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Farmer's Market  
Saturday's  
8:00 am - 12:00 noon  
St. James's Episcopal

Pewee Valley  
Summer Picnic  
Saturday, July 25th  
7:00 - 10:00 pm  
Town Square

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## JUNE COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council of Pewee Valley, Kentucky was held on June 1, 2009. In attendance were Mayor Bob Rogers, Council Members Dick Filippini, Bethany Major, Amy Johnson, Dana Barrette, Will Chambers, and Carol Akers. Also in attendance were City Attorney John Singler and City Clerk, Laura Eichenberger.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Dana Barrette reported that after reviewing this month's financials, he anticipates approximately \$80,000 will be moved to the City's reserve account at the end of the current fiscal year (which ends June 30, 2009).

## OPEN COMMENTS

Resident Gin Chaudion asked if residents were responsible for cleaning out the ditches in front of their property. Mayor Rogers responded that, yes, residents are responsible for keeping the waterways clear of debris on or around their property. If there is a problematic area of debris blocking waterways, please write the information down, or obtain a Residential Request for Action form from Town Hall or the City's website and give it to Chief Losik.

Mayor Rogers noted to those in attendance that he will speak to the issue of the Houston Lane Crossing once other open comments have been made.

Judy Hall addressed the Council and attending residents by reading out loud a letter entitled, "Important Change for Pewee Valley." With that, and there being no further open comments, Mayor Rogers addressed those present regarding the Houston Lane Crossing/Quiet Zone issue. The Federal Railroad Commission was contacted for designating the Houston Lane crossing – and eventually all of Pewee Valley – as a Quiet Zone.

During the April City Council Meeting, the Council motioned for and voted in favor of applying for the Quiet Zone designation. The motion included leaving the recommendation for the one way direction to Mel Milburn, City Engineer, and Diane Zimmerman, Senior Transportation Engineer for Jordan, Jones & Goulding, Inc., who would base their decision on traffic studies conducted at the site. Both Mel Milburn and Diane Zimmerman recommended that Houston be designated one way “out” onto Highway 146. The traffic study showed that converting Houston Lane to an exit will only increase the average delay from 7.6 seconds to 7.7 seconds per vehicle between the peak periods 7:25 to 8:05 a.m., and 2:35 to 3:05 p.m.

Mayor Rogers further noted that there was a time when the train horns were not used in Pewee Valley. In more recent years the Federal Railroad Commission passed mandatory requirements of use of the horns following several accidents. The requirements for qualifying for the Quiet Zone are very specific and must be strictly adhered to. The cities of Anchorage and Crescent Hill were required to completely close some crossings to qualify for Quiet Zone status. The designation of the Houston Lane crossing as a Quiet Zone is a first step in making all of Pewee Valley a Quiet Zone once again. This designation will be a great plus for the community. Emergency vehicle response time will not be affected as the crossing will be made 16 feet wide. The next steps toward this designation will include installing a curb at the crossing. Also, the Central Avenue and Muirs Lane crossings need quad-gates. However, the quad-gates are cost prohibited (\$300,000). The City has contacted Gary Hubbuch at St. Aloysius and they are writing letters regarding the pressing safety concerns at the crossings and the need for quad-gates.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

No report given.

## **POLICE REPORT**

Chief Losik reported that with summer approaching and kids are out of school, you typically see an increase in neighborhood crime. He learned early on in his career that crime is a result of opportunity. While our community is relatively safe, it is still necessary for us to do our part to help prevent crime from occurring. It takes effort for individuals to make themselves and their property less vulnerable. I would like to share with you some of the things we can do to keep our city safe.

### ***Home Safety:***

- \*When going on vacation, notify neighbors and law enforcement of your absence.
- \*Cancel your newspaper and have the Post Office hold your mail.
- \*Put one or more of your interior lights on timers.

### ***Property Safety:***

- \*Even when at home, keep your doors locked. This includes vehicles parked in your driveway. Most thefts from vehicles happen when cars are not locked.
- \*Exterior lighting is important. This allows you or your neighbor to see suspicious activity around your house.

### ***Personal Safety:***

- \*Be aware of things around you.
- \*When walking, invite a friend to join you.
- \*Avoid cutting through vacant property that is not visible to others.

Crime can never be stopped completely. All we can do is try to prevent it by reducing the opportunity for a crime to occur.

In May, the following activity occurred:

Traffic Stops – 39	Citizen Contacts – 62
Calls for Service – 8	Warning Citations – 20
Assist Other Units – 2	Accident Reports – 0
House Watches – 53	Routine Patrol Hours – 97.5
Citations Issued – 4	Hours on Detail – 3.5
Criminal Reports – 1	Signs Removed – 7
Radar Hours – 19	

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Thank You's** - Mayor Rogers publicly thanked Pat and Brad Palmer for planting the flowers in the circle in Town Square (and for watering them regularly). He also offered a special thanks to Robin O'Bryan who has done a great deal of work in helping to pull together the water quality (formerly "storm water") list as part of fulfilling the Storm Water Mandate.

**Memorial Celebration Tree** - Mayor Rogers noted to the Tree Board that the Memorial Celebration Tree needs to be replaced.

**Farmer's Market** - Doc Stuedle reported that the vendors' produce is not in yet. He is hoping for the first Farmers Market to open in mid-June.

## COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

**Dick Filippini** (Tree Board): Dick Filippini reported that the sidewalk on Central Avenue that was damaged by the January ice storm has been repaired and the tree removed. He also wanted to publicly thank Vivian Reinhardt, who has planted flowers around all the street signs throughout the City (at her own expense) and regularly waters them.

**Bethany Major** (Town Hall/Festivities): Bethany Major reminded everyone that the Summer Festival is scheduled for Saturday, July 25th, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., in Town Square. The Monarchs will provide the live entertainment and Bethany is lining up food vendors

Bethany also reported that Bill Shannon is the contractor who will demolish the garage structure

on the Morris Property. She and Amy Johnson have talked with landscapers about helping the property drain properly. The goal is to keep the property a green space in which to plant indigenous plants, provide a quiet place for residents to visit, as well as educational opportunities for the community. Keeping this property a green space will help the City to meet the storm water mandate's ongoing requirements.

Amy and Bethany are also writing a grant application to support the website portion of the Oral History project.

**Amy Johnson** (Sidewalks/Communications): Amy Johnson reported that any federal monies available to the City are tied up in the Highway 146 sidewalk project.

Amy further reported that the City website is in the process of being updated. The City Clerk is working with Jeff Money to upload all previous minutes (from 2008 to current) as well as the new section for agendas. The "unapproved" minutes from the current month's meeting will be uploaded to the website beginning with the June 2009 minutes. Jeff Money is also working on a database for creating a Pewee Valley events calendar and announcements section and making it possible for the City Clerk to upload information from the Clerk's office. The website will also contain a section for the storm water mandate activities, calendars, public information, etc.

**Carol Akers** (Public Safety): Carol Akers reported that five street lights have been removed by LG& E (three lights in front of St. Aloysius,

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one at the corner of Central and Edgewood Way, one on Rollington). All five lights were out of contract, so there is no cost to the City for their removal.

Carol has been in contact with Senator Harris and the Department of Transportation regarding the repair and/or replacement of two historical signs (repair or replacement is over \$2,000 each).

**Dana Barrette** (Storm Water/Insurance/Finance): No report.

**Will Chambers** (Waste Management/Mowing): Will Chambers reported receiving two complaints from residents regarding grass not being mowed and refrigerators/trash creating an eyesore for the neighborhood. Mayor Rogers noted that residents can complete a Resident Request for Action form (available through the website or Town Hall).

**Bob Rogers** (Police/Roads): Mayor Rogers reported that the paving process on Elm will begin in June. The cracks have been sealed and next

will be the fabric, followed by the asphalt. The City was able to save money by piggy-backing onto the County's contract with Flynn Brothers.

## OLD BUSINESS

**For Second Reading: Ordinance #2, Series 2009, An Ordinance Establishing a Storm and Surface Water Drainage System.** John Singler presented the ordinance noting that it is the last piece of the puzzle in terms of the City obtaining an independent permit. The ordinance passed at the May meeting creates the system and this ordinance (#2) addresses the implementation and administration of the system, and how to charge storm water fees. The fee schedule is addressed in the User Fee Policy. The amount of \$3.00 per Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) per month has been budgeted. This fee amount needs to be adopted by Municipal Order after the Ordinance is passed. This is the second reading by summary presented by John Singler, City Attorney.

A motion to adopt Ordinance #2 was made and seconded. A roll call vote was taken. All voted in favor and the Ordinance was adopted.


**Municipal Order #2-2009, A Municipal Order Relating to the Adoption of a Water Quality Management User Fee Policy for the City of Pewee Valley, Kentucky.** This Municipal Order sets the rate in Section 6.1, Initial Rate, of Water Quality Management User Fee Policy, Ordinance #2, An Ordinance Establishing a Storm and Surface Water Drainage System, "An impervious area based user fee rate of \$3.00 per



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# ANNOUNCEMENTS



*At the May meeting of the Pewee Valley Woman's Club, President Marsha Chadwick presented her gavel to Beverly Arave, president for the 2009-10 year. The first meeting of the new year will be September 16 at the clubhouse.*



*Ross Ewing Kennedy, son of Paula and Stephen Kennedy of Pewee Valley, proposes to Ashley Nichole Carter, daughter of Karen and Chris Carter of Louisville, at a Red Sox game in Fenway Park. A June, 2010 wedding is planned.*



*Robin and John O'Bryan of Pewee Valley announce the engagement of their daughter, Allison Lynette, to John Cale Doty, son of Tim and Debbie Doty of Blountville, TN. A March wedding is being planned.*

*Anne Pier of Lebanon, IL announces the engagement of her daughter, Sybil Ann, to Jeffrey Redmon Chadwick, son of Pewee Valley resident Marsha Chadwick and the late John Chadwick. A September wedding is being planned.*



*Mr. and Mrs. Burke Lasseigne of Pewee Valley are proud to announce that their son, Cody, has received the Superior Cadet Award at Eastern Kentucky University ROTC where he will be a sophomore. This is one of only two awards given out by ROTC. In August, Cody will attend Air Assault School, of which there is only one slot for EKV ROTC.*

*Cody is the grandson of Margie Thompso of Pewee Valley and the great-grandson of the late Mackie and Lillian (HunBun) Fletcher, former Pewee Valley Postmaster for 20 years.*



# PREP

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## The City of Pewee Valley takes your safety seriously!

While the Oldham County Emergency Management Services and Oldham County Dispatch have comprehensive Emergency Plans in the event of a disaster in our County and/or community, Mayor Bob Rogers and Chief of Police Mike Losik believe that the City of Pewee Valley should be prepared for an emergency that may isolate our residents from these services for a short period of time. With that in mind, the Chief and community volunteers began to develop **PREP**, the Pewee Resident Emergency Plan.

To assist in our efforts, we're asking Pewee residents to please fill out the information provided and send to: **City Clerk, 312 Mt. Mercy Drive, P. O. Box 769, Pewee Valley, KY 40056**. Rest assured, this information is being requested only as a precautionary measure in the event you or your assigned contact needs to be reached in the event of an emergency. This information will be kept totally confidential.

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Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Are you the owner of this property Y / N Is this a rental property? Y / N

If this is a rental, please list contact information for renter below.

# in Household \_\_\_\_\_ Are there any non-English speaking household members? Y / N

Are any household members disabled or require special assistance in the event of an emergency? Y / N

Describe special assistance needed (i.e. on oxygen, wheelchair-bound) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special skills or equipment that might be helpful in the event of an emergency?

If so, and you are willing to assist, please describe \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) per month will become effective July 1, 2009.” Following brief discussion regarding the billing cycle (the schedule goal is to begin billing through the Louisville Water Company with the next billing cycle). A motion was made and seconded to adopt Municipal Order #2-2009. All Council Members voted in favor.

**For second reading: John Singler presented a second reading by summary of Ordinance #5, Series 2009, An Ordinance Establishing the Budget for the City of Pewee Valley for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2009 and Ending June 30, 2010.** Following a brief discussion, Dana Barrette noted that the Sidewalk line item was increased by \$5,000. As a result of a surplus from the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year, the City now has additional money for projects. A motion to adopt Ordinance #5 was made and seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion was voted all in favor and the Ordinance was adopted.

**Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Municipal Aid Co-op Program Resolution and Contract.** Mayor Rogers reported that the City enters into this contract annually, which allows the City to receive monies from the State Highway Department. One of the advantages to the City by entering this Contract is that if an urgent need arises, there is an emergency fund accessible to those participating in the Co-op Program. A motion to adopt the Resolution was made and seconded. All Council Members voted in favor.

**Planning & Zoning—Paul Culbertson.** Paul Culbertson of the Oldham County Planning & Zoning Office provided an update of current business at Planning & Zoning. The Planning & Zoning Office will have a representative present at the regular City Council meetings to provide a summary of activity from their office. Paul updated the Council and residents present on applications received from the April and June Planning & Zoning meetings.

Upon approval of payment of outstanding bills, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn.

### A WORD OF CAUTION

Councilwoman Carol Akers reported that her children were walking in Pewee Valley when a van pulled up alongside them and the occupants tried to talk the kids into getting in the van. Residents are asked to be on the lookout for suspicious vehicles or activity and to contact Chief Losik immediately with any concerns. Also, residents need to make sure their children are properly schooled on what to do in the event they are approached by a stranger.

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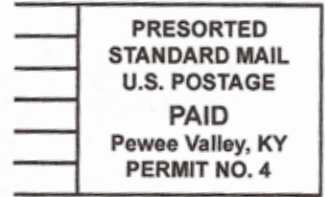
# PEWEE VALLEY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	ACTIVITY	FOR INFORMATION
REGISTER NOW	<b>Fall Softball League</b> - Men's and coed softball starts August 10. Six regular-season games plus a single elimination tournament. League fee \$295.	O.C. Parks & Recreation 225-0655
REGISTER NOW	<b>Kids Wilderness Camp</b> - Morgan Conservation Park. Ages 9-12. Camp runs Monday, Wednesday and Friday (July 13, 15 & 17) from 9:30 am - 12:30 pm. \$45.	O.C. Parks & Recreation 225-0655
Saturdays	8 am - 12 noon - <b>Farmer's Market</b> - St. James Episcopal Church, Pewee Valley.	Pewee Valley Town Hall 241-8343
Now through Aug 2	<b>Sculpture in the Dell</b> - Great garden sculptures in the unmatched setting of Yew Dell's gardens and grounds. Regular hours and admission.	Yew Dell Gardens 241-4788
Sat, July 4	<b>Freedom Celebration</b> - Wendell Moore Park. Festivities begin in afternoon and conclude in the evening with fireworks display over the lake.	O.C. Parks & Recreation 225-0655
Mon, July 6	7 pm - <b>Pewee Valley Town Council Meeting.</b>	Pewee Valley Town Hall 241-8343
Sat, July 11	9 am - <b>Firecracker 5K Run/Walk</b> - Westport Park. Registration fee \$20.	O.C. Parks & Recreation 225-0655
Sat, July 11	6-9:30 pm - <b>Smith-Berry Vineyard Dinner and Concert</b> - Jimmy Davis Band (infused rock).	Smith-Berry Vineyard 845-7091
Sat & Sun, July 11-12	<b>Championship Golf Tournament</b> - Tournament is open to males ages 16 and over. Scheduled for Eagle Creek Golf Course. Registration fee of \$60, includes cart.	O.C. Parks & Recreation 225-0655
Thurs, July 16	7-9 pm - <b>Concert in the Dell - Bourbon Baroque</b> - 17th & 18th centuries period music. \$12 members; \$15 non-members.	Yew Dell Gardens 241-4788
Fri, July 17	<b>Oldham County Day YMCA Run/Walk</b> - 1 mile 7:15 pm; 5K 7:30 pm. Race begins at the Covenant United Methodist Church at 909 West Jefferson Street, LaGrange, KY. Early registration \$20 by July 13.	O.C. YMCA 2223901
Sat, July 18	<b>Oldham County Day</b> - Day begins with a parade through downtown LaGrange. Food and booths throughout the day.	Project Guild of LaGrange 222-9173
Sat, July 25	9 am - 3 pm - <b>Garden Photography Workshop</b> - Learn how to take garden and plant photos from a Southern Living photographer. Bring camera and tripod if you have one. \$75 for members; \$85 non-members,	Yew Dell Gardens 241-4788
Sat, July 25	6-9:30 pm - <b>Smith-Berry Vineyard Dinner and Concert</b> - Nervous Melvin and the Mistakes (great pop/rock).	Smith-Berry Vineyard 845-7091
Sat, July 25	7-10 pm - <b>Pewee Valley Summer Picnic featuring the Monarchs</b> - Join us in Town Square.	Pewee Valley Town Hall 241-8343

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