

## **ZOAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING**

**August 12, 2025**

The Zoar Village Regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Klingaman at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call:

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

A motion to approve the 07/08/2025 Regular Meeting minutes was made by Kim Klingaman and seconded by Jill Harshey. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, Jeff Eadie-yes, David Irwin-yes.

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

### **ZOAR VILLAGE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

#### **Expenditures submitted for payment August 2025**

1	AEP	449.23	Street Lighting
2	AEP	375.67	Community Center
3	Tom Klingaman	150.00	Salary August
4	Emily Hayes	500.00	Salary August
5	OPERS	120.00	OPERS August
6	Columbia Gas	61.75	Community Center
7	Tusc Cty Wtr Swr	49.65	Community Center July
8	Huntington Bank CC	111.13	USPS, Speedway, & Kimble
9	ZCA	48.71	1/2 cost of dumpster for July 2025
10	Eddys Convenient Lawncare LLC	950.00	Grass Cutting for July 2025
11	Harold Raines	125.00	Cremation Grave Opening
12	Public Entities Pool of Ohio	6,078.00	July 20,2025- July 20,2026 PEP Coverage
13	Doug Frautschy	1,050.00	Legal Services 2nd quarter, review multiple PRRs, & prosecution fees
		<b>10,069.14</b>	

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

#### **Public Speaks:**

Mayor Tom Klingaman asked how Lori Feeney, who was present, was feeling. She gave an update on her health stating she was continuing on recovery and the cancer is gone after surgical removal. Council wished her a speedy recovery as she continues to heal.

Emily Hayes presented the topic of a Little Free Library for the Village kids and questioned if the Village would be interested in allowing this and gave examples of the different kinds and costs associated. She gave some information to review and stated how it would also add Zoar to the Little Free Library Map. The cost of the actual library would depend on the type chosen and the purchase of the charter sign either normal or custom. She stated she

would contact the library to figure out more information about the setup process and present at the next meeting. Possible locations were discussed as well.

#### **Fiscal:**

Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, stated she passed out information about the different monthly events for America 250-Ohio that was discussed at the last meeting. She presented council with information from Huntington Bank about switching the current commercial credit card to the Huntington Business Voice credit card. The commercial card that the Village currently uses isn't really necessary since it is not used as often as a normal commercial card is. The Voice card would give 4% back on every purchase that can be chosen from a list of where you would use most often such as gas stations, plus 1% back on everything else. This can be changed quarterly if you wish, and the current card does not have any of these benefits. It also makes it a lot safer on the fiscal side of things as the fiscal officer will now be able to see more in real time usage of the card instead of waiting for the statements to come out, allowing more control of fraud issues and management of the card. Huntington Bank recommended it as being better for the Village and said it would only take about 15 mins to apply and the Village can keep the commercial card open as well if they chose to. David Irwin questioned if we have blanket coverage on the credit card, council stated they were unsure of his question. Emily stated they pay fraud protection fees on their checking account but not for the credit card. Huntington also stated this card is easier to navigate because it is through Huntington and the commercial card we currently use is through a third party limiting access. Emily stated currently she can see the total of expenses but can't see where it is being charged until the statement hits, this other card would allow that information sooner. Overall it seems safer, has rewards, can service it more, and more access to it. Motion to apply for the Huntington Business Voice Credit Card and then cancel the commercial card was made by Mark Gaynor and seconded by David Gannon. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, Jeff Eadie-yes, David Irwin-yes.

Emily gave David Irwin the new PEP insurance cards for the Village truck and gave council an update on the event center stating that this year it is doing so much better than last year. So far for the revenue for this year is \$6,325.00 and last year's revenue for the whole year was \$5,795.00. Now looking at it with taking away this year's expenses so far, current profit for this year would be \$3,778.89 and last year's profit after the years expenses was \$1,821.43. She stated that expenses for this year so far also reflected some bills that weren't paid in 2024 due to late billing. Emily stated how there are currently a few more rentals already booked and hopes to bring in more to continue to increase the revenue. Congrats was given to Kim Klingaman for her work on the Event Center rentals.

Emily explained that appropriations will also need to be reallocated to cover expenses as they were not properly allocated for in the permanent appropriations. Emily explained with some examples: only \$1,200.00 was appropriated for Columbia Gas, but last year expenses was \$1,392.55, Water and Sewer only \$400.00 and last year expenses was \$555.53, but for electric that one was over appropriated \$2000.00 and last year expense was only \$1654.33. Emily stated she was unsure why the previous Fiscal Officer didn't appropriate for what we spent last year plus an additional 10% to cover for this year expenses to prevent having to move funds around. There are also other sub-funds within the general fund that will need to be increased as well to cover expenses such as OPERS which only \$756 was allocated for and last years expense was \$1296.00. She stated she was unsure why it was done this way but will have to change things going forward. Doug asked if she would like an intra-fund transfer form for when she is ready to move the funds, Emily said yes that funds will have to be moved in at least the water and sewer bill for this month as only \$22.14 was left in the allocated amount and others will need to be moved for next month's bills. Emily also said after looking at everything and the revenue brought in from the Event Center that internet would be doable and will have to be added as a new sub-fund and reallocate funds to cover this expense as well. Emily explained that the total of the general fund will not change at all just funds will be moved within the general fund. Different sub-funds were discussed as to which would be the safest one to pull from based on the amounts needed. See Resolution 2025-10 below.

#### **Street Committee:**

David Irwin stated he did some work out on Cherry Hill and Michael Lane at the entrance as he cut all the weeds down with the help of David Gannon. In the ditch on the right side going up somebody threw roof tile in it and he had to haul it all out as it floats and goes down to the catch basin and causes a problem. He also bought some street patch and has been patching some places around town. He bought a gallon of weed killer for the sidewalks and will start doing that weather permitting and bought a chain for the pole saw to trim a lot of trees. David stated he

mowed in front of a Village resident home as the grass was almost knee high and put pickets up and screwed in the fence so that it looked presentable.

#### **Safety Committee:**

Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, stated that when reviewing funding there was PEP funds that would help cover some of the cost. She mentioned that PEP has a grant for up to \$1000.00 that the Village can apply for and if they get that, with the funds currently in the PEP fund it would cover it fully. She gave both David Gannon and Mark Gaynor a copy of the grant application to start the process to get approved. Currently in the PEP fund there is \$1,596.41 and the sign costs \$1823.05. Mark asked if we need to purchase this now or can we wait and see if the grant goes through. David Gannon stated he wouldn't like to wait any longer and just pay for it now and reimburse with the funds if we get the grant. David Gannon volunteered to fill out the paperwork for the grant and submit it. Emily also let them know to take into consideration with the sign that they may need to get insurance on it as they currently do on the other two speed signs in the Village. David Gannon explained the location of the sign and stated he tried to get it further out but ODOT said no it needed to go into the same location as the old one. Mark said we wanted to do this anyway so he thinks he should move along with the process. Motion to move forward and purchase the flashing speed sign from TAPCO before the potential grant coverage was made by David Gannon and seconded by Mark Gaynor. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, Jeff Eadie-yes, David Irwin-yes.

David Gannon was wondering if there was any update on the letters he sent with Pat Eddy, Interim Zoning Inspector, to the homeowners that needed to correct some zoning problems. Mayor Tom Klingaman stated they were certified letters and they did not sign for them so they were returned to the Village. David Gannon asked if Doug Frautschy, Village Solicitor, can be asked if there is anything else that can be done on this matter. Doug had to leave the meeting early and was not present for questioning on this topic at this time. Kim Klingaman believes that he was already asked this and stated there was no more that can be done unfortunately.

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

##### **PC:**

Mayor Tom Klingaman said there was no planning meeting but they did gather Sherry Bauchman, Pastor Dan, Jon Elsasser, and himself together so they could make some plans for the America 250-Ohio Celebration next year. He referred back to the printout Emily handed out to everyone that listed the themes of each month.

##### **HPC:**

Mark Gaynor mentioned he was absent for part of the meeting but updates that he gathered was the Gergley fence project has been put on hold for now and the only new permit was for a fence around the creamery dumpster. Mark mentioned if the fence is within the Zoar guidelines they told Pat Eddy, Interim Zoning Inspector, he can go ahead and approve as there is no need to slow down the process if it fits the already in place standards.

#### **Event Center Building Committee:**

Mark Gaynor mentioned that the internet is up and working with the options being Zoar Event Center and Zoar Event Center Guest and provided the password to those present. He said the Zoar Event Center would primarily be for employees and council members during meetings and the guest password would be posted somewhere in the building and can be changed at any time. Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, questioned a phone number that she saw on an email from Spectrum and was curious about whose it was, but both Mark and her would have to look into it more. Emily told Mark if he wanted to look into the upgrades of the doors, or the nests mentioned before, and we could discuss that at the next meeting now that internet is available.

#### **Solicitor:**

None.

**Additions to Agenda:**

None.

**Mayor's Notes:**

Mayor Tom Klingaman stated he called Doug Bauchman, county engineer, to see when he was going to schedule for Dover Zoar Road to be done and he said that probably the last week of August. Mayor Klingaman then asked Mark Gaynor if he was sent anything from the guy he was looking into for the lawncare maintenance. Mark stated he has just been playing phone tag and hasn't heard back yet about the noninvasive treatment he has heard of. Mark asked if we could approve up to \$750.00 for either company so we can get the steps moving along once they decide who to go with. Mayor Klingaman stated no matter what something needs to be done soon, Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, stated they have the funding to do so they just need to agree. David Gannon questioned how many treatments would it be, both Mark and Mayor Klingaman stated both companies would be 2 treatments. Motion to approve spending up to \$750.00 for lawn service for the cemetery was made by Mark Gaynor and seconded by Jill Harshey. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, Jeff Eadie-yes, David Irwin-no comment.

Last thing Mayor Klingaman mentioned was that the Bolivar Zoar Rotary has invited everyone to the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new pavilion on the Towpath asking anyone to RSVP to Lisa Geers and passed out an informational flyer to everyone present.

**Legislation:**

**Resolution 2025-10: First Reading/Pass by Emergency** to reallocate funds within the general fund to cover current expenses. Motion to suspend the rules to allow fiscal officer to reallocate funds within the general fund was made by Kim Klingaman and seconded by Mark Gaynor. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, Jeff Eadie-yes, David Irwin-yes. **Motion to Pass by Emergency** was made by Mark Gaynor and seconded by Kim Klingaman. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, Jeff Eadie-yes, David Irwin-yes.

Next scheduled meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 6 PM at the Event Center. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kim Klingaman and seconded by Mark Gaynor. Roll Call: David Gannon- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Kim Klingaman- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, Jeff Eadie-yes, David Irwin-yes.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:54 PM.

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Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer

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Thomas Klingaman, Mayor

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