

ORDINANCE NUMBER 11 - 2026

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING VILLAGE POLICY CONCERNING INDIGENT BURIALS OR CREMATIONS CONSISTENT WITH ITS DUTIES UNDER STATE LAW AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, State law requires the Village to handle expenses concerning certain burials or cremations as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 9.15.

WHEREAS, Schlabaugh Funeral Home located within the Village of Shreve, Wayne County, Ohio, has expressed a willingness to assist the Village in carrying out its duties.

WHEREAS, the present approximate cost to the Village for an indigent burial or cremation would be approximately \$1,000.00.

WHEREAS, the Village finds said costs to be fair and reasonable and would prefer to deal locally.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Shreve, Wayne County, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1: That the Village shall direct all indigent descendants to Schlabaugh Funeral Home for burial or cremation. Furthermore, the Mayor or his/her designee shall establish an internal policy in consultation with Schlabaugh Funeral Home for the management and burial or cremation of indigent descendant remains.

Section 2: That the Mayor or his/her designee, who may be the funeral director, shall be responsible for ensuring an indigent descendant's remains are handled in a manner consistent with applicable law, that notice of the death is provided to all necessary parties as required by applicable law, that consent for the handling of the indigent decedent's remains is obtained from all necessary parties as required by applicable law, and for making the ultimate determination that the decedent is indigent.


Section 3: That this Ordinance is in the best interests of the Village of Shreve and its residents.

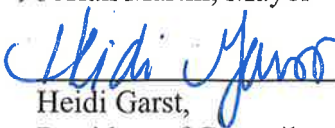
Section 4: That the aforesaid recitals are rendered to be the findings of this Council and are hereby incorporated into this Ordinance.

Section 5: That this Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council which resulted in formal action were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with the applicable legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 6. That this Council hereby finds and declares this Ordinance to be, so long as it receives the necessary 2/3 vote of Council, an emergency and immediately effective upon passage because this Ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the Village.

4-6-2026
Approved On



Josiah Martin, Mayor


Heidi Garst,
President of Council

Attestation:

I, Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Shreve, Wayne County, Ohio do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 11 - 2026 is a correct copy of the Ordinance passed by a **majority/two-thirds** vote of members of the members of the Village of Shreve Council, which Ordinance was duly passed by the Council of the Village of Shreve, and approved by Mayor of the Village of Shreve, County of Wayne, and State of Ohio on 6th day of, APRIL, 2026 given under my hand the official seal this this 6th day of, APRIL 2026.

by:  _____, Leah Weirick Fiscal Officer