

ZOAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

July 8, 2025

The Zoar Village Regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Klingaman at 6:03 pm.

Roll Call:

David Gannon	Present	Mark Gaynor	Present
Jill Harshey	Present	Jeff Eadie	Absent
Kim Klingaman	Present	David Irwin	Present

A motion to approve the 06/10/2025 Regular Meeting minutes was made by Jill Harshey and seconded by Mark Gaynor. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Irwin-yes.

The following bills were presented for signature to be paid in July 2025:

ZOAR VILLAGE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE Expenditures submitted for payment July 2025

1	AEP	445.00	Street Lighting
2	AEP	346.62	Community Center
3	Tom Klingaman	150.00	Salary July
4	Emily Hayes	500.00	Salary July
5	OPERS	120.00	OPERS July
6	Columbia Gas	61.04	Community Center
7	Tusc Cty Wtr Swr	57.23	Community Center June
8	Huntington Bank CC	20.00	Marathon: Fuel for Village Truck
9	ZCA	48.55	1/2 cost of dumpster for June 2025
10	Eddys Convenient Lawncare LLC	950.00	Grass Cutting for June 2025
11	Treasurer of Tuscarawas Co.	4.00	Property Tax Assessment
12	Harold Raines	125.00	Cremation Grave Opening
13	Village of Bolivar	990.00	Police Protection 4/27/25-6/21/25= 24.75 hrs.
14	Treasurer of State of Ohio- OH bus gtw	9.51	2nd QTR State Taxes
		3,826.95	

Motion to acknowledge receipt of financial statements and pay the monthly bills for July was made by Kim Klingaman and seconded by David Gannon. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Irwin-yes.

Public Speaks:

Eric Minor, Bolivar Police Officer, was present and questioned who was the key holder to the Zoar Village Hotel as the alarm keeps going off and no one can get in to shut the alarm off. Mayor Tom Klingaman stated he was unsure who ZCA would have as the key holder but would try to find out for them.

Fiscal:

None.

Street Committee:

David Irwin stated he was trimming trees around town on 2nd street, East 2nd, and 250 Main Street. He also did crack filling on Park St. between 6th and 7th and a section on East 2nd street. He stated that he bought another load of 4lls

for the alley behind the Mexican restaurant and the 1st Street Parking Lot and patched some holes on Dover Zoar Road. In the Cemetery, some big limbs came down and he hauled 3 loads from the pine trees on the north side and painted the water pump stating it is now operational and working well. He also trimmed a lot of low branches as you drive into the cemetery. David Irwin stated that he received a complaint about a vehicle at 671 Park Street that it has been sitting there and hasn't been moved. There is also plastic in the passenger side window and it looks like it hasn't moved in a couple years. David Irwin stated that it needs to be looked into and asked who would take care of that. Mayor Tom Klingaman stated that he will look into it as he got the same complaint.

Safety Committee:

David Gannon had questions about the sign he has been looking into and estimates on the cost. He stated he went over to Navarre to see their signs as reference. He was asking if any movement can be made on getting the sign yet, which will be a speed sign not a stop sign. He mentioned it would be similar to the new Bolivar stop signs, which look very nice. David Irwin questioned if they will put it on a pole or if that would have to be purchased, David Gannon stated that it will all be included in that total of his first estimate which is around \$1800.00. Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, questioned David Gannon if this was the same company that the Village of Bolivar used for their signs, he was unsure but stated this was the company recommended by ODOT. Emily Hayes stated they will need to check to see if they have the funds for the sign or if money will need to be reallocated and will update council at the next meeting. Mayor Klingaman asked David Gannon to verify the estimate as it says mounting kit but nothing about the post, to make sure it covers the full cost if a post is needed and what kind of post they recommend if so.

Planning Commission, Historic Preservation Commission, and Event Center Building Committee:

PC:

Mayor Tom Klingaman stated that the Planning Commission joined the America 250-Ohio. Which is a commission of next year for the 250th anniversary of the country. So Zoar became a member and they got a nice certificate and kit. They are asking for communities to utilize a monthly event calendar that discusses historic facts about Ohio. They have discussed with the arboretum, the church, ZCA, and the Village of Zoar and they all agreed to join together when doing the monthly events but not making it mandatory for them to do them all. David Gannon asked if they had samples of the type of events they will be having. Mayor Tom Klingaman stated absolutely and that they already have it mapped out for each month for next year. Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, stated that there seems to be a monthly theme and that there is a monthly lunch and learn as well that they can post somewhere that way if anyone in the community wants to join it they can. It is about local culture, civic, and corporation partners. Mayor Tom Klingaman stated it sounds very similar to being apart of Tree City USA.

HPC:

Mark Gaynor stated they have no new permits at this moment and they have a meeting scheduled this week. He stated the fence is starting around the Gergley house, which he has heard some concerns about 6 foot tall posts as people thought they were putting in a tall private fence, but assured them those will be cut down and it will be the approved fence they have discussed to match others in Zoar.

Event Center Building Committee:

Mark Gaynor stated that he looked into pricing for WIFI for the Event Center. From Spectrum he got the quote of \$80 a month for 500 megabytes. He stated that there is no contract so we could try it and end at anytime if needed. He stated one of the benefits of it would be a possible nest thermostat, which he has one in his home that he can control from his phone. This would make it easier during rentals to control it from your phone and not have to be present for every rental. Another example would be to use it for improvements to the doors to where those would also be programmable to our phone to unlock/lock. Mark Gaynor stated that he believes he has a nest that he would donate to the Event Center for use, but the village would have to get more for all the thermostats if needed. He stated he looked into other companies but Spectrum was the best option at the moment. He spoke with them a few times and the first time the price was \$150.00 for a commercial building but was able to work down to a more affordable option of \$80. He mentioned that we can always check around for more options as more come to the area. David Gannon questioned if we get a non-profit status for it or anything and Mayor Tom Klingaman stated we get tax exempt. David Gannon stated that's his rate at home and was wondering if they are getting a special rate. Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, stated \$80 for this big of a building is a deal and worth looking into seeing if they have the funds to do so. Mark Gaynor stated again how it will help with rentals, potential keypads for the door, security cameras which we already own, the ability to work out of the office, security to be able to unlock the doors if needed during a safety issue, and other potential uses. We also already have an extender that will work

and can hook that up as well. Mark Gaynor asked that if we have the funds to go ahead and make a motion to move forward. He suggested that we do the monthly billing to trial it out as they do have an option to do it yearly.

David Irwin asked if there were any savings such as the 7% off. He said that we get funding from Spectrum because that's how everyone generates money. Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, stated they don't get funding in from Spectrum that she has seen. Mark Gaynor made a motion to move forward with setting up internet for the Event Center if there is funding available, Kim Klingaman seconded. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Irwin- neither yes or no. Doug Frautschy, Village Solicitor, said since David Irwin didn't agree or disagree it wasn't a problem.

David Irwin questioned if this is funding coming out of the event center. Emily stated yes if the funding was available but would still have to look into the matter stating it may have to even wait till we can allocate it for next year. David Gannon asked if the event center was making any profit or at least making even. Emily stated from what she has seen it looks to be doing better than last year and will have more information at the next meeting. David Gannon wants to make sure that the funding would come from the event center to cover the internet. Emily assured him it would have too, as well as Mark Gaynor stating it would be just like the electric and gas for the event center.

Mark Gaynor also mentioned that he is working on a grant to get the building painted. David Irwin questioned what color and Mark was unsure and said cheapest available.

Solicitor:

None.

Additions to Agenda:

None.

Mayor's Notes:

Mayor Tom Klingaman mentioned that he already spoke on the America 250-Ohio during the planning update. The other topic he wanted to discuss was that he passed out estimates of lawn service for the cemetery. He is unsure if it has ever been treated and it is a disaster. The one lawn care service said it has every weed known to man. There is a cemetery long term maintenance account he believes with \$3400 in it. The best price that he got was \$350 with 2 treatments. Mayor Klingaman stated that he would really like to get it done to look better for our community. Mark Gaynor questioned if council would vote on this or if the cemetery board would vote on it. Mayor Klingaman questioned if we even have a cemetery board anymore and asked what protocol would be. Doug Frautschy, Village Solicitor, stated it would be up to council as money would be spent so it ultimately is council's decision, but you may want their advice or consent if you feel it needed. Kim Klingaman asked if a couple more estimates can be gathered. Mayor Klingaman said they can gather a couple more before moving forward. Mark Gaynor mentioned someone that uses a pet friendly one that he can ask.

Legislation:

Resolution 2025-09: First Reading to become members of America 250-Ohio. Motion to approve joining America 250-Ohio was made by David Gannon and seconded by Mark Gaynor. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Irwin-yes.

Next scheduled meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 6 PM at the Event Center. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mark Gaynor and seconded by Jill Harshey. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Irwin-yes.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:38 PM.

Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer

Thomas Klingaman, Mayor

Date: _____