

JULY 21, 2026

At 6:00 pm., the meeting of the council was called to order by Mayor Douglas Plyler, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members answered roll call: ALYSSA MILLER, ALLISON MILLER, ZACH TROYER, TOM RICHTER, LISA LASH.

Motion to accept minutes of the previous meeting by Zach Troyer, 2nd by Alyssa Miller; roll call vote: four (4) ayes.

Motion to pay bills totaling \$88,476.03 by Lisa Lash, 2nd by Allison Miller; roll call vote by four (4) ayes.

Motion to accept financial report by Lisa Lash and 2nd by Allison Miller; roll call vote by four (4) ayes.

Motion to accept PNC bills totaling \$799.14 for June & \$3,464.68 for May by Zach Troyer and 2nd by Alyssa Miller; roll call vote by four (4) ayes.

VISITORS:

N/A

FIRE:

GovDeals Sale: Chief Stein reported that the department listed 45 lots on GovDeals and sold all 45, generating a total of \$3,800. He requested that the proceeds be used toward turnout gear.

LUCAS Reserve Price: Chief Stein also asked about lowering the reserve price for the LUCAS device from \$15,000 to \$12,000. The device is approximately two years old and was previously used as a floor model.

Motion to lower the LUCAS to \$12,000 on GovDeals by Zach Troyer and 2nd by Allison Miller; Roll call vote by four (4) ayes.

Hose Testing: Hose testing with FireCatt is scheduled for August 22 at 8:00 a.m. at the Genie building.

EMS Grant and AEDs: Mim and Gary received an \$8,000 EMS grant, which was used to purchase eight new AEDs. As a result, every truck will now be equipped with an AED.

Potential Future Fire Department Site: Tom Richter spoke with a representative at Gerber's about possible future plans for the old Gerber's building. The representative indicated that Gerber's may be willing to work with the Village regarding the building as a potential future site for the fire department.

On July 6, 2026, the department sent a Notice of Show-up Policy letter to member Alex Yoder.

COMMUNITY INTEREST/PARKS/MAINTENANCE:

Completed Park Work: Allison reported that all light poles at the park have been painted.

Maintenance Needs: The stage railing needs to be treated. In the pavilion, the post needs to be removed and the outlet relocated.

Dugout Floor: The dugout floor may be repaired at any time.

Pavilion Sink: Keith replaced the faucet in the center sink at the pavilion.

Softball Field Needs: New bases will be needed next year, and the yellow pipe will need to be replaced before next spring.

Park Rental Agreement: The park rental agreement letter needs to state that prior authorization is required before tents may be set up during an event rental.

Motion to add a role for rental contract for tents and time frame it needs to be taken down by Tom Richter and 2nd by Zach Troyer: Roll call vote by five (5) ayes.

Restroom Supplies Reimbursement: Daryl purchased cleaning supplies for the new park restrooms and requested reimbursement.

Motion to reimburse Daryl Miller \$94.82 for restroom supplies by Tom Richter and 2nd by Allison Miller; Roll call vote by five (5) ayes.

Park Pavilion Keyless Entry: Alyssa asked about installing keyless entry on the double doors at the park pavilion to avoid handing out keys for each rental. Quotes will be obtained for review at the next meeting.

STREET/EQUIPMENT:

Ray/93 and Main Street Construction: Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2027. Portions of Main Street will be excavated and rebuilt with a new base.

Speed Limit Signs: The State requires a letter from Attorney Doug stating that the Village wants the signs installed in accordance with ORC specifications. Because the outgoing speed limit is 35 mph, the State can only place the signs on the opposite side of the road, where the existing 35 mph sign is located. A letter is needed to request placement of a sign on that side of the road.

Pavement Roller: Keith can build a pavement roller for approximately \$1,600.

Motion to allow Keith to build a pavement roller for approximately \$1,600 by Allison Miller and 2nd by Lisa Lash; roll call vote by four (4) ayes.

Gause Drive Repair: Gause Drive is beginning to sink, though the cause is not yet known. A section approximately 4 feet by 70 feet will need to be removed and replaced.

Gessner Sealrite Quote: Gessner Sealrite submitted a quote to cut and excavate an area

approximately 4 feet by 67 feet and 1½ to 2 feet deep. The work includes backfilling the area with 304 gravel mix and paving it with 4 inches of asphalt. The quoted cost is \$3,562.

Motion to approve Gessner's Sealrite to do the work at Gause Drive in the amount of \$ 3,562.00 by Zach Troyer and 2nd by Lisa Lash: Roll call vote by four (4) ayes.

Concrete Replacement: The concrete at Marlin Beachy's property needs to be replaced where it was removed for pipe installation.

Road Salt Donation: T-Bones donated an additional 4 tons of road salt.

Clark Township Mowing: Clark Township completed mowing at several locations, including Brick Yard Road on both sides; Dunker; 175; Buena Vista bank; creek bank; helipad and 207; culverts at the parking area on 93; 93 North from Dunker; Maple Street to the top of the hill on both sides; Orchard Drive; South Cherry by Toland's; Mill Street; the bank by Waltmans; and S. Butler by the cemetery.

Flail Mower Purchase: Keith asked about purchasing a flail mower from Ackerman's Equipment & Rental for \$7,000, or a used mower for \$4,500. Purchasing a mower would allow Keith to mow monthly instead of once per year.

Motion to approve to buy a used flail mower from Ackerman's for \$4,500 by Allison Miller and 2nd by Zach Troyer; Roll call vote by five (5) ayes.

FINANCE:

Joint EMS Billing Meeting: A joint meeting will be held to review EMS billing and discuss calls being turned over to Sugarcreek EMS. The meeting is scheduled for August 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the office and will be posted to the public.

LANDS, BUILDINGS, DEVELOPMENT/ CEMETERY:

Nothing.

TREE COMMISSION:

Nothing.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Role: Daryl stated that, as the new zoning inspector, he wants to serve as a positive representative for the Village rather than be viewed as an adversary.

Trailer and Equipment Removal: Ray Miller sold his junk trailer and equipment to someone in Haiti. Kevin Jones of Happy Valley Trucking has contacted Village Hall and reported that he is coordinating the loading and transport of the items to New Jersey, where they will be shipped to Haiti.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Notice Letters: Mowing notices were sent out, along with notices regarding several junk vehicles.

SAFETY & WELFARE:

Flashing Speed Limit Sign: The new flashing speed limit sign has been shipped and received.

Account Setup: The account will be set up by the Assistant Police Chief of Sugarcreek. Four people will have access to the account: Dalton, who will serve as the administrator; the mayor; the Fiscal Officer; and the Chair of Safety & Welfare.

Placement and Mounting: The sign will be used at four locations over time and mounted on a treated 4x4 post.

Motion to approve Dalton, Mayor, Fiscal Officer, and Chair of Safety & Welfare to the account for the flashing speed limit sign by Lisa Lash and 2nd by Allison Miller: Roll call vote by five (5) ayes.

Mayor:

Planning Commission Update: The mayor attended a mayor's meeting, where the importance of forming a committee for the newly created planning commission was emphasized. The commission received a matching grant and must now hire a planning consultant.

Committee Structure: Council will serve as the committee, with three additional members representing different subcommittees.

Meeting Schedule: Approximately two additional meetings are expected for the remainder of the year.

Village Growth Project: The Mayor identified the fire station as the Village's growth project.

Motion to Adjourn by Tom Richter, 2nd by Alyssa Miller. Roll call vote by five (5) ayes.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer