

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SHERWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 19, 2025**

The Council for the Village of Sherwood met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, in the Community Room. Mayor Dave Weaner called the meeting to order. Council Members Jim Hohenberger, Robert Valle, Jamie Vogelsong, Scott Rohrs, Mike Sudholtz, and Alex Buchhop were present; Administrator/Fiscal Officer Sherri Ramey, Billing Clerk Faye Escalera, Sergeant Mike Shock, Solicitor Taylor Vance (joined at 6:13p), and Jeff Newland were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Previous Meeting minutes**

<b>Motion to Approve the Minutes</b>	<b>J. Hohenberger</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>S. Rohrs</b>
<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Robert Valle</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jamie Vogelsong</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>

**Financial Reports**

<b>Motion to Accept the Financial Reports</b>	<b>R. Valle</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>J. Hohenberger</b>
<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Scott Rohrs</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jamie Vogelsong</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>

<b>Motion to Pay the Bills</b>	<b>J. Vogelsong</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>M. Sudholtz</b>
<b>Jim Hohenberger</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Robert Valle</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Scott Rohrs</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>

The monthly \$1361.80 was transferred from the General fund to the Fire/Rescue fund for the loan payment.

**SHERIFF'S REPORT**

Sergeant Mike Shock told the council that the Sheriff's Department handled seventy-seven calls for service for Sherwood (which only includes within the village limits). Twenty-five were business checks, only one open door was found. Twenty-three traffic stops were conducted, nineteen of those resulted in warnings; the other four were citations. There was one accident at Harrison and SR 18. There were also three criminal arrests inside the village limits.

He wanted to inform everyone that Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> will be the next "Drug Take Back" Day at the Sheriff's Office in Defiance from 10am to 2pm. The public is always able to turn their unused prescription pills in at Sheriff's Office, but on this day, there will be a station set-up outside so the public does not have to enter the building.

**ADMINSTRATOR'S REPORT**

**LAND/BUILDINGS**

### **Library and Village Hall**

Kathy Holtsberry is still getting the quote for shampooing the community room's carpet.

Another quote was received for the carpet tile from Carpet Unlimited. Just a few things are different from Carpet Wholesalers. Unlimited included the front foyer of the library and the staircase in the office. Wholesalers are coming in to add those areas to their quote. From what has been quoted already, it seems like Carpet Wholesalers will be the least expensive. If that is the case, the council agreed to have them go ahead and get the process started.

The garage doors on the Village Hall will be installed tomorrow.

### **PARKS**

#### **Little Reservation**

The replacement parts for the playground equipment have been received and will be installed once the weather warms up.

#### **Ball Fields**

The bleachers have been delivered. They were purchased through the permanent improvement fund. A date needs to be set so that extra hands can be secured to help put them together. So far SMTA, United Edge Real Estate, Spangler Candy Company, Sherwood State Bank, Kuhn Brothers, and the Sherwood Foundation have donated towards entire bleacher sets, with Spangler being the only one that donated more than what a set cost. The Sherwood Foundation's money is going through the grant process, but they voiced they are definitely going to be donating enough for one bleacher set, possibly even enough for two. Monetary donations from Ohio Gas and Spatial AG have also been received to go towards a set of bleachers. The VFW and Sherwood Fire Dept have not yet responded, but hopefully they will donate and that will leave only two sets unspoken for.

#### **Moat's Park**

The observation well was supposed to be done by the Ohio DNR last Friday, weather permitting.

### **EQUIPMENT**

The Top Kick was not holding air pressure. It was scheduled to go to Stykemain Trucks yesterday, but it would have been out for the rest of the season. Luckily, however, it is now taking air, so hopefully it will make it through the winter weather.

The F550 shredded a belt during the last snow and ice storm and had to be replaced. The skid steer had a hole in the tire that had to be fixed the same day as the F550 went down. Both have been repaired.

### **WATER & SEWER**

There were sixteen shut off notices given for January. One was turned off but then turned back on. The two that had been shut off from previous months were also turned back on.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

The Food Pantry will be on Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 10am.

Bryan Excavating has not yet given the village a quote regarding the culvert on Fountain St.

Previously the council signed an ordinance to have Mayor Dave Weaner added to those authorized to have access to the safety deposit box. However, the cost to have the box is



\$35.35 per year, which is not a lot, but after it was emptied and all that was in there was old backup CDs, property deeds, transfers, and titles. There is a fire-proof filing cabinet in the old vault in the Village Office that would offer more protection than the bank’s safety deposit box.

<b>Motion to Close the Safety Deposit Box</b>	<b>J. Hohenberger</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>S. Rohrs</b>
<b>Robert Valle</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jamie Vogelsong</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>

The Auditor’s Conference is scheduled for Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> through Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Faye Escalera, Sherri Ramey, and possibly Dave Weaner will be attending.

The new laptop and printer from the State Auditor’s office were received. This update happens every two years. The old laptop will go to the Utility Billing Clerk. And the old printer will go to the maintenance office. Docking stations will allow the Village office laptop computers to connect to the monitors. The highest price docking stations that were found was for \$150 apiece.

<b>Motion to Purchase Docking Stations</b>	<b>M. Sudholtz</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>R. Valle</b>
<b>Jim Hohenberger</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jamie Vogelsong</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Scott Rohrs</b>	<b>Y</b>

The Sherwood Bank was contacted about setting up ACH for the village. The cost will be \$30 a month and will be set up for both utility payments and the village’s payroll. It should be in place sometime in April.

The insurance renewal annual payment costs \$26,432. Last year it was \$23,619. This increase is due mostly to the new squad and the new water tower being added to the policy.

An income survey is being requested from the village’s residents. The village’s LMI (low to moderate income) rate has changed from the last time the village applied for an infrastructure grant from 73% to 35.4% and is based on the income data from the latest census. In order to be considered for the grant, the LMI needs to be over 51%. The surveys will be mailed out and include a postage paid envelope for residents to return the surveys in. At least 187 surveys must be completed and returned to be considered accurate. The survey has only three questions which include: the residences’ address, the total number of household members, and the total gross income of all members living in the household. They are anonymous and only the totals are recorded and submitted to the funding agencies. They go directly to the engineering firm and their names are not on the survey form or in the database. If enough surveys are not returned, going door to door will be the next step, so enough information can be gathered, and the village can qualify. This is for funding the S. Harrison St project, funding paving, curbs, sidewalks, and crossover tiles as needed.

S. Ramey talked to the council about rescheduling the date for Big Trash Day. This year, Moat’s Park will be hosting the Opening Day for the Fairview Summer Rec League on the weekend of May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Because of that, Big Trash Day was moved from that weekend to the last weekend in April. Because it is typically very wet then, she suggested moving Big Trash



Day to the weekend of May 17<sup>th</sup>, in hopes it would be drier and warmer then. The council agreed to the change.

Senate Bill 56 has been proposed, which would change the amount of excise tax for medical and recreational marijuana. It will change from 10% to 15% and also no longer offers municipalities any portion of the 35% that was originally afforded them. District 82 Representative Roy Klopfenstein reached out to Mayor Weaner advising him to submit a letter regarding the village’s stance on the proposed changes. The council then discussed the matter and stated that the only reason the dispensary was considered is because of the money that it could bring to the community. A lot of communities have been expressing their feelings of outrage at the proposed changes as well. Mayor Weaner is working on a letter and feels like there will be a lot of other entities that will be sending letters in, as well.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCE 24-12-02 – PROHIBITING LOUD AND UNNECESSARY NOISES**

Third Reading

<b>Motion to Accept O-24-12-02 Final Reading</b>	<b>J. Hohenberger</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>R. Valle</b>
<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Scott Rohrs</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jamie Vogelsong</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>

J. Vogelsong asked T. Vance about any progress involving the trailer at 205 Taylor St. He said that everything related to the zoning violation has been sent to Corbin Niese, the municipal prosecutor. S. Ramey said that pipe going to the sewer appears to have been removed. However, it is still on the sidewalk. T. Vance said that he will ask for an update on the complaint’s status. S. Rohrs asked what the process would be when the property owner is told to correct the violation by the prosecutor. T. Vance said that Judge Essex could order that the RV be physically removed and if it is not, the sheriff’s department could issue a warrant pursuant to the zoning code which involves up to thirty days of incarceration as well as a \$100 per day fine that could be imposed.

A. Buchhop asked if a requirement for residents to take advantage of the Big Trash Day is proof of refuse service. The only requirement as of now is that you must be a resident of Sherwood and residential trash is not allowed to be dumped on Big Trash Day, either.

A. Buchhop also asked T. Vance if any of the other nuisances had been turned in for prosecution. T. Vance stated that he would follow up on the ones that he submitted in December tomorrow.

**CITIZENS**

Jeff Newland told the council that he plans to make improvements to his gravel driveway that goes to the back of his property where his shed is located. He would like to have an asphalt drive laid, but because of the water and sewer lines, wondered if that would be his best option. S. Ramey said that she and J. Hurtig looked at the site and the drive would cover the water main. She told J. Newland that the possibility of the main breaking is not as likely as a break at the properties lateral water line, but it is not out of the realm of possibility. He was informed that if something happened and the water main did need to be accessed and his drive tore up, he would be responsible for repairing it himself. He stated that he thinks his best course of action would be to use asphalt grinds instead.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCE-25-01-01 – PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT YEARS  
EXPENSES AND EXPENDITURES**

<b>Motion to Accept O-25-01-01 as an Emergency</b>	<b>S. Rohrs</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>J. Vogel song</b>
<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jim Hohenberger</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Robert Valle</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>

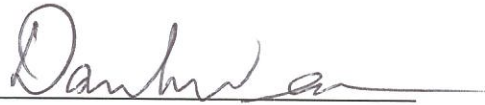
J. Hohenberger asked if there was any progress with updating the website. S. Ramey said that she would be contacting Hicksville to see who worked on their new website.

**Adjourn**

<b>Motion to Adjourn</b>	<b>J. Vogel song</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>R. Valle</b>
<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jim Hohenberger</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Scott Rohrs</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>



Faye Escalera, Utility Billing Clerk



David M. Weaner, Mayor

