

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SHERWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 18, 2026**

The Council for the Village of Sherwood met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, 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, Jason Hoschak, Kylie Schnipke, Josh Seip, Susie Allen, and Beth Krouse from the Crescent News were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Previous Meeting minutes

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| Motion to Approve the Minutes | J. Hohenberger |
| Seconded | R. Valle |
| Mike Sudholtz | Y |
| Scott Rohrs | Y |
| Jamie Vogelsong | Y |
| Alex Buchhop | Y |

Financial Reports

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| Motion to Accept the Financial Reports | A. Buchhop |
| Seconded | M. Sudholtz |
| Jim Hohenberger | Y |
| Robert Valle | Y |
| Scott Rohrs | Y |
| Jamie Vogelsong | Y |

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| Motion to Pay the Bills | J. Vogelsong |
| Seconded | S. Rohrs |
| Mike Sudholtz | Y |
| Jim Hohenberger | Y |
| Robert Valle | Y |
| Alex Buchhop | Y |

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Sergeant Mike Shock informed the council that there were ninety-eight calls for service in January of 2026. Of those, twelve were traffic stops resulting in warnings, two criminal arrests were made, two traffic accidents were responded to, and forty-six business checks were performed. Sgt. Shock asked the council if there were any concerns or issues to report. J. Hohenberger said that a couple vehicles have been parking for extended periods at the Methodist Church and S. Rohrs had concerns about motorcycles speeding in town.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

LAND/BUILDINGS

Village Hall

Leever Glass has not given a date for window installation yet.

The upstairs is getting cleaned up. There has been additional interest in using the space by Fairview's Wrestling team.

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

The Retention Pond seems as if it has drained to an extent, but there is still some standing water.

PARKS

Moats Park

Ball Fields

There has been \$65,350 worth of donations made so far. \$10,000 will go towards the purchase of land, \$7,000 will go towards the dugouts, \$30,000 will go towards fencing, and \$2,000 is allocated for benches.

S. Ramey said that during a meeting with Lu Cooke, an additional funding source was discussed with a capital grant. With those funds updates to the concession stand could be done; a garage could be provided for the equipment, the kitchen could be extended toward the east into the rear of the current garage, the stairs would be moved to the exterior of the building, the front of the current garage could be converted into a family bathroom, a new field could be placed on the new property, playground equipment could be installed behind the concession stand, and the current playground equipment at the main park could be updated. The grant is for \$400,000 and must be submitted by March 20th.

Little Reservation Station

The borders are going to be reset with new rebar when the weather permits.

STREETS

At the corner of the sidewalk in front of the Village Hall, the detectable warning surface was pushed up because the concrete underneath was destroyed by ice. There is a cone in place until it can be repaired because cleaning up the concrete will create a hole.

EQUIPMENT

The F550 was towed to Hicksville. I would not start during the last big snow. The exhaust system collapsed and clogged. The repair cost is \$7000 for a full replacement.

The TopKick is bogging down while under load with suspected fuel delivery issues.

The Skid Steer's power coupler broke but was able to be fixed in-house.

WATER & SEWER

There were fourteen shut-off notices delivered; none were shut off.

M. Sudholtz stated that the Utility Committee should meet to discuss what amount delinquent accounts are behind when shut-off notices are delivered.

There were three meters that froze and have since been insulated. The accounts credited were 201 N Harrison for \$65.04, 207 N Harrison for \$74.16, and 205 S Harrison for \$54.24.

MISCELLANEOUS

Goliath will be in the village next week to start the tree trimming job.

S. Ramey's and F. Escalera's computers have been replaced. One was from 2013 and the other from 2016. The cost was less than \$3000. The council was asked how they wanted to dispose of the old computers once they were factory reset, and they did not have any preference.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The America 250 Ohio Banners are in the office and will be getting hung soon. The Local Income Tax requires a \$700 one-time fee that can eliminate all the paper and Sherwood will then be able to offer e-filing.

The Food Pantry will be on Friday, February 27th from 8am to 10am.

S. Ramey told the council that she has a letter they can sign that would demonstrate the Village’s support of the building demolition at the corner of Vine and N. Harrison.

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) informed the Village that it is no longer considered within District 1, instead it is in District 2 now. Information was sent to the office about a Safety Grant for Sidewalk gaps.

Save the dates of Saturday, July 25th, for the “WingThing”, and Saturday, August 1st, for the “SchwingThing” softball tournament.

D. Weaner told the council that he spoke with Nic Alvarez about having Cross Country trails utilized on the new property. He was very enthusiastic about it and hopes that XC team members will be able to help.

J. Hohenberger asked if there was any new information about the inlays for the second story windows of the library. S. Ramey said that she is going to send the design Luke Kuhn showed the council with their recommended adjustments to Bryce Steiner. Once he has the design he will get them made. The Kuhn’s said that we can still use their scissor lift to install them.

FIRE & EMS REPORT

Chief Darrel Rock joined the meeting and presented the council with a new application he received for the department.

He told them they are at forty-two runs for the year already. He reminded the council of the pump issues they had for Fire Unit 801. He told them that it was able to be fixed inside their building for about half the estimated price elsewhere. But then discovered air compressor issues so that will need fixed.

He hopes to have the new EMS contracts for Farmer, Washington, and Mark Center Townships ready for next month’s meeting.

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| Motion to accept Anthony Renollet’s application with approved background check | M. Sudholtz |
| Seconded | R. Valle |
| Jim Hohenberger | Y |
| Jamie Vogelsong | Y |
| Alex Buchhop | Y |
| Scott Rohrs | Y |

R. Valle stated that during the recent snow event, the Fire Station’s parking lot did not get plowed. He said he felt that should be a priority. M. Sudholtz asked if J. Hurtig would be able to use the fire department’s snow plow if the village’s equipment were to be an issue again in the future and Chief Rock said that he did not see any reason why that would not be an option.

OLD BUSINESS

S. Rohrs asked if Gilbert Montez was able to go visit the nuisance property on S. Harrison St. He was not at this meeting because he was sick but he was able to give the property owner a list of the specific nuisance violations that need to be addressed. Once he had the list he has fifteen days.

S. Ramey said that G. Montez stopped at the N. Rock St. property and discovered that the residents are moving out and someone else is moving in and cleaning things up.

M. Sudholtz stated that a property on S. Taylor St. that has had nuisance issues in the past, is starting to accumulate junk in the yard again.

CITIZENS

Jason Hoschak, the Ohio Department of Transportation's Defiance County Administrator, introduced himself. Then Kylie Schnipke, who said that she does local program coordination as the ODOT District 1 Manager, addressed the council stating that there was a study of the intersection at of US 127 and Ohio 18. The study concluded in May of 2025. There is a new initiative in Ohio that encourages intersections like 127/18 to be all-way stops after seeing progress in places like North Carolina. Intersections that became all-way stops there, saw a reduction of 55% in traffic accidents and 92% reduction in fatal accidents. She told the council that in order to have a traffic light put in instead of stop signs, a signal warrant would be required. Those are issued based on traffic counts, and while 127 has enough traffic, 18 does not have enough traffic to qualify the intersection for a traffic signal.

Hoschak informed the council that the study initiated because Sheriff Engel approached him frequently at the 'Defiance: Safe Communities' meetings saying that something needed to be done to improve the safety at the 127/18 intersection. Hoschak stated that he then submitted a safety review that resulted in the study. With Ohio's initiative, this intersection became an obvious prime candidate for an all-way stop. Hoschak said that he was told that the new signs would be in his office in two days, the message boards will be going up to tell drivers of the upcoming traffic pattern change three days later, and the signs would be installed on March 9th.

Schnipke said that safety studies track the before and after of projects. She said that a year's span between 2023 and 2024 that intersection saw eighteen accidents.

Susie Allen told the council that she was confused about what was going on with the trash pick-up with Werlor's. She asked if it would be billed on Sherwood's utility bill and if it started in the beginning of March. With both answers being yes, she voiced her wish to opt-out of the service. Since there is no way to opt-out she asked the cost per month and was told that it will cost \$21.50 per month for a 65-gallon trash cart or \$23.50 per month for a 95-gallon trash cart. She said that she only has one bag of trash per month and that she does not want to pay the charge for a trash cart. Members of the council told her that they understood, but also informed her of the benefit with the new contract in that it includes a once monthly pick up for two bulk items, that residents can opt in to have recycling at no additional cost, and that the purpose of going into contract is to help clean up the village. It was also reiterated by council members that there were three previous meetings required before the contract was approved and during those meetings would have been the appropriate time to voice any concerns. Allen asked where the information about the meeting times and the agenda were published and she was informed that it was posted in several places, including the back of the utility bills and the Crescent News as well.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 26-02-01- A Resolution Setting Rates for EMS Runs

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| Motion to Accept the First Reading of R-26-02-01 | S. Rohrs |
| Seconded | R. Valle |
| Mike Sudholtz | Y |
| Jim Hohenberger | Y |
| Jamie Vogelsong | Y |
| Alex Buchhop | Y |

ADJOURN

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| Motion to Adjourn | J. Vogelsong |
| Seconded | A. Buchhop |
| Mike Sudholtz | Y |
| Jim Hohenberger | Y |
| Robert Valle | Y |
| Scott Rohrs | Y |



Faye Escalera, Utility Billing Clerk



David M. Weaner, Mayor

