# ZOAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

# September 9, 2025

The Zoar Village Regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Klingaman at 6:02 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 08/12/2025 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 September 2025:

## ZOAR VILLAGE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

# **Expenditures submitted for payment September 2025**

1	AEP	455.64	Street Lighting
2	AEP	275.11	Community Center
3	Tom Klingaman	150.00	Salary September
4	Emily Hayes	500.00	Salary September
5	OPERS	120.00	OPERS September
6	Columbia Gas	61.86	Community Center
7	Tusc Cty Wtr Swr	58.49	Community Center August
8	Huntington Bank CC	445.72	Helbing's, Walmart, Staples, Rural King, & Lowes
9	ZCA	49.15	1/2 cost of dumpster for August 2025
10	Eddys Convenient Lawncare LLC	950.00	Grass Cutting for August 2025
11	Keith Faber, Auditor of State	273.00	UAN Fees- 4th QTR 25
12	Village of Bolivar	2,520.00	Police Protection 6/22/25-8/30/25=63.00 hrs. @\$40hr
13	Ward & Emler Surveying, Inc.	500.00	Proposed Detachment of Dover Zoar Rd CR 82 in Jan/ Feb of 2023
14	Spectrum	168.95 <b>6,527.92</b>	Internet July and August

Motion to acknowledge receipt of financial statements and pay the monthly bills for September 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.

## **Public Speaks:**

Emily Hayes updated on the Little Free Library idea given at the last meeting. She contacted the Tuscarawas County Public Library and spoke with Megan who said they were eager and willing to join in a partnership with the Village of Zoar. This would include them purchasing, building and placing the library, as well as maintaining the library. The Village of Zoar would be able to choose where they would like to place it and Megan said they were open to other colors since it is a historic district, instead of the normal purple that the library uses for there locations. There can be a MOU partnership in writing but needed to know if this is something they were interested in as the library only does 2 a year, so this would be for 2026. Motion to approve the Little Free Library partnership with the TCPLS 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.

# Fiscal:

Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, brought up that is was brought to her attention that there was an error in the August 23rd Bargain Hunter edition and she will reach out to Lori Feeney to let her know. In the article, it mentioned the PEP grant would cover \$1,200 and it should have said \$1,000 of the \$1823 cost. Another error was when it stated profit in 2024 was just \$18, it

should have said profit in 2024 after expenses was just over \$1,800. Emily also brought up the yearly compost donation to Lawrence Township asking if this is something council would like to do again this year as Matt Ritterbeck reached out to see if we are interested for the year. Previously, they donated \$250, Emily asked if they wanted to stay at \$250 or up it, David Irwin stated to stay at \$250, council agreed. Motion to make a yearly compost donation to Lawrence Township of \$250 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. She also quickly spoke on the Spectrum bill about the issues that have been happening with them and that the bill they are signing off on was due to multiple being together and shouldn't be that high next time once the issues are resolved.

#### **Street Committee:**

David Irwin brought up the cars at 350 East second street, asking if someone can look into getting it cleaned up on both sides of the building. He also asked about the post office cleaning up their debris and brush piles that they have piled up on both sides. Lastly, he said that Dover Zoar road looks good but we need to check in to see if the county is going to stripe it. He said they will be doing Middle Run and Sandyville and we should see if they can do it at the same time. Mark Gaynor asked if it was paved and Mayor Tom Klingaman stated it was done yesterday and looks beautiful and currently has some temporary hashes down the middle. Mayor Tom also stated how he has driven the whole length of Dover Zoar and there are no edge lines anywhere so he is assuming we will only need the double yellow for about 1000 ft. Emily asked if this was part of the contract but just hasn't been done yet since it was just paved yesterday. They were unsure and will have to look into it.

### **Safety Committee:**

David Gannon stated that he filled out the paperwork for the flashing sign and asked Emily if she has heard from Will the salesman at all, she has not. Another issue that David Gannon brought up was large animals that get hit on 212 and get deposited onto Michael Lane. He stated that he made some phone calls to see what can be done, Mayor Tom stated he did as well. Eric Minor, Bolivar Police Officer that was present, stated the officer should have just disposed of it on the other side of the road. David Gannon stated he talked with Lauren from ODOT and she said they will send somebody down there. He stated this is the third one he has seen down there and he would like to see something done about the proper disposal as this is a crossing. He spoke with Matt Ritterbeck that said he would speak to other road crews to see what can be done.

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

#### PC:

Mayor Tom Klingaman stated they met last Tuesday for the meeting and they are creating a levy flyer for the passing of the upcoming levy and it should be done any time now. They also worked on the America 250-Ohio projects for the year. He said they had a really good meeting and got a lot done, just have to get the flyer done and passed out. David Gannon questioned how they will be getting it out. Mayor Tom said they have a volunteer that will pay the postage.

#### HPC

Mark Gaynor said they have a meeting on Thursday that they are still deciding on a time for. No new permits or anything at this time.

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

Mark Gaynor said that he gave Mayor Tom the grant for painting the building for \$7,000 something through the Reeves Foundation that is due this month and may be awarded in October sometime. He stated if they did receive the grant, they probably wouldn't be able to do any painting till next spring anyway as they are headed into winter. Along with grants he mentioned the proposal that Lauren Marburger brought to planning awhile back for a playground down at the old baseball field by the post office. He believed that she had an estimate and an idea for the project. He just saw in the Bargain Hunter that Mineral City got a grant for \$50,000 from the Reeves Foundation for a park and he also mentioned one similar done in Navarre. Mayor Tom said that the park was another idea mentioned at the last planning commission meeting. Mark said he will look into it and there are two places he will look into for a grant and has contacted people to help him with the process of applying. Emily mentioned they could apply for the \$1,000 PEP grant next year if offered as well. Mark also wanted to know if we could get quoted on how much the insurance would go up if we did have a park. Emily stated she would contact the PEP representative for the Village of Zoar and see if this is something they could get for us.

# Solicitor:

Doug Frautschy, Village Solicitor, stated there is no more Regional Planning and we should get a small refund, a fraction of the yearly payment. He stated it was replaced with a county wide Regional Planning. Mark Gaynor questioned how much a year we were paying for it, Doug stated it is based on population so he said it wasn't that much.

Additions to Agenda:
None.
Mayor's Notes:
Mayor Tom Klingaman mentioned the Civil War Reenactment that is coming up on September 20-21. He was told they have a pretty good signup of reenactors, more than 600. Eric Minor mentioned he was told today that they moved the battle back to the levy. Many council members spoke concerns about the safety of this, that it is not handicap accessible, and many others concerns. Eric also mentioned the limited help on there end due to it being fair weekend. Eric said he was also told that there will only be one battle this year and it is on Saturday. Mayor Tom also mentioned that the last Saturday of September the 27 <sup>th</sup> is the Cars and Coffee event held in the lot across from the church. It is a nationwide low key car show and this is held by the Canton Chapter. There is no sign up or trophies you just show up and have a nice time looking at cars, talk, and have coffee. Mayor Tom said they mentioned there will be food trucks there. Doug questioned when it starts, Mayor Tom believed it started at 8 or 8:30 am going till about noonish. He stated ZCA said they are also involved in trying to get tours of the hotel at the same time.
Legislation:
2025-11: First Reading and request to Pass by Emergency to meet due date of Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor. Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer, explained to them they filled out the exact same thing last year and brought it as an example showing how no changes to the numbers were made. Motion to suspend the rules to accept the amounts and rates determined by the Budget Commission was made by Jill Harshey 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. Motion to Pass by Emergency to accept the amounts and rates was made by Jill Harshey 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.
2025-12: First Reading and request to Pass by Emergency of the resolution accepting the alternate formula for distribution of Local Government and Local Government Revenue Assistance Funds as proposed by the Tuscarawas County Budget Commission and as prescribed in Section 5747.53 of the Ohio Revised Code. Motion to suspend the rule to accept the alternate formula for distribution was made by Jill Harshey 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. Motion to Pass by Emergency was to accept the alternate formula for distribution 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, October 14, 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 6:40 PM.

Thomas Klingaman, Mayor

Emily Hayes, Fiscal Officer

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