

Special Council Minutes

September 24, 2026

Council Members in attendance: Council President: Sue Schroeder, Dave Heitmeyer, Sue Chriatman, Jason Goodwin and Sherry Valdez. Mayor Rick Recker, Village Administrator Kevin Siferd, Fiscal Officer/Tax Administrator Renee Spangler, and Ben Ellerbrock. Rick Moyer and Solicitor Barry Schroeder were absent.

Mayor Rick Recker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. He then led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

RESOLUTION 3483: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEN TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR. Was read for the third time. Jason Goodwin made a motion to approve Resolution 3483, and this was seconded by Dave Heitmeyer. Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin yea, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sherry Valdez yea, Rick Moyer absent.

RESOLUTION 3485: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO RENEW PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE: AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Kevin Siferd let the council know that he got two quotes for the Villages Liability Insurance and they are as follows: PEP \$109,930.00 and this includes a decrease of \$1,800.00 from last year. The other quote was from Ohio Plan in the amount of \$83,202.00 and this is w/o the rail spur coverage. Since Ohio Plan didn't have a to us for the rail coverage and our renewal with PEP is on October 1, this Resolution is to authorize to renew with PEP. Was read for the first time. A motion to suspend the rules and read Resolution 3485 for the second and third time tonight was made by Sue Schroeder and seconded by Dave Heitmeyer. Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin yea, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sherry Valdez yea, Rick Moyer absent. Resolution 3485 was read for the second and third time. Dave Heitmeyer made a motion to approve Resolution 3485, and this was seconded by Sherry Valdez. Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin yea, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sherry Valdez yea, Rick Moyer absent.

ORDINANCE 3486: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 3455 AS THE FOURTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE 2026 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Was read for the first time. A motion to suspend the rules and read Ordinance 3486 for the second and third time tonight was made by Sue Schroeder and seconded by Sherry Valdez. Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin yea, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sherry Valdez yea, Rick Moyer absent. Ordinance 3485 was read for the second and third time. Sherry Valdez made a motion to approve Ordinance 3486, and this was seconded by Sue Christman. Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin yea, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sherry Valdez yea, Rick Moyer absent.

Sherry Valdez said the Main Street USA event went well. She said she had someone say that maybe next year the Village could street sweep the streets before the event.

Rick Recker let the council know that Barry Schroeder let him know he is working on the ditch lots.

Administrator's Report

The paving on Mathias Street is completed.

OPWC Round 41 we submitted for Broadway Street for \$90,000.00 the next meeting for this will be November 4, 2026.

ODOT Jobs & Commerce Grant for \$200,000.00 for Turner Street was approved.

Kevin Siferd said the application for ORDC grant has been submitted for \$207,000.00 this would be for 700 ties and switches.

Kleinfelder provided an update in the packet. Mr. Siferd also said there is a \$22,000.00 change order to increase the engineering for Poplar Street waterline due to additional areas of waterline upgrade not included in original discussion with employees.

Preconstruction meeting for Bennett Park Parking Lot was this week they plan to start November 1, 2026, and substantially complete on November 30, 2026.

The following are who will be on the Steering Committee for the Crossroads Zoning, the Mayor, Sue Schroeder (Council President), Dave Heitmeyer (Planning commission), Mike Butler (BZA), Stacey Benton (resident), and the Administrator.

False Fire alarms at the meadows, Mayor Rick Recker said the fire department has been dispatched to the meadows for fifteen false fire alarms this year. The fire chief would see a policy that allows a charge to a business that has anything over four false alarms in one year get charged a fee.

Storm brush pick up Kevin gave the council a policy to look over for this. This would be for brush pick up after a storm. Jason Goodwin asked if we could make it seven days instead of three days for people that work swing shifts. Mr. Siferd said it's up to council. Dave Heitmeyer said I would go for five days. Kevin said five days or five business days. The council said five business days.

With the village moving the compost pile, the field we are moving it to has beans in it, we will owe the farmer \$1200.00 for loss of crops.

Water Distribution Study, Wastewater Treatment Plant study Jones & Henry, Choice One, Hoff Consulting Services.

The Check Register was reviewed and initialed by the council. Dave Heitmeyer made a motion to approve the reviewed reports, and Jason Goodwin seconded the motion, Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin yea, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sherry Valdez yea, Rick Moyer absent.

With no further business to come before the council, a motion for adjournment was made by Dave Heitmeyer and seconded by Sherry Valdez. Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin yea, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sherry Valdez yea, Rick Moyer absent. The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 P.M. The next council meeting will be on October 5, 2026, at 7:30 P.M.

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST: _____