

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
September 23, 2025**

PRESIDING: Mayor Wilson

PRESENT: Darcy, Cox, Temple, Donnalley, Hiner, Smith
ABSENT:

The regular meeting on September 23, 2025, was called to order at 6:30 with Mayor Wilson presiding.

Pastor Bob Garwood opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The mayor thanked the police, fire, street, and water departments for all of their help during the Appleseed. Saying the festival is a good thing for the community.

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Donnalley made the motion to approve the minutes of the 9/9/25 regular meeting with stated correction.
Darcy 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Darcy made the motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$95,267.61 and to approve payroll for PPE 9/13/25 in the amount of \$80,811.62
Temple 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

GUEST (S):

Jeff DeCort was present asking what the rules on political signs in the village, are they permitted in the curb lawn? Chief Abraham stated they are not and those signs in the curb lawn have been taken care of and should be taken out of the curb lawn in the morning.

OLD BUSINESS:

RE: 3RD READING ORDINANCE NO. 2234-2025 – SKATEBOARD ORDINANCE

Hiner made the motion to approve the third reading of Ordinance No. 2234-2025, an ordinance to amend the current ordinance
Darcy 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

RE: ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AND REVIEW BOARD VACANT SEAT APPOINTMENT

Mayor Wilson provided prior to the meeting a copy of the Lisbon Area Chamber of Commerce meeting minutes indicating that they support the appointment of Barbara DeCort to the vacant seat on the Architectural Design and Review Board. Mrs. DeCort is currently a member of the appeals board for the AHRB, she will need to resign from that position.

Donnalley made the motion to approve the appointment of Barbara DeCort to the vacant seat on the Architectural Design and Review Board
Temple 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

RE: SCOPE OF WORK SWIMMING POOL REPAIRS

Mayor Wilson reported that he, Chris Peterson, and Jim Oliver are currently working on a scope of project for the pool. He was given templates to help in the writing. The filtration system is estimated to cost between \$85,000.00 and \$115,000.00. The mayor

feels that the work on the East wall could be completed in house to cut on cost. Joe Morenz, from the audience, questioned if the same thing that was done before with the caulking could be done instead of repairing or replacing the entire wall, if the wall does not have a crack in it. This worked before and if done the same he feels this could work again. The competitive bid process will be evaluated when all pricing is complete, it is possible to have two separate projects.

RE: WESTERN RESERVE CONSERVANCY PROPOSAL

Mayor Wilson indicated he has spoken with Solicitor Beech, who has sent some sample resolutions regarding the approval to entertain bids to sell the rock area of the property. Council President Hiner said that she had looked back to the 2018 minutes when this discussion had started where Western Reserve representatives mentioned between \$1,000.00 and \$2,000.00 per acre with the price being \$38,000.00. It also mentioned either a \$10,000.00 fee or 10% fee and the funds could take up to 18 months to be received. The time is what she would like the rest of council to be aware of; this money could not be used for pool repairs in 2026 if not received during the upcoming year.

Donnalley made the motion to entertain bids to sell the property.

Temple 2nd

Temple, aye; Darcy, aye; Cox, no; Donnalley, aye;

Hiner, no; Smith, aye

Motion Passed

RE: PUBLIC HEARING BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS AND PLANNING COMMISSION

The public hearing for the proposed zoning rewrite for the Board of Zoning Appeals and the Planning Commission is scheduled for September 24th at 6:00 pm.

RE: WILLOW GROVE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

Council President Hiner mentioned her concerns about funding for the Willow Grove Project, saying she is not against the bridge it is something that was important to the park before the flood. She is concerned about the funding of this project. The current cost estimate was completed in 2024 for a total cost of \$930,140.00, the RTPD grant is \$465,000.00, leaving an additional \$465,140.00 needed in funding. Her concern is the possible cost increase when a current cost estimate is completed. She wants council to take this funding along with other projects including Pritchard Ave bridge replacement. could fall in the same time as when the proposed property tax cuts are happening. The mayor reminded everyone that when Grant St bridge replacement cost estimate started it was 1.48 million and ended up being 3.6 million, but thanks to Tracey, the County Commissioners and Bert Dawson nearly all of the construction cost was covered. He said if this goes through and money is available; he will work hard on getting this fully funded also.

NEW BUSINESS

RE: LIQUOR LICENSE – LISBON CONVENIENCE LLC 126 W LINCOLN WAY

Council received in their packets a liquor license application for Lisbon Convenience LLC, this application is the next step since the Trex application has already been approved. Ms. Wonner stated that since this is a new license application she is requesting councils approval on the application or asking for a hearing either in our county or at the state. The mayor said he would prefer to have a hearing, council agreed because of the location and its proximity to Day Care it is a good idea to have the hearing. Council did not indicate they were opposed to the application, they only questions they wanted answered.

Donnalley made the motion to request a hearing in the county for the liquor license request by Lisbon Convenience LLC

Temple 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: RESOLUTION NO. 2237-2025 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR OPWC APPLICATION N MKT SEWER LINE/INDUSTRIAL LIFT STATION

Hiner made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2237-2025, a resolution authorizing the Village to prepare and apply to participate in the Ohio Public works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement programs and to execute contracts as required.

Temple 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: BROTHERS MECHANICAL QUOTE 2012 CHEVY VIN #5983 PLOW HARNESS

Hiner made the motion to approve a harness with wiring and tail light including labor for the 2012 Chevy 3500 as submitted at a cost of \$1,245.96

Cox 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: HILLTOP LAWN AND GARDEN – KUBOTA ZD221

Donnalley made the motion to approve a controller and brake switch for the Kubota mower including labor as submitted at a cost of \$585.87

Temple 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: MUNICIPAL SIGNS QUOTE VARIOUS SIGNS

A quote for various signs was included in the council packet. The mayor stated that after attending a bicycling conference in Youngstown today he would like to add bicycle signs for the intersection at Maple and Lincoln Ave, Chief Abraham said he needs signs also.

Temple made the motion to approve the quote by Municipal Signs as submitted with the additional signs at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00

Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: MYERS EQUIPMENT QUOTE CUTTING EDGES VPLOW ON 2012 CHEVY VIN #5983

Cox made the motion to approve a quote from Myers Equipment for wings cutting edges and a bolt kit for the 2012 Chevy 3500 as submitted at a cost of \$2,852.83

Darcy 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: BARNES TREE SERVICE QUOTE – CEDAR ST PARK

A quote to remove a tree and take the stump out along the 3rd base line for \$1,200.00, a tree near the tennis court including stump removal at a cost of \$1,000.00 or if just the stump for this tree would be \$250.00. After some discussion, the tree near the tennis court can be taken down in house so only the stump will need to be cut. Council man Cox on this questioned the area on Lincoln Ave near Washington St where a tree and stump were removed, why it looks so bad. The curb lawn is a lot higher than the sidewalk; this needs to be looked at. The mayor said he would go look at the curb lawn.

Temple made the motion to approve the Barnes Tree Service quote with the changes noted above at a cost of \$1,450.00

Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: COLUMBIANA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION OFFICE

Mayor Wilson reported that the CCSWC has told him there is a grant available for creek bed and bank restoration, and they would like to look at Willow Grove for this grant. Their office will be administering and completing the project per the Mayor, there would be no cost to the Village. A representative will be at the park tomorrow morning at 9:00 am, he is sorry about the short notice realizing that they may not be able to meet him there with the CCSWC.

RE: VACANT BUILDING ORDINANCE

Mayor Wilson mentioned a concern of his, where a building owner in town who had been complying with the current ordinance is no longer since they have shut off the current phone number on the sign in the building that has been for sale for 3-4 years. He would like something done about there being no working phone number. Council President Hiner stated that when she asked the zoning inspector about this a few months ago she was told that he was not enforcing the ordinance since council had said

they wanted to make changes. The building the mayor is talking about is not the only vacant building in the downtown area that is not in compliance with the current ordinance. She does not feel it is right to single out just one building owner, either do it for all do not do any. All of council agreed.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

The following financial statements were distributed to the council during the meeting: the most current month end fund summary All vouchers were presented to the council prior to the meeting for signatures. Ms. Wonner reported the broker for the village contacted her regarding an early renewal for the 2026 Anthem health insurance with an increase of 5%. The village was offered an early renewal in 2025 also with an increase of 2%, per our representative it is not often an entity is offered these two years in a row. The broker went back asking for a 3% increase Anthem settled on a 4% increase if approved and signed by the village. Council President Hiner when asked by the mayor reported East Palestine had a double digit increase last year.

Hiner made the motion to approve the early renewal for 2026 Anthem insurance at 4%

Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

PARKS REPORT

Mayor Wilson reported that Joe Morenz is the new project director for the Lions Club pavilion.

BPA REPORT

Bill Hoover, BPA chairperson reported that Logan Hall has passed his CDL permit test and will be starting class on Thursday. The class will be at the village using the VacCon truck. The booster station parking lot for the NE Pressure project has been paved, the test date for the new tower and lines has been changed to Oct 7th. The switch is estimated to begin on Nov 20th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION EMPLOYMENT OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE

Mayor Wilson asked for an executive session for the employment of a public employee.

Temple made the motion to go into executive session for the employment of a public employee.

Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes with a roll call vote

Motion Passed

Mayor Wilson told Tracey and Alec to come with them.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm.

Hiner made the motion to reconvene the regular meeting from executive session at 7:27 pm

Temple 2nd

All Ayes with a roll call vote

Motion Passed

There was no action taken from the executive session.

With nothing further to come before the council, Mayor Wilson adjourned September 23, 2025, meeting at 7:28 pm

Mayor Peter Wilson

ATTEST:

Tracey Wonner, Fiscal Officer