RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of The Regular Meeting

January 26, 2026 @ 7:00 P.M.

Council met in Regular session with Lora Lyons, Brad Bohland, Jason Hower, Allen Wobler, Jason Miller, Jennifer Zartman, and Priscilla Kadolph present.

Guests Present: EMS Coordinator Lyons, Brant Heck, Brian Martin, Amanda Morehead, Parker Martin, Jennifer Martin, Angie Gordon, Andy Knueve, Estee Blair, and Lorenzo Zamora

The Minutes from the January 12, 2026 meeting were read. Councilwoman Kadolph motioned to approve the minutes. Councilman Hower second the motion. Motion passed.

**EMS: EMS Coordinator Lyons** was present and reported the following to Council:

1. There are 12 runs reported for this month with 1 run being missed.
2. EMS Coordinator Lyons has applied for the BWC Grant for the Lucas System for $17,000.00, which is currently pending.
3. Squad 54 is still being repaired.

**Fire Department: Chief Hefner** was not present and **EMS Coordinator Lyons** presented to Council:

1. There were 3 runs for the month.

**Police Department:** **Police Chief Miller** was not present and Mayor Lyons presented to council:

1. The official retirement date for Police Chief Miller is set for March 3, 2026.
2. Chief Miller’s cruiser is turned in and being stored in the Fire Department.
3. There has been 1 application for the Chief of Police position, and there has been no applications for the Full Time Officer. The Village may need to repost the position if no applications come in.
4. There is a training for the Chief of Police the week of March 9th. Councilwoman Kadolph motioned to take the police cruiser to the training. Councilwoman Zartman second the motion. Motion passed.
5. Brandon is wondering if the Village will revisit the potential for family insurance once Chief Miller retires. This discussion is tabled for another time.

**Street:** **Street Supervisor Miller** presented to council:

1. The salt spreader broke from bad wiring and needed repaired. The bill from Koester’s came in at $965.83 and needs approved. Councilwoman Kadolph motioned to approve the bill. Councilwoman Zartman second the motion. Motion passed.
2. The spring on the plow broke over the weekend and will also need repaired.

**Zoning: Zoning Inspector Sinn** was not present and **Mayor Lyons** presented to council:

1. Jason Bauer is being added to the zoning committee.
2. Chad Lyons is being added to the Board of Appeals.

**Committee Reports:**

1. The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for 04/04/2026.
2. The Rock the Block is scheduled for 09/12/2026. Mayor Lyons would like Rodney Miller to be the Rock Star.
3. Halloween is scheduled for 10/31/2026 from 4PM-6PM with the costume contest afterwards.

**Correspondence Letters/Community Events:** The WT Performing Art Association was asking for donations. Council agreed to stay out of school functions because it isn’t fair to sponsor some functions and not others. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources has sent a letter for an inspection to make sure that everything is compliant for Grant Funds.

**Old Business:**

1. The storage racks and containers have been purchased. Mayor Lyons will be working on the back room in the next couple of weeks.
2. Honor plaques – The Sinn’s are looking to see if they can inlay the brass plaque. If so, we can quote getting one made for the Payne Community Park.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Ordinance 2026-1 – Permanent Appropriations was presented. Councilwoman Kadolph motioned to suspend. Councilwoman Zartman second the motion. Motion passed. Councilman Hower motioned to approve the Permanent Appropriations. Councilman Miller second the motion. Motion passed.
2. 2026 Recapitulation of Funds was presented. Councilwoman Kadolph motioned to suspend. Councilman Bohland second the motion. Motion passed. Councilwoman Kadolph motioned to approve the Recapitulation of Funds. Councilwoman Zartman second the motion. Motion passed.
3. It has been brought to Mayor Lyons attention that having events with alcohol should not be at the American Legion because of bringing drinks in and out of the legion. Because of this, Mayor Lyons informed council that events need to be looked into having them at the community park. At the park, they operate on a 220 AMP breaker box. She needs to check with Mike Treece to see if it can function with everything that goes on at Rock the Block.
4. ODNR Tree Grant – TrueVine needed some follow up on the tree list. The Tree Commission is to follow up.
5. Jennifer Zartman was sworn in for her new term.
6. Ohio Plan Renewal was sent to the departments to review. USI Public Sector Group is interesting in meeting with council.
7. SRTS is estimated at $740,000 for the project. The Grant funding between TAPS & SRTS is $700,000 ($40,000 out of pocket for the village) and any unforeseen costs. The map was adjusted per the cost (section between Laura and Main Street will be an addendum to add if the bids come in low enough). Surveys need to go out for the grant, which will be randomized. There will be an incentive for completing the survey. Everyone will be put into a drawing, and three households will be selected for free water for a bill cycle. The residents who win will still have to pay their sewer and trash portion of the bill.

**BPA: Mayor Lyons** reported to council:

1. Bowman’s agreement for construction has some language that he is requesting to be updated. The language is as follows:

* Language in case he is injured or dies
* Language about using subcontractors
* Language about if changes to the council or mayor that the contract still stands
* Seeing if it was okay to sell a few lots with an agreement it will be developed within 12 months or sold back

1. The estimates for Dangler are still pending.
2. WTP – Kleinfelder Breakdown of Phases updated: Kleinfelder’s is sending to EPA for approval

**Good and Welfare:**

Thank you to everyone for their hard work plowing, shoveling and snow-blowing to clear roads, alleys, and sidewalks for residents and businesses. We appreciate all of your efforts!

Councilwoman Kadolph motioned to approve the financial reports from the Fiscal Officer. Councilman Miller second the motion. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Zartman motioned to approve the payment of bills presented. Councilwoman Kadolph second the motion. All voted yes. Motion passed.

With no further business, Councilwoman Kadolph moved to adjourn. Motion second by Councilwoman Zartman. Meeting adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

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Mayor Lora Lyons Fiscal Officer Cassie Wright