

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
July 22, 2025

PRESIDING: Mayor Wilson

PRESENT: Temple, Darcy, Donnalley, Hiner, Smith

ABSENT: Cox

The regular meeting on July 22, 2025, was called to order at 6:30 with Mayor Wilson presiding.

Rev. Donna Shuman opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING JULY 8, 2025

Darcy made the motion to approve the minutes of the 7/8/25 regular meeting
Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Darcy made the motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$16,747.71
Hiner 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

Darcy made the motion to approve payroll for PPE 7/5/25 in the amount of \$83,082.56
Temple 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

GUEST (S):

Mike Wilson was present to discuss that he does not have access to a portion of the back of the property without having permission from the adjacent property owner who is being uncooperative. He has questioned both Zoning Inspector Barkley and Village Solicitor Beech, both telling him there is nothing they can do for him about the property owner in question not allowing him access to their private property. He wants council to consider putting language in the zoning code rewrite that requires property owners of landlocked property to allow the other property owners access.

Jeff DeCourt was present again to ask council to seriously consider redoing the Pickleball courts. He spoke on the same topics as prior meetings from asphalt condition, a backstop and acrylic top coat.

OLD BUSINESS:

RE: WESTERN RESERVE CONSERVANCY

Jacob from Western Reserve Conservancy provided to the Mayor, who sent to council two different maps outlining what Western Reserve Conservancy and the Park District are interested in acquiring. If the Village voted to sell the property they are only interested in purchasing the cliff face area and not Willow Grove Park, if the Village went in the direction of a conservation easement, they would like all the property. The entire area is approximately 60 acres without Willow Grove it is about 41 acres. Council President Hiner questioned why if the village decided to sell all the property would they not bid on the entire package; their answer is that the Parks District is not interested in Willow Grove purchase because they do not want to have to maintain the infrastructure already in place in the park. Village Solicitor Beech and Hiner both agreed the property would need to be appraised and surveyed prior to either option. Ms. Hiner also asked about the difference in price between sold and an easement, when the Park District bought the property near the cliff faces, they paid \$12,000.00 per acre and an easement is about \$1,000.00 per acre. Mayor Wilson feels selling the property to Western Reserve is a win - win for the village in the fact the village would no longer have the liability of owning the property but benefit from the tourist using the property. He also feels the money from the sale of the property could be used for other projects in the village. Ms. Hiner said there would be no guarantee the property would be sold to Western Reserve during the bid process if they were not the high bidder, the mayor said the village could put a refusal to sell clause in the bid language.

RE: SINGLE TRASH HAULER

Mark Wells, Village Administrator of Carrollton, thanked the Mayor for inviting him to this meeting also telling those in attendance he is not endorsing any single company for trash or that this would work in the Village of Lisbon. He is only here to say what works and how it works in Carrollton. The village has had this in place since around 1990 for both residential and commercial business. The contract the village has includes trash being picked up weekly and recycled every other week. The price is negotiated along with the stipend the village receives in the contract, the current price for one can is \$20.04, the Senior Citizen rate is \$18.04. Mr. Wells said all trash except for rollofs are included in the contract, a resident and business must comply unless they haul their own trash. However, if they want a Rolloff they can go with any company. The trash is picked up every Thursday starting 6:00 am and done by 7:00 pm, so trash cans are only on the streets one day a week, their company is required to use smaller trucks on streets that do not have curb lawns. Mr. Wells feels the positives outweigh the negatives by far, citing the only negatives he can speak of are the village cannot control the consumer price index on price increases, but the village has in the past given up some of their stipend to off set the resident cost. The other negative is that complaints will come to village hall about the service instead of the company. Council woman Donnalley asked if there were many complaints, to which he said there are not but there are still some who complain the village should not tell them who picks up their garbage, but most who have moved their realize this is good and is part of living in the village. Mayor Wilson is in favor of a single trash hauler saying his current rate is higher than the rate for a senior citizen in Carrollton, Council President Hiner disagreed saying her rate is lower than the rate. Council woman Temple likes the idea of trash cans and trucks only one day a week in the village. Jeff DeCourt spoke in favor of having only one hauler saying it would be nice to have only one truck on his street weekly. Mark Hall and Mike Smith both spoke out against the idea citing cost and fact government should not be telling you who you can use to haul your garbage. Council has enough on their plate and to take on trash just does not make sense. Both agreed residents should have an option unless the village wants to pay for trash pickup.

RE: 2nd READING ORDINANCE NO. 2231-2025 – ZONING CODE REVISION AUTHORIZATION

Hiner made the motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2231-2025 an ordinance authorizing the zoning code
Temple 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

RE: DRAINAGE AROUND PICKLEBALL COURT/PAVILION AREA

Street Supervisor Oliver explained the drainage would include a drain in the concrete of the new proposed pavilion being donated by the Lions Club that would tie into an existing pipe going under the walking trail. This would alleviate the water draining onto the pickle ball court, Jeff DeCourt questioned if the spouting on the pavilion would be tied into this drainage, when the question of if the pavilion had spouting or not could not be answered, Council President Hiner said she this is a good project however there are too many unanswered questions on the pavilion and exact location to spend this much money on a project that may not be enough. Council agreed that the contractor and a representative of the Lions Club need to attend a meeting with a detailed drawing of the pavilion plans so the drainage project can be what is needed. The approval was tabled until a future meeting.

RE: PAVING OF SQUARES

The Mayor reported the paving will begin August 11th with the Gazebo square being the first to be paved.

RE: PRITCHARD BRIDGE UPDATE

The Mayor reported he had solicited bids as requested by ODOT regarding the right of way acquisitions needed for Pritchard Ave bridge, ODOT estimated this cost to be \$27,000.00. He received three bids with MS Consultants being the low bid at \$20,160.00, council has already approved this engineering at a previous meeting.

RE: CHANGE IN GRASS LETTERS BEING SENT

The Mayor reported that his secretary has sent letters for tall grass, he already sees an issue with the change in the process. The letter does not consider the amount of time it takes for a letter to be received, the ordinance says it allows for 5 days, and the mail takes longer. He believes it should go back to the police department delivering the letters by hand. Council President Hiner disagreed saying the time limit for the mowing can be adjusted and most places the village would have to mow should be vacant, the street department should not mow a property where someone is living for liability purposes. She does not see an issue with the change.

NEW BUSINESS

RE: ORDINANCE. NO. 2232-2025 – AMENDED 2025 APPROPRIATIONS DRUG TASK FORCE AS AN EMERGENCY

Hiner made the motion to suspend the rules and regulations for passing an ordinance.

Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes with roll call vote

Motion Passed

Hiner made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2232-2025, amended 2025 appropriations as an emergency

Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes with roll call vote

Motion Passed

RE: RESIGNATION OF FULL TIME OFFICER MATTHEW GREENLIEF

Hiner made the motion to accept the resignation of full time officer Matthew Greenlieff

Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: HIRING OF PART TIME POLICE OFFICERS

Chief Abraham presented 3 applications for part time police officers, reporting currently there is one full time position open and with the upcoming retirement of Lt. Daub there will be a second. Mayor Wilson questioned how Dylan Berkheimer and Matthew DeNiro had either friends or relatives who work in the department. Chief Abraham said that Sgt Reynolds is an instructor at the academy they attended.

Hiner made the motion to hire Dylan Berkheimer, Matthew DeNiro, and Daniel Haught as part time officers.

Darcy 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: REVISION TO CHAPTER 377.01 AND 377.02 SKATEBOARDING ORDINANCE

Council was presented in their packets proposed revisions to chapter 377.01 and 377.02 of the codified ordinances pertaining to skateboarding in the village. Council President Hiner said she spoke with both Solicitor Beech and Chief Abraham regarding this issue after seeing a post on social media. The current ordinance was written in 1990 in response to skateboarding issues in the village. This rewrite draft written by Solicitor Beech brings the ordinance in line with current Ohio Revised Code language, if approved Ms. Hiner would like to repeal the current ordinance and rewrite it with the new language.

Donnalley made the motion to move forward with an ordinance to repeal and rewrite the current skateboarding ordinance to be prepared by Solicitor Beech

Hiner 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

RE: FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING

Council agreed earlier in the meeting to change this from a finance and personnel committee meeting to a committee of the whole meeting for discussion to also include the cliff and Willow Grove property and single trash hauler on August 14th at 5:00 pm.

RE: REQUEST FROM VFW NINE BALL POOL TEAM

The mayor reported he received a request from the VFW about sponsoring the nine ball pool tournament team going to Las Vegas. Council agreed this is something they do not feel is appropriate to do.

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.

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

PARKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

Sr Plant Operator and the Certified Pool Operator for the village reported the water department had repaired the flow valve the previous Friday, when this was repaired there was a leak further down the pipe the department repaired. However, on Saturday morning there was a bigger leak found in the same area near the pump where it was welded last year. Mr. Peterson stated the tank for the filter system needs repair and replacement; the pump should also be lifted and moved to a different location. He believes the vibration of the pump is attributed to the leaks. He is hoping these repairs last until the end of the season, the pool is currently being filled from water loss and should be able to reopen at some point tomorrow. When questioned on the price for these repairs, he said it could be between \$30,000.00 and \$50,000.00 but not positive.

BPA REPORT

Chair Bill Hoover reported that the remote for VacCon had been misplaced by someone. A new remote was ordered at a cost of \$1,784.00. The machine is down until the remote is found since it needs to be operated, the new remote will have an air tag placed on it for location purposes. The line for the Johnny Appleseed is being worked on, the line was actually a 10 inch line when thought to be a 4 inch line additional parts had to be ordered and with the work at the pool the project has been delayed. The department is planning to complete the tap on Monday July 28th.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Mayor reported the Chamber Christmas in July is scheduled for this upcoming Saturday with a concert in the square to follow, activities start at 10:00 am.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – EMPLOYMENT OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE

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

Darcy 2nd

All Ayes with roll call vote

Motion Passed

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Hiner made the motion to reconvene the regular meeting from executive session at 8:09 pm.

Temple 2nd

All Ayes with roll call vote

Motion Passed

Hiner reported there was no action taken from the executive session.

With nothing further to come before the council, Mayor Wilson adjourned the July 22, 2025, meeting at 8:09 pm

Mayor Peter Wilson

ATTEST:

Tracey Wonner, Fiscal Officer