**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**
**OCTOBER 13, 2026**

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Wilson

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

The regular meeting on October 13, 2026 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.

**MINUTES REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 22, 2026**

Donnalley made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting 9/22/26, with a correction to the spelling of repaving.
Temple — All Ayes
Motion Passed

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Hiner made the motion to approve the bills in the amount of $34,270.92
Temple 2nd — All Ayes
Motion Passed

Hiner made the motion to approve payroll for PPE 9/26/26 in the amount of $70,304.93
Donnalley 2nd — All Ayes
Motion Passed

**GUEST (S):**

The Keller family was present to request approval to perform their annual Christmas play prior to the Christmas parade on December 5th. The play will take place at 4:00 pm. Council had no issue with the request.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RE: BONDING REQUEST RACE RD/CALDWELL AVE – SEMI TRUCK PARKING**

Solicitor Beech explained the application is the result of a resident who owns property at the corner of Caldwell Ave and Race Rd, he would like approval to drive his semi on roads where the truck is over the weight limit so he can park on his property. If council has no issues a resolution will be prepared for the next meeting.

Hiner made the motion to approve the applications as presented and have Solicitor Beech prepare a resolution.
Donnalley 2nd — All Ayes
Motion Passed

**RE: W. WASHINGTON ST/MAPLE ST CATCH BASIN DRAWING/ESTIMATE**

Council was presented a cost estimate of material only and a drawing for proposed drainage on W Washington and Maple St, material cost estimated is $91,942.00. The village is eligible for Issue II monies in 2028 with application in 2027, this project will be considered for application. The deadline for application is not known at this time.

**RE: OIL AND GAS LEASE MAP OF PARCELS AND LAND PROFESSIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

The oil and gas leases were tabled until a future meeting and the solicitor was asked to review the paperwork.

**RE: PURCHASE OF SNOW PLOW**

A new Myers plow for the 2012 Chevy 3500 VIN ending 5983 costing $10,350.00 for the entire package both inside and out installation was discussed. This plow would be a back up plow, Street Supervisor Oliver said the truck had not been used to plow since 2024. Taking this into consideration and appropriation availability in the street fund it was decided to reevaluate the purchase in 2027.

**RE: SR 164 REPAVING UPDATE**

The paving was completed, Shelley and Sands had hit a main water line cover causing a break, with an employee of the water department being on site during the project the department was able to begin work quickly. The company is continuing work on the ADA sidewalk crossing and manholes.

**RE: SWIMMING POOL UPDATE**

Council man Cox reported he has spoken to RenoSys from Indianapolis IN, they specialize in commercial PVC pool membrane. The company is a single seller provider in the United States, meaning that if a third party contractor were to do work from someone with this material they would have to purchase off of RenoSys. Mr. Cox explained the process and shared the packet of information he was given, stating he feels this is something that could work for the village pool. This could be considered a repair and not a rebuild of the pool, changing how the project is completed. Solicitor Beech will review the requirements for a repair and single seller scenario. Mr. Cox also reported the company is already doing bookings for spring of 2027.

Council woman Donnalley asked if there was any update on the skate park request. Mayor Wilson said the group was fundraising and working on the articles of incorporation for the Skatepark Association. Council President Hiner said she had spoken with Jennifer Branch in person, who had given her some clarification on what the request is. Ms. Hiner thought the project was full size skate park with permanent ramps; this is not the case the group is requesting a spot to have a concrete pad where portable ramps/rails could be set up for use. Ms. Hiner reiterated at this time there was no lease or memorandum of understanding between the village or the group, the only information submitted was sample MOU from the City of Canton. In her opinion the village's priorities should be the swimming pool and pickleball courts than the location for the cement pad request. Council woman Donnalley said she feels the group deserves some direction from the village adding if there is no village funds involved, she sees no issue. Mayor Wilson said the group prefers the S Jefferson St location and will invite the group to a future meeting.

**RE: ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE**

Toole Design was in town to study the arrival and dismissal at each school at the end of September, they are finalizing their review plans. During the last meeting they noted some areas around the schools that could benefit for the plan. The written recommendation request on the mapping ends tomorrow with Mayor Wilson asking anyone who has not to please comment on the map. Toole Design has requested council to decide on one of two projects to begin to move forward on the ATP. Either a sidewalk on E High St for walking to the school, according to the Mayor there would be no match on this project or calming traffic on Beaver St, this project would require a match of some sort. Council woman Donnalley asked if they were still pushing the round about at N Beaver and N Market intersection, Mayor Wilson said they are not.

**RE: SUICIDE PREVENTION SIGN UPDATE**

Mayor Wilson reported that the County Commissioners had told Mental Health Awareness the squares are owned by the county, but the village maintains them. If the Village has no issues with a permanent suicide prevention sign in the square, they do not either. Signs will be placed in the square, Cedar St Park and Willow Grove Park.

**RE: WILLOW GROVE BRIDGE UPDATE**

Mayor Wilson reported that ODOT has begun advertising for engineering firms the deadline to submit is October 28th. After this a committee will grade the submitted applicants with a recommendation being given to council for approval. Contracts are scheduled to be signed in January 2029; construction begins in February 2029 and will be completed in May 2029. Mayor Wilson reported the state has given the village one more extension on the state capital expenditure funding of 18 months that will end in mid-2028.

**RE: PRITCHARD AVE/LINCOLN WAY SCHOOL CROSSING UPDATE**

Mayor Wilson reported with some additional police presence that the area of the school crossing has gotten a little better, asking Traci Dixon who was present if she agreed. Mrs. Dixon said it had gotten a little better but could be even better, saying she even stood at the 20 mph sign in a red jacket pointing to the sign and no one took notice. Superintendent Siefke, according to Mayor Wilson said the school will occasionally have a cross guard at the crossings.

**RE: URBAN FORESTRY UPDATE**

Mayor Wilson reported that ODNR had been to the village last week, the dead wooding and tree removal portion of the grant will begin soon. The allocated amount is $12,000.00, which has to be done as one entire project not separated into individual trees. The committee has taken an inventory of affected trees and stump removal is not permitted in the grant.

**RE: TORNADO WARNING SIREN UPDATE**

Mayor Wilson reported he spoke to Peggy Clark at the County EMA and there are grants available for warning sirens, when he has more information, he will bring that to council. The grant process opens in 2027. He also said the company he spoke with said the current siren at the fire station could be converted to WIFI at a minimal cost.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RE: 1ST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2274-2026 – 2027 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Fiscal Officer Wonner reported that the only funds that have changes from the 2026 appropriations are Cemetery Building and Maintenance, Street permissive, Police & Disability Pension, Fire levy, John Clark, Capital Improvement, Capital Improvement Willow Grove, Water operating, Sewer operating, Sewer Extension and replacement, Parking, Sewer New Equipment and Sewer Improvement Debt. The changes came from either an estimated lower revenue or funds that have been encumbered already for future projects. Ms. Wonner also mentioned that at this point there are no plans to make any changes on the appropriations until 2027 when carry over balances may necessitate changes. After the third and final reading the ordinance will be sent to the county for approval then the village will be ready to operate on permanent appropriations instead of temporary.

Hiner made the motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2274-2026 the 2027 Annual appropriations.
Donnalley 2nd All Ayes
Motion Passed

**RE: NEW LIQUOR PERMIT REQUEST FOR HEARING OR NOT – BIG WOOS LLC**

The village received a notice to legislative authority from the Division of Liquor Control for Big Woos LLC who has applied for a D-2, D-3 and D-1 liquor license requesting if the village wishes to have a hearing on this request. Council President Hiner said the village would have the hearing only if there was reason to object to this application, the

approval is the responsibility of the state. Council man Cox stated that he heard these license were held by a church and the church is involved in the process, this would all be done through the state with the village having no part.

Hiner made the motion to not request a hearing on the submitted application.
Donnalley 2nd — All Ayes
Motion Passed

Fiscal Officer will return the required paperwork to the Division of Liquor Control.

**RE: DERA GRANT**

Mayor Wilson reported he had been contacted by the Columbiana County Port Authority regarding a Diesel emission reduction act grant. This grant is a 50% match, during the BPA meeting earlier he had asked if they would be interested in applying for a joint grant with the street department to share a piece of equipment including cost. They were not opposed. Council asked for more information on the equipment and cost prior to applying for the grant. Mayor Wilson will bring this to a future meeting.

**RE: HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREAT**

Trick or Treat will again be October 31st 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

**RE: DECEMBER MEETING DATE**

Council will have a single meeting in December on the 8th at the normal 6:30 time.

**RE: REQUEST TO DECORATE THE GAZEBO**

Amy Faulk requested approval to decorate the Gazebo for fall. Council President Hiner said she has seen a picture of what she would like to do and did not see any reason to not have it decorated with Council woman Donnalley agreeing. Council agreed as long as it is tasteful and taken down before the Christmas parade it is a good idea.

Donnalley made the motion to approve the request to decorate the Gazebo with the decorations being taken down prior to the Christmas parade
Temple 2nd — All Ayes
Motion Passed

**FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

The following financial statements were distributed to council during the meeting: the most current month end fund summary and 3rd quarter revenue and appropriation status reports. 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. The lights at the Cedar St Park pavilion have been repaired.

**PARKS REPORT**

A parks committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday October 20th 5:30 pm to finalize the purchase of equipment with the $50,000.00 grant from the County Commissioners. Council man Cox asked when the winterization would be completed on the splash pad. Sr Plant Operator asked if the fire hose could be removed, it could be at this point. A work order has been scheduled for tomorrow, however the department will be repairing a leak, so the winterization will take place on Monday of next week.

**BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS REPORT**

BPA Chair Bill Hoover reported the N Market Sewer line replacement project is scheduled to start in November. The company doing the paving as mentioned earlier had hit a main line at the corner of Pine St and N Market, this has been repaired and the boil order had been lifted. A lead service line on W Lincoln Way was repaired with Sweet Meadow doing boring work under the road. The hydrant flushing has been completed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – CONERENCE WITH VILLAGE SOLICITOR CONCERNING DISPUTE INVOLVING THE VILLAGE THAT IS SUBJEST TO PENDING OR IMMINENT COURT ACTION**

Hiner made the motion to go into executive session for a conference with the Village Solicitor concerning a dispute involving the Village that is subject to pending or imminent court action inviting Solicitor Beech, Lt. Neil Clark, and Fiscal Officer Wonner into the executive session

Donnalley 2nd — All Ayes with a roll call vote
Motion Passed

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm

Hiner made the motion to reconvene from executive session at 7:56 pm

Temple 2nd — All Ayes with a roll call vote
Motion Passed

Council President Hiner reported there was no action taken from the executive session

With nothing further to come before the council, Mayor Wilson adjourned October 13, 2026, council meeting at 7:57 pm.

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Mayor Peter Wilson

**ATTEST:**

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Tracey Wonner, Fiscal Officer