

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SHERWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL
JANUARY 21, 2026**

The Council for the Village of Sherwood met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 21, 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, Solicitor Taylor Vance, Sherwood FD Chief Darrell Rock, Luke Kuhn, Levi Kuhn, and Beth Krouse from the Crescent News were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

J. Hohenberger, J. Vogelsong, M. Sudholtz, and A. Buchhop took the Oath of Office for the position of Councilperson for the Village of Sherwood.

Previous Meeting minutes

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

Financial Reports

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

Motion to Pay the Bills	J. Vogelsong
Seconded	R. Valle
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Deputy Alex Jackson introduced himself to the council and let them know that there were forty-one business checks, two non-injury accidents, three stops with citations, and eight traffic stops without citations.

Committee Reports

The council discussed the Committees for 2026, and J. Hohenberger motioned to keep them as they were in 2025. R. Valle seconded the motion. S. Rohrs, M. Sudholtz, J. Vogelsong, and A. Buchhop voted to accept the motion.

Election of Council President

M. Sudholtz made a motion nominating S. Rohrs to continue as the Council's President. J. Hohenberger seconded and the rest of the council voted in agreement. There were no other nominations. S. Rohrs accepted the nomination.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

LAND/BUILDINGS

Village Hall

Leever Glass has not given a date for the window installation at the Village Hall yet.

A picture of the upstairs at Village Hall was shared with the council. It showed above the drop-down ceiling and showed what would need to be removed. The cost is still unknown. T. Vance stated that if there were volunteer helpers, they should sign a waiver recognizing the inherent risk of the project. He said it probably is not necessary, but it would be 'best practice'.

S. Ramey stated the lights for the Welcome to Sherwood signs have not been installed yet and the retention pond seems to have drained some, but there is still some standing water there.

PARKS

Moat's Park

Ball Fields

The donations for Project Home Field are now close to \$57,000.

Little Reservation Station

The rebar to reset the borders has been obtained. Once the weather improves it can be installed.

Memorial Park

The cost for the brick pathway to be stamped and colored will cost \$22,815. The stamped border will cost \$5,475. There was a Sherwood Foundation meeting this week and they are getting a quote to see the cost of more name bricks. Once that information is obtained, they would like to offer the community an opportunity to get name bricks for a donation so they can be installed during the project.

STREETS

S. Ramey said that she now has a contact with AEP. Her contact said that the village would not be able to switch all of the streetlights to LED throughout, but they will switch them over as the lights go bad. New streetlights can be added. Once a list of desired locations is submitted, they will determine whether it can be done. They also discussed adding outlets to some of the poles so they can accommodate the snowflakes.

WATER & SEWER

Utility Bills

F. Escalera submitted the Utility Adjustments and Credits from August 2025 through January 2026 to council for approval in the amount of \$570.47.

Motion to Approve Utility Adjustments & Credits Submitted for 8/25 through 1/26	M. Sudholtz
Seconded	A. Buchhop
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Three 'America 250 Ohio Banners' will be ordered for \$207 and will be hung up in Sherwood's downtown area.

The office will be closed on February 16th for Presidents' Day.

Starting in February the food pantry will no longer be on the same day as the council meetings. Instead, it will be on the last Friday of the month (except for November and December). February's food pantry will be on the 27th from 8am to 10am.

There are a couple of council dates that will need to be moved from the third Wednesday of the month.

The Defiance County Tax Initiative Review Council is coming up. S. Ramey asked for two volunteers from the council to attend the meeting on February 24th at 9am at the Defiance County Economic Development Office. It will review all of the enterprise zone agreements, tax increment financing and community reinvestment areas. Mayor Dave and J. Hohenberger said they could attend.

FIRE/EMS REPORT

Chief Rock told the council that they ended 2025 with 276 runs. It was just a bit less than 2024. And up 6% on the intown and local runs. There were already eighteen runs in 2026.

He said they are working on redoing the EMS contracts for Washington, Farmer, and Mark Township. With a lawyer involved that is saying some of the wording will need to be changed.

The EMS run rates need to be adjusted after he meets with T. Vance.

He told the council that there would be some maintenance bills coming in from a squad and an ambulance that need repair work done.

The youth squad is slower going than he expected, but he has hope that a few individuals will join as eighteen-year-olds once they get the adult training.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE- 25-11-01- Authorizing the Village of Sherwood, Ohio to Enter into an Exclusive Agreement for Residential Refuse Collection and Disposal Services with WERLOR, INC., and Authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to Execute Said Agreement

Motion to Approve Third and Final Reading of Ordinance 25-11-01	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Mayor Dave updated the council about his progress getting qualified to hold Mayor's Court. He had classes in Columbus the previous week and said that it was very informative. There are some points that he still needs to address in order to gain clarity. He will finish his studies and follow-up on questions he still has, but he did obtain the certificate.

A. Buchhop asked about the homes with nuisance violations. T. Vance said that after speaking with one of the property owners, he would discuss with Zoning Inspector Montez about following up and advising the owner how to address the violations. These violations need to be outlined in specific detail so they can be handled properly. Once G. Montez speaks with the property owner, there should be a thirty-day notice given for the issues to be remedied or immediate further action will be pursued.

NEW BUSINESS

Sherwood Council Meetings Scheduling

S. Rohrs asked that the July meeting be rescheduled because he will be on vacation.

The March meeting should be moved because S. Ramey and F. Escalera will both be in Columbus for the Auditor’s Conference.

S. Ramey will not be present for the meeting in April if it stays on the third Wednesday.

The March meeting will be on March 11th. The April meeting will be on April 22nd. The July meeting will be on July 22nd. The rest of the meetings in 2026 will be held on the third Wednesday of the month.

CITIZENS

Luke and Levi Kuhn showed the council the plans for the new dugouts at Moat’s Park. The council were very pleased with the design. When asked if there were any questions, S. Rohrs asked about how dark it would be in the dugouts during night games. Levi said that they had spoken with electricians about getting power in the dugouts for fans, so lights shouldn’t be an issue. A. Buchhop asked about perhaps having clear panels in the roofs, like some barns have. Levi said that lights inside would probably be better and mentioned having lights on the outside of the dugouts as well.

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

RESOLUTION- 26-01-01-A Resolution for the Transfer of Funds from the General Fund into the Fire and Rescue Fund

Motion to Accept Resolution 26-01-01	A. Buchhop
Seconded	J. Vogelsong
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y

RESOLUTION 26-01-02 A Resolution of the Sherwood Village of Defiance County, of Ohio, Supporting the Ohio Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial (America250-OH)

Motion to Accept Resolution 26-01-02	A. Buchhop
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y

S. Ramey told the council that two need to be appointed as designees. She recommended the two individuals be the same as those on the Sherwood Economic Development Board which would be Luke Kuhn and Brian Ramey.

RESOLUTION 26-01-03 A Resolution to Allow the Use of an “Employee Dishonesty and Faithful Performance of Duty” Coverage

Motion to Accept Resolution 26-01-03	M. Sudholtz
Seconded	J. Hohenberger
Alex Buchhop	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y

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ORDINANCE 26-01-01 An Ordinance to Make Permanent Appropriation for the Current Years Expenses and other Expenditures of the Village of Sherwood

Motion to Accept Ordinance 26-01-01 as an Emergency	R. Valle
Seconded	A. Buchhop
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y

ORDINANCE 26-01-02- An Ordinance granting Franchise to Ohio Power Company, its successors and assigns, the right to acquire, construct, maintain, and operate in the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, bridges, and public places of the Village of Sherwood, State of Ohio, and its successors, lines for the transmission and distribution of electric energy to the Village of Sherwood, State of Ohio, and the inhabitants thereof for light, heat, power, and other purposes, and for the transmission and distribution of the same within, through, or across said Village of Sherwood, State of Ohio.

Motion to Accept Resolution 26-01-02 as an Emergency	S. Rohrs
Seconded	R. Valle
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y

ORDINANCE 26-01-03 An Ordinance Providing for the Receipt of Adult Use Cannabis Tax Revenue Funds

S. Ramey told the council that the amount up for receipt is \$49,967.79 which was received on January 7, 2026 and reflects tax revenue from August 2024 through November 2025

Motion to Accept Ordinance 26-01-03	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Mayor Dave gave short state of the Village statement recognizing the achievements of the Village's business and community. He spoke of the many future goals that are in the works for the Village as well.

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn	J. Vogelsong
Seconded	R. Valle
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y


Faye Escalera, Utility Billing Clerk


David M. Weaner, Mayor

