

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 9, 2026**

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Wilson

**PRESENT:** Temple, Morenz, Cox, Donnalley, Hiner, Smith & Beech

**ABSENT:**

The regular meeting on June 9, 2026 was called to order at 6:30 with Mayor Wilson presiding.

Brian Davis, Sheep Recovery, opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES REGULAR MEETING MAY 26, 2026**

Donnalley made the motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting 5/26/26  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Hiner made the motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$42,419.22  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

Hiner made the motion to approve payroll for PPE 5/23/26 in the amount of \$69,610.03  
Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**GUEST (S):**

Judy Noel was present to update Council on the fireworks celebrations planned for July 2<sup>nd</sup>. The event is free to attend thanks to donations with the only exception being food trucks, which there will be 15 trucks. Gates will open at noon that day with the welcoming at 4:00 pm by Roger Bacon and fireworks at dusk. Mrs. Noel would like to request the assistance of the Lisbon Police Department with security detail for that day saying she knows how well of a job they do with the other events in town. Last year it was hired out but this year she thinks having the local police department present would be a nice touch. Chief Abraham and Mrs. Noel will set up a meeting to work on the details.

Brody McCreight was present speaking on behalf of several youth who were also at the meeting asking if Council would be interested in creating a skate park in the village. The closest park is in Alliance with Mr. McCreight saying that it is a long way to go for some kids in the area. He explained what apparatus would help to start and how there are grants available out there for parks. It does not have to be very big, just a few ramps and rails. He also mentioned there is not much in town for kids to do and this would be a nice addition. Their idea for the location is the vacant piece of land the village own at the bottom of S Jefferson St and end of E Maple St near the current county parks garage. Council asked a few questions about the grants and gave some ideas for the group to look into. Council asked them to bring back some ideas, and they will take this under consideration.

Jeremy McCreight, Brody's father, thanked council for taking the time to listen to kids. Also saying there is not much for kids to do outside, this would be a nice addition to town. Mr. McCreight even mentioned that this park could be monitored at all times if cameras were placed there they could be viewed in the police department. He feels this group of kids would work in helping to keep the area clean and take care of the equipment.

Prior to starting old business, the Mayor moved a few topics around for individuals that were here to talk on the Strategic plan and Hilcorp proposed lease.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RE: ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE AND MOU**

Council was given in their packets the MOU between the Village and ODOT for the active transportation plan, they were also given scope of work Toole Design has approved by ODOT. Mayor Wilson reported that the committee had a meeting last week, there is an engagement day planned on July 16<sup>th</sup>. The day will include a walk up N Market St to Saltwell, a pop up event followed by a walk on the South side of town including Lincoln Way and the Greenway Trail. The pop up event will be during lunch this will be to gather information from the public and get to know the area. Council President Hiner who is part of the committee mentioned it is hard for her to attend the meetings during the day with her full time job, she suggested that maybe others on council try to attend so council has representation on the committee. Meetings have been scheduled for the first Tuesday every month at 10:30 am. All of councils contact information will be added to the invite for anyone who would like to attend the meetings.

**RE: STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE**

Roberta Striffert, RCAP, was present to review two different types of planning the village could do at no cost. These are programs offered by RCAP free of charge. The strategic plan would be a community involved plan that council could use to make informed decision on items the community would like to have. She uses focus groups and smaller meetings for this process. The other is an internal asset management plan where department heads would meet with her doing an inventory, cost analysis, maintenance schedule, and replacement schedule. This would assist council in making decision on equipment needs, possible funding opportunities and a savings plan. RCAP will also assist with any funding opportunities applications. Council man Cox mentioned that if this is the route Council decides on when it could start and who besides department heads should be involved, he feels that the specific council committee should be involved with each department. Ms. Striffert said she would not be able to start until July. Council President Hiner believes it would be best to start at the department level instead of a community wide strategic plan.

Hiner made the motion to move forward with a department head level asset management plan with the assistance of council committees

Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

Ms. Striffert thanked council and said she would be ready to begin in July.

**RE: TREE REMOVAL QUOTES**

Council was presented quotes from Barnes Tree Service and Alan Glover to remove a tree at 416 N Jefferson, 399 N Jefferson, a tree at the corner of S Vine St and E Washington St, removal of a stump on N Jefferson and High St and a final stump on E Washington St and corner of S Jefferson St. Barnes quoted \$6,150.00 and Glover was \$9,399.00. Fiscal Officer Wonner reported there is not enough remaining in the Shade Tree appropriations to complete this work without having to do a line item transfer, where would council like this money to come from. The 2026 appropriations for Shade Tree totaled \$10,000.00 and they had already spent \$7,712.00 . Mayor Wilson said the Urban Forestry grant could not be used until the fall, this grant is a \$25,000.00 reimbursable grant. Ms. Wonner stated this money will also have to be moved to cover those expenses prior to the reimbursement. She will do want council wants but there are some decisions that need to be made, the mayor said this is important and needs to be done. When discussed more to determine which are safety hazards the following motion was made.

Cox made the motion to approve taking down the tree at 419 N Jefferson, 399 N Jefferson, the tree at the corner of S Vine and E Washington St and the stump on N Jefferson and High at a cost of \$5,900.00 using the remaining Shade Tree appropriations and the moving appropriations from the village.  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**RE: REMOVAL OF PARKING TICKET BOXES ON DOWNTOWN POLES**

The Mayor brought the map into show council members saying that all the poles are not needed they will only be using 5 or 6 poles. He reminded council this was approved back in June 2025. After some discussion that included Chief Abraham stating that the boxes are used some, just a few weeks ago about 10 tickets were taken from the boxes. Council woman Temple questioned if some of the boxes could be taken down. Chief Abraham said that it would be up to council. It was decided that there is a sign on the pole indicating the parking ticket box and below the sign is the box itself that says parking ticket box to just remove the signs and place the map above the parking ticket box.

**RE: DISPOSAL OF 2005 F250 VIN #4364**

This vehicle did not meet the minimum bid in 2025 of \$4,000.00 on GovDeals when trying to sell last year. When asked Street Supervisor Oliver believes that the village could get \$1,200.00 if scrapped. It was decided to set the minimum bid at \$1,200.00; a resolution will be prepared for the next meeting to authorize the resale of the 2005 F250.

**RE: DIPOSE OR REPAIR OF 2018 FORD INTERCEPTOR VIN #9068**

The vehicle is currently Unit #4 per Chief Abraham and is the next to come out of the rotation, it needs new tires and brakes but is still a good car. He would like to take this car out of rotation and repurpose it as a School Resource Officer vehicle. Officer Hewitt, who serves as the SRO, was also present at the meeting, he has talked to the school they support this idea. His idea is to involve the students in the design and use the Career Center to possibly repaint the vehicle white to match the current cruisers. Campbell Signs currently does the graphics on the village vehicles so they would contact them for this if the design were not painted on. Mr. Hewitt showed council a flyer he had prepared and a design idea he had had if this was approved, council liked what he had to show.

Hiner made the motion to take the 2018 Ford Vin #9068 out of the rotation and make it a designated School Resource Officer car  
Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**RE: SWIMMING POOL UPDATE – STATE CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AWARD**

Mayor Wilson reported the village was awarded the \$150,000.00 state capital expenditure request, we are awaiting details on the process. The stand pipe testing has been completed, it is believed the skimmer needs to be replaced, there are 4 bad areas. After much discussion on possible cost and estimates it was decided to be able to start to move forward with these repairs. It would be in the best interest of the village to have an engineer look at the pool and prepare a cost estimate to determine the next step.

Hiner made the motion to have Howells and Baird prepare a cost estimate on the pool repairs needed.  
Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

Mayor Wilson reported the splash pad is open and everything is working great. The attendants that were hired are all doing a good job.

**RE: GRANT UPDATES**

The village did not receive the T Mobile Grant; this was the last year for this grant. The deadline has passed for the Disc golf Association grant; the village will reapply for this grant. Mayor Wilson reported the village has requested extensions on the State Capital Expenditure approval for Willow Grove bridge 5-6 times, when he requested this year, they balked a little and have yet to approve the extension. This approval is \$98,000.00 after the administrative fee of \$2,000.00. The mayor plans to explain to them where the Village and ODOT are in this project, he will keep council updated. The mayor asked council if they were interested in applying for an ODNR grant for the pickle ball courts. Council President asked if this was a match, in the past it has been an 80/20 match. She suggested looking into it but there were no guarantees until the village knew what exactly had to be done with the pool.

**RE: VILLAGE WIDE GARAGE SALE**

The dates have been set for the sale July 23-25. If interested residents are to contact the Mayor's office, there are no permits or fees required.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RE: HILCORP UTICA LEASE OFFICE PARCEL 09-03951.000 (3.17 ACRE PROPERTY OLD SEWER PLANT SR 154)**

Matt McCale, Hilcorp, presented to council a lease offer for dry gas only on parcel 09-03951.000, a 3.17 acre piece of property on SR 154 where the old sewer plant was located and the salt bin is located now. Mr. McCale explained the lease is a no surface lease only subsurface, with horizontal drilling being 1 to 1.5 miles underground. The Salem Grubbs well on Miller Rd in Leetonia is being plugged and extended, a new well is planned to be drilled on the current well pad at that location currently. Mr. McCale did say that these plans can always change but at this time that is the plan. The current offer is \$850.00 per acre with 15% gross royalty. Mr. McCale gave Solicitor Beech the copies of the lease proposal. Council asked Solicitor Beech to review the lease proposal before making any decisions.

**RE: 2027 TAX BUDGET ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**

Council was given in their packets the 2027 tax budget information, the process was explained at the last council meeting. Council President Hiner asked if there were any questions or concerns, hearing none.

Hiner made the motion to approve the 2027 tax budget as presented  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**RE: RESOLUTION NO. 2262-2026 – RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE CITY OF SALEM 2027 LGF**

Hiner made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2262-2026  
Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**RE: RESOLUTION NO. 2263-2026 – APPROVING THE ALTERNATE FORMULA DISTRIBUTION 2027 LGF**

Hiner made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2263-2026  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**RE: RESIGNATION FT DISPATCHER C. KOLTON**

Cox made the motion to accept the resignation of Cassandra Kolton  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

Chief Abraham pointed out that in her resignation she indicated that she would be available for part time, he does not intend on using her.

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**RE: HIRING PT DISPATCHER – S. HARDY**

Chief Abraham stated the part timers will be covering the full time shift until it is decided how to fill the full time position.

Hiner made the motion to hire Sabrina Hardy as a part time dispatcher  
Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**RE: HANDHELD RADAR QUOTE**

Council was given a quote in the amount of \$1,218.00 for a new handheld radar in their packet. This falls under the new threshold for bidding when under the state requirement.

Cox made the motion to approve the purchase of the handheld radar from Midwest Public Safety in the amount of \$1,218.00  
Morenz 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**RE: PROPERTY CLEAN UP 228 PRITCHARD AVE**

Chief Abraham and Solicitor Beech reported this property has been an issue and is considered a health safety issue. The current resident is incarcerated and unable to complete the court order she was given for cleanup. Chief Abraham would like to know how council wants to proceed, do we want to hire this out or do in house. It was decided that hiring out is the best option.

Hiner made the motion to hire the clean up out and assess the cost to the property taxes for cleanup  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**RE: E BICYCLE AND E SCOOTER SAFETY**

Mayor Wilson mentioned the possibility of a safety program for e bicycles and scooters, with the increase of these and how fast they can go. There are kids riding them without helmets, even though we cannot make them wear the helmets. Council said this is probably a good idea to have something for those who would want to attend.

**RE: COUNCIL MEETING CHANGE**

Council woman Temple brought up having only one council meeting a month for July, August, and September and if needed have a special meeting. Council President Hiner said the only concern she has is with the pool and not knowing what we need to do with that. Mayor Wilson was not in favor of the idea saying there is just too much going on, Ms. Temple said this is a council decision.

Temple made the motion to have one meeting a month in July, August, and September

Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

The non roll call vote was too close to call, Mayor Wilson asked for a roll call vote.

Temple, yes; Morenz; no;  
Cox, yes; Donnalley, yes; Hiner, no;  
Smith, no resulting in a tie

Mayor Wilson said this may be the only time I agree with Council woman Hiner I vote no  
Motion Passed

### **FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

The following financial statements were distributed to the council in their packets: May bank reconciliation and fund summary reports, and the most current month end fund summary. All vouchers were presented to the council prior to the meeting for signatures.

### **STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Street department quadrant reports were submitted to council in their packets.

### **PARKS REPORT**

Council man Smith asked if we had a date for when the walking path was going to be sealed, at this time there is not.

### **BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS REPORT**

BPA Chairman Hoover reported the tap in's for the 2 new houses on Sherman and 1 on Pritchard are complete. There is a pre-construction meeting Wednesday June 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am for the SR 45/Adams Rd line extension. The board approved leak seekers to come into town for their yearly leak detection work.

### **ZONING**

Approved zoning permits were presented to council in their packets.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Council man Morenz reported the work on the pavilion near the pickle ball courts has started. Mayor Wilson mentioned it is moving along nicely, and the contractor is waiting on concrete.

Mr. Morenz raised some concerns with the filling of two separate pot holes; one on Beaver St near Pritchard and the other at the end of Beaver and Washington. They both have a bump and a dip, he would like to see the street department go back and put more blacktop in the hole and use the roller to go over it. He feels that when it was done there was not enough blacktop in the actual hole so when the roller went over it pushed it out because there was not enough to go down to make the surface level. Mr. Oliver said they would go look at those.

Council President Hiner asked if we had a date for the catch basin work that was approved several months ago, the Village is next on Mr. Dailey's calendar.

Mayor Wilson reported there is a concert in the square scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Hiner made the motion to go into executive session for the promotion of public employees and a conference with attorney for the public body concerning disputes that are subject to pending litigation

Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes with a roll call vote  
Motion Passed

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm

Morenz made the motion to reconvene at pm from executive session  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes with a roll call vote  
Motion Passed

The meeting was reconvened from executive session at 8:15 pm with the following action being taken from the executive session.

Hiner made the motion to promote Trevor O'Rourke from Detective to Sergeant and Officer Reynolds to Detective  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

Hiner made the motion to settle the litigation with Ohio Edison in the amount of \$1,500.00 regarding the Pritchard Ave bridge project.  
Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

Mayor Wilson said this should clear the way for the project to go to bid.

With nothing further to come before the council, Mayor Wilson adjourned June 9, 2026, council meeting at 8:20 pm.

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Mayor Peter Wilson

**ATTEST:**

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Tracey Wonner, Fiscal Officer