

CITY OF POMEROY
PUBLIC HEARINGS
MINUTES
March 23, 2026

OPENING OF PUBLIC HEARING: called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Mayor Cynthia Loots

Roll Call: B Hinners, B Thoma, D DeVore, C Charleston and M Becker. Absent: none.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Hearing: Proposed property tax levy.

Public Comment: Jenny Dunfee and Chad Tingle introduced themselves to the Council and asked how much the property taxes would be going up. City Clerk Juilfs showed them the hearing notice which lists how much property tax is due for the current year and what it would be next year with the proposed tax levy rate for a house valued at hundred thousand dollars.

Closing of Public Hearing: 5:34 P.M.

The Council and Library Board traveled to the Catholic Church to discuss possible locations for City Hall in the church. The Council returned to the library to have their special meeting.

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Call to Order: called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor Cynthia Loots.

Roll Call: B Hinners, B Thoma D DeVore, C Charleston and M Becker. Absent: none.

Mayor and Council Comments: D DeVore stated the Easter Egg Hunt will be 10:00A.M. on April 4th at the Pomeroy Care Center.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by D DeVore seconded by B Hinners to approve the agenda. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinners, B Thoma, C Charleston, D DeVore and M Becker. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: There was none.

Complaint & Affidavit Municipal Infraction: Doug and Gabby Hepperle addressed the Council about the infraction letter Gabby Hepperle received. Doug questioned why the letter was only addressed to Gabby and not him. Doug brought up that they discussed his property back on August 18th when they got a building permit to add onto the house. They had planned to fix the north garage first but discovered a leak in the house and foundation problems, their plan was to get as much done as they could before winter. He stated they removed the pool, power washed the north garage and scraped it. They asked what it is the Council wants them to do. Mayor Loots said pictures were taken and sent to the lawyer who then drafted the infraction letter. Mayor Loots gave an update on the letters that have been sent to the property owners of the north garage for the past five years. Brock Hinners updated the Council on his timeline for the project and stated it was his equipment that broke down in the right-of-way on the north side of the property. G Hepperly asked each Council member to individually state what concerns they had with the property. B Thoma listed unregistered vehicles, construction debris, in his opinion a permanent structure in the right-of-way by the patio, the telehandler needs moved and there needs to be significant improvements made to the north garage. G Hepperle said all the vehicles are now registered. M Becker listed clearing the right-of-way and finish building the garage. B Hinners listed construction debris, move the tin shed out of the right-of-way and make improvements to the north garage. C Charleston listed cleaning up the yard and a timeline to get the improvements made. D DeVore listed the north garage completed, clear the right-of-way of the sidewalk and vehicles and clean up the patio. Mayor Loots repeatedly asked D & G Hepperle to not confuse the building permit for the house from the nuisance

citation, stating they are two separate issues. C Loots listed the removal of the heavy equipment, the construction debris, the miscellaneous junk in the right-of-way going into Gordon Prange Park and that the house converted to a garage needs to be painted. The Council asked Hepperle's to give a response to the clerk of court, which is stated in the infraction letter, that they will have the municipal infraction cleared up by May 30th. Brock Hinnners stated he will have the north garage done by Memorial Day.

Budget FY26: A motion was made by M Becker seconded by B Hinner to set the public hearing for adopting the FY27 budget on April 13th at 6PM. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinnners, B Thoma, C Charleston, D DeVore and M Becker. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Building Permit: A motion was made by B Hinnners seconded by D DeVore to approve the building permit for 409 S Ontario St. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinnners, B Thoma, C Charleston, D DeVore and M Becker. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Complaint & Affidavit Municipal Infraction: Mayor Loots stated R Buenting had called the City attorney to talk about his infraction letter. He asked if he could have 90 days to take the garage down. The Council said he needs to file a response to the clerk of court and ask for 90 days to complete the nuisance abatement.

Gravel purchases: The Council discussed gravel at the campground, school and cemetery. B Thoma made a motion seconded by M Becker for 5 loads of 1" Roadstone for the park and cemetery, one load of 2" Clean for the school and to have Pat Hogan haul four loads of crushed asphalt to the school. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinnners, B Thoma, C Charleston, D DeVore and M Becker. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:56 P.M.

_____ Cynthia Loots Mayor

_____ Sarah Juilfs City Clerk