

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

The Council for the Village of Sherwood met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 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, Zoning Inspector Gilbert Montez, Aaron Schwarzbek, Sharon Conley, Luke Kuhn, Levi Kuhn and Beth Krouse from the Crescent News 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>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>

<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>

**Committee Reports**

The Employee Committee held a meeting to discuss the village employees' compensation for 2026. No plan was finalized so they will work on that for the next council meeting.

The Finance Committee met and discussed the 2025 Amended Certificate and the 2025 Estimated Revenue as well as the 2026 Estimated Revenue. The committee is recommending to the council to make a \$200,000 transfer from the Sherwood Bank account into STARS Ohio. They also recommend that it be set up so that when the valuation increases \$50,000 over a base of \$250,000 in the Sherwood Bank account it is transferred into STARS.

<b>Motion to Transfer \$250,000 from Sherwood State Bank to STARS Ohio and in \$50,000 increments Over a Maintained \$250,000 in the Sherwood State Bank Account</b>	<b>J. Hohenberger</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>A. Buchhop</b>
<b>Jamie Vogelsong</b>	<b>Y</b>

<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	Y
<b>Robert Valle</b>	Y
<b>Scott Rohrs</b>	Y

The Finance Committee also discussed an issue involving sales tax. As it is now, the State of Ohio deemed that employees who use their own credit cards for village purchases, do not get reimbursed for sales tax because they are not tax-exempt. A resolution/ordinance can be passed that would allow employees to have their sales tax reimbursed when making purchases for the village. The recommendation is to have an allotted \$500 for tax reimbursement.

The Utility Committee will need to set up a meeting. R. Valle, M. Sudholtz and S. Rohrs are on that committee. They decided to meet directly after the evening's council meeting.

### **Nuisances**

G. Montez informed the council that on October 16<sup>th</sup> he talked to the resident at 300 W Maple. Also, he noted that the bus is gone from behind the VFE and that the tires and a lot of other junk has been cleaned up from the front of the body shop. The shop owner said that he will continue to work on that area until it gets all cleaned up.

### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

#### **LAND/BUILDINGS**

S. Ramey informed the council that she still has not heard anything from Leever Glass.

The Welcome to Sherwood signs have not yet had their lights installed.

Northwest Septic came out and sewer jetted the retention pond. It remains to be seen how well it worked.

The council had the opportunity to choose which design they liked for the window decals above the library.

The community room had its carpet shampooed on October 31<sup>st</sup> for a cost of \$175. The library will be covering a third, The Friends of the Library a third, and the council agreed that the village can pay a third as well.

#### **PARKS**

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

Several areas that would be highly visible for a new sign to be installed were discussed.

##### **Ball Fields**

The ball fields are about done. The dugouts are down and new concrete has been poured. Levi Kuhn said that to his knowledge there was approximately seventy-three yards of concrete poured. He said that he and Luke brought a draft of a letter asking for donations for improvements at Moat's Park for the council to look at. They asked the council to read over it and let them know if there are any additions or things they would like to change.

\*Fire Chief Darrell Rock joined the meeting at 6:30pm\*

#### **Fire/EMS Report**

Chief Rock gave the council an application he received from Adam Mack.

<b>Motion to Accept Fire/EMS Applicant Adam Mack Provided He Passes the Background Check</b>	<b>S. Rohrs</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>R. Valle</b>
<b>Jim Hohenberger</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>

Chief Rock recommended a meeting of the Fire Committee (J. Hohenberger, A. Buchhop, and M. Sudholtz) to talk about EMS contracts with neighboring townships as well as Sherwood's EMS rates.

\*Administrator's report continues\*

Levi Kuhn said that he would like to start mailing the letters out as soon as possible and asked the council to let him know if there were any needed changes or additions by Friday November 21<sup>st</sup>. The donations should be given to the Village of Sherwood. As a government entity the funds will be going towards public use. Luke and Levi will be giving each council member five to ten letters that each of them should disperse to their connections who will have the means or influence to donate. S. Ramey confirmed with the council that the village can provide the stamps for the letters.

S. Ramey stated that if the concrete total is \$18,000 the Ball Association will be short on funds. She asked if the council would approve the use of village funds to cover the difference. These funds would be reimbursed during the next ball season.

<b>Motion to Cover Approximately \$2,000 for the Ball Association's Purchase of Concrete at the Ball Fields to be Reimbursed During the 2026 Season</b>	<b>A. Buchhop</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>S. Rohrs</b>
<b>Jim Hohenberger</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Robert Valle</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jamie Vogelsong</b>	<b>Y</b>

### **Little Reservation Station**

S. Ramey reminded the council of past discussions regarding extending the bumpers out so that they can be better secured. The posts that came with them are not long enough and so longer posts will need to be purchased. Shipping two more bumpers will cost as much as the bumpers themselves, so the idea is to use the two bumpers under the bridges and the two extra the village already has to expand the play area and allow the replacement of the bolts with longer ones to better secure the borders.

### **Memorial Park**

A. Buchhop asked what the plan was for the bricks with people's names on them. S. Ramey said that they will be placed in a thin layer of concrete and then sand will be spread between them for weed prevention.

There was a question about what became of the benches that were around the pond. They were not secured well enough and had been pulled out of the ground and pushed over. They are under the shelter house at Moat's Park for now. She spoke with SMTA about using their benches around the walking path. They approved that so there will be two of those for

at the pond under the shade. Concrete pads will be placed to secure them and they will also be painted over the winter.

J. Hurtig is working on the bubbler at the pond so it can be secured. He had to weld pieces onto it so it could be locked.

S. Ramey told the council that she has bricks that she would like everyone to paint as their favorite children's book. These bricks will be used at the story walk to landscape around the stands at the story walk. There will be stone within the bricks secured with rock glue so they will stay in-place. There should be an open house in the spring.

### **EQUIPMENT**

The lawnmower that was purchased in 2021 and leased for two years prior started having some issues at the end of the mowing season. It would just shut off even after the seat sensor was replaced. It will probably need to be replaced in the spring.

The Challenger is also having an issue where it will not stay running. The voltage is low but replacing its battery did not fix the issue. There is a company that will be checking into it and hopefully getting it fixed. It has 409 miles on it and the crew has been carrying a quick charge any time it gets used.

The skid steer was leaking oil. It just went to be fixed because the bucket would not detach in August. That cost almost \$3,000. Redline fixed the recent oil leak but the village has not received that bill yet. The council said that J. Hurtig can lower the asking price on the grapple and try to get that equipment sold.

### **WATER & SEWER**

The were twelve shut off notices deliver in October with none having to be shut off.

S. Ramey and F. Escalera will have Master Meter training on December 10<sup>th</sup> from 10a to noon. The office will be closed during this time.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Goliath will be trimming back approximately twenty-two trees that are encroaching onto roadways or sidewalks and one will be cut down on W. Vine St. The cost will be around \$2500.

Some homeowners were contacted to make them aware of the trimming so they would have time to do it themselves if they would prefer. This would need to be done before the trimming crew comes to Sherwood.

There have been a couple of concerns on whose responsibility it is to have certain ditches along fields mowed. Mayor Dave intends to talk to other mayors to see how they handle it.

There was a discussion of when and where the Council's Christmas dinner would be. It was decided.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **America 250 Ohio**

Defiance City reached out and offered Sherwood the use of their design so the communities can match. It will use Ohio's official birthday logo and Sherwood's logo. The council agreed that the motto 'Our Hometown' should be used.

The office will be closed on Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving.

S. Ramey stated that she will be out of the office from Tuesday November 25<sup>th</sup> through December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The food pantry will be on Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 10am.

The VFW is hosting 'Santa Comes to Town' on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 7pm.

F. Escalera will be out of the office on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 25-10-01 – ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

<b>Motion to Accept the Second Reading of Ordinance 25-10-01</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>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jamie Vogelsong</b>	<b>Y</b>

### Citizens

Sharon Conley and Austin Schwarzbek from the Sherwood State Bank addressed the council with a proposal to move the sidewalk at the new bank site to allow for more parking spots along Harrison St. The sidewalk would be moved onto the new bank's property with the parking encroaching then onto the village's property. J. Hohenberger asked if there would be a legal issue having the sidewalk on private property. S. Ramey asked if the bank wanted to give the area in question to the village so the sidewalk remains village property after being moved. S. Rohrs expressed concerns with changing the parking in that area from parallel parking. He thinks it will be an issue of safety with cars backing out onto the highway. S. Conley stated that the bank's goal is to begin construction in the spring of 2026 and hope to be done by December or the first quarter of 2027, weather permitting. S. Ramey said that she will send a message to the village's solicitor and some ODOT people to see if they can give a clear answer to the legality of the proposal.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **0-25-11-01- GOING INTO CONTRACT FOR TRASH PICKUP**

<b>Motion to Accept the First Reading of 0-25-11-01</b>	<b>J. Vogelsong</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>S. Rohrs</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>

A discussion will be had during the next meeting and if there are any issues, they can be addressed before the third reading of 0-25-11-01. R. Valle said that he is not for people being forced to go with a specific trash service when there are other vendors available. He said he understands that the village has been having problems with people not picking up their yards, but there are already rules on the books for those people and how to enforce it. A. Buchhop said that it will save most people money on their trash service plus it will give everyone a monthly big trash day.

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S. Ramey gave the council a copy of the Developmental Release Guidelines for the new \$25,000,000 residential economic development district program. The new mega-site qualifies Sherwood for this grant for housing.

Another copy was given of an article stating that Governor DeWine announced nearly \$14,000,000 in neighborhood revitalization and critical infrastructure in Ohio. Of this money, the Village of Sherwood received \$750,000 to assist with replacing curbs, gutters, and storm sewers, widening of the roadway, repairing manholes and parking area, and installing new sidewalks. This is the Village's South Harrison Street Project approval to receive a grant. That amount is \$250,000 more than the grant amount received for the North Harrison Street Project. The environmental review process will need to be completed before the release of funds. Once that is secured, the project will go out to bid in early 2026. The building should start early spring of 2026. Mayor Dave commended everyone who went around for signatures and did all that had to be done to accomplish this.

<b>Motion to go into Executive Session for the Purpose of Legal Matters Required to be Kept Confidential</b>	<b>S. Rohrs</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>A. Buchhop</b>
<b>Jim Hohenberger</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Jamie Vogelsong</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Robert Valle</b>	<b>Y</b>

\*Luke Kuhn and Levi Kuhn were asked to stay for this executive session.

<b>Motion to Exit Executive Session</b>	<b>J. Vogelsong</b>
<b>Seconded</b>	<b>R. Valle</b>
<b>Jim Hohenberger</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Mike Sudholtz</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Alex Buchhop</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Scott Rohrs</b>	<b>Y</b>

### Adjourn

<b>Motion to Adjourn</b>	<b>J. Vogelsong</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  
Faye Escalera, Utility Billing Clerk

David M. Weaner  
David M. Weaner, Mayor