Druley read an ordinance that he drafted regarding the parking in front of the Town Hall. Parking in front of the Town Hall on the north side of Brummitt Street will be limited to 30 minutes only. Signs will be posted in the area. The ordinance will be enforceable after publication.

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Rodger reported that his car is in full running order with the exception of a cage, which is on order. Rodger would like to put a new reserve officer on staff. Rodger asked that Nathan Krug be put on as a 3rd Reserve Officer. Rodger will have to look at his funds, but he will need to purchase Mr. Krug a gun.

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Rodger asked the Clerk to get prices on wireless routers for the Town Hall.

Clyde asked Rodger to strictly enforce the new ATV Ordinance, especially where kids are concerned. Clyde has been receiving calls about kids riding on town streets, which is prohibited. If a child (16 & under) is being toted, they are required to wear a helmet. Rodger stated that town residents were blowing their grass clippings into the streets, he will issue a warning, but if he has to revisit the residence, a ticket will be issued.

**DAYSRING CHURCH-RECYCLING PROGRAM**

Dayspring Church Mission Pastor, Rob Phares, asked Rodger to present a plan to the Town. Dayspring has a recycling bin trailer that has been painted nicely in which they would like to park on the south side of the library square on the west end of the block, near Mill Street. They will advertise for everyone to place their cans into the recycling bin. The Church will recycle the cans for use in their missions. The Council did not reach a decision on this, as they would rather not see the trailer placed on the Town square. Another idea was to ask the owners of the empty lot on the corner of Main & Montgomery permission to place the container on the lot.

**PLAN COMMISSION REPORT  
CLERK TREASURER’S REPORT**

The Deputy Clerk submitted the March water/sewer information to the Council as well as a February Fund Report. May 8<sup>th</sup> has been scheduled as Clean up Day. The council encouraged everyone to complete and return the Census forms when they receive them. Clyde asked that the council hold monthly employee meeting as it was done in the past.

The first meeting will be Monday, March 15, 2010 at 8:00 am at the Town Hall. Danny Kautzman expressed his concerns on vacant homes in town, what procedures does the town take in the up keep of these properties.

**GOLF CART ORDINANCE**

The Clerk had recently received money for the registration of golf carts. She asked the Council for clarification on receipt of the money. The Council would like the money to go into the Continuing Education Fund.

**EMPLOYEE MEETINGS/WORK SESSIONS**

Clyde reminded everyone about the monthly work session on May 4, 2010 which will begin at 8am.

**ADJOURNMENT/UPCOMING MEETING DATES**

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:15 p.m. The next regular meeting will be May 10, 2010 at 6:30p.m.

**TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE**

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DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

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BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

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CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer