

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SHERWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL
MARCH 11, 2026**

The Council for the Village of Sherwood met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, in the Community Room. Mayor Dave Weaner called the meeting to order. Council Members Jim Hohenberger, Robert Valle, Scott Rohrs, Mike Sudholtz, and Alex Buchhop were present; Administrator/Fiscal Officer Sherri Ramey, Billing Clerk Faye Escalera, Water/Sewer Superintendent Jeff Hurtig, Sergeant Austin Little, Solicitor Taylor Vance, and Beth Krouse from the Crescent News were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Previous Meeting minutes

Motion to Approve the Minutes	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	A. Buchhop
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y

Financial Reports

Motion to Accept the Financial Reports	M. Sudholtz
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

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

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Sergeant Austin Little presented the Sheriff's Report to the council. He said there were many business checks on the third shift, two medical squad runs, a gas leak complaint, one crash in the village, one citation, and two additional traffic stops. There was one warrant served inside the village. He asked if there have been any issues with dirt bikes or things of that nature. M. Sudholtz said that he did see a boy riding a dirt bike on the sidewalk with his baseball uniform on, heading towards the park. Sgt. Little said that if it were not on the road, the sheriff's department typically would not do anything about that and asked the council if they would like them to. If it becomes a problem, the sheriff's department will be notified at that time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Utility Committee Meeting-

The discussion was regarding the new Werlor contract. It was decided to keep the account balance of \$100 as the shut-off notice limit. The eligibility for vacant status would be set at ten gallons or less for three billing cycles. There is no opt-out if a resident chooses to have commercial dumpsters and no discount for vacation. Extra trash carts will cost \$16.50 per month for a 65-gallon trash cart and \$18.50 per month for a 95-gallon trash cart. Werlor charges \$2.25 for an extra bag tag. They sell them in bulk with a minimum of five hundred tags. At this time, the village will not be dispensing tags for extra bags.

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Motion to Approve the Utility Committee's Recommendations	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	A. Buchhop
Robert Valle	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y

FIRE/ EMS

Hicksville is using one of Sherwood's rescue units for a while. Theirs is undergoing extensive repairs.

ADMINSTRATOR'S REPORT

LAND/BUILDINGS

Retention Pond

It is holding a lot of water and does not seem to be draining much. Water is up over the banks and with the soft ground there is not a way to have anyone come to assess the issue. J. Hurtig said that the retention pond is draining through people's properties and hitting the last catch basin on the southwest corner of Barbara Lane. He does not think the water level will go higher than it is right now. The drainage that runs towards St. Rt. 18 is clogged. It has been jetted, but he will need to reach out to Northwest Septic to find out how far they ran the jetter in. He thinks the long-term fix would involve finding out where the line goes precisely, getting permission from who owns the property, then dig down every three hundred feet and put in a catch basin so there is access to make it jettable. S. Rohrs asked if it could be unclogged for now and catch basins put in later. J. Hurtig said he does not know because it is unknown how far it was initially jetted.

Stone Lot

Mickey Schwarzbek and Rick Rosterfor approached S. Ramey asking if the village would want to move the stone lot to SMTA's property by the railroad bed on Lawrence St. This would allow more room for the trucks to maneuver when the bring in stone.

Motion to Move the Stone Lot	M. Sudholtz
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Robert Valle	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

PARKS

Moat's Park

Ball Fields

There have been \$82,349.00 in donations given so far. \$10,000.00 went towards the purchase of land, \$27,128.64 (\$6,782.16 each) went for the dugouts, \$34,871.50 (paid \$17,435.75 deposit) for the fences, and eight twelve-foot metal benches. \$8,348.86 now remains for other improvements. The application for a Capital Grant has been turned in with the additional updates.

Memorial Park

Dave Brown came to the Village Hall yesterday to discuss getting new bricks for the pathway. He will be giving the Village a quote for them and suggest limiting the amount to fifty new bricks. He will get the same identical bricks as what is there already. The message will be limited to three lines and a heart or cross can be included, similar to what is there now. No logos or special designs will be allowed. The ordering will be open for two months. As a fundraiser, the cost will reflect a donation towards the improvements.

The Great American Cleanup Date will be Saturday, May 2nd from 10a-12a. The Defiance County Environmental Services can provide us with supplies, such as litter grabbers, gloves, and garbage bags.

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STREETS

There are issues on S. Harrison Street. While waiting on the S. Harrison St. Project to happen, S. Ramey has reached out to engineers asking for options on how to handle the issues.

EQUIPMENT

F550

A Derringer system inline tuner was ordered at the cost of \$740.10. This will allow J. Hurtig to diagnose codes to prevent issues.

Challenger

A 2026 Polaris Ranger will be purchased for \$12,650. Necessary additions include a top for \$500, a window shield for \$130, and turn signals for \$170 which will bring the total cost to \$13,450. This has been on the equipment replacement schedule and budgeted for as all equipment is.

The 2016 Challenger will be auctioned on eBay with a minimum build of \$2,000.

WATER & SEWER

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

Water Meters

At no time should a resident be messing with the meter pits. When they do, it is obvious to notice as it rounds the bolts and makes it hard for the actual tool to fit. They cannot close it correctly, which can cause it to freeze. The village has a fine set at \$300 for meter tampering.

This fine was set in 2019 and will need to be reevaluated as cost to replace has changed. The council stated that it should be amended in the Utility Billing Policy to reflect the cost of replacement, labor, and an administrative fee of 20%.

MISCELLANEOUS

Goliath has started the tree removal and were informed there is one additional tree that will need removed.

Some residents were confused about the village currently having two websites. Both websites are being maintained at this time and have all up-to-date information.

All residents have been signed up to receive REACH alerts. If they do not receive them, it is because they have Opted Out. It is used to most often inform residents of a shut-off notice, and less frequently to inform residents of changes such as the refuse.

The Sheriff's Office had to be called. A resident had left ten messages from 5pm to 7:30am with each one becoming more aggressive and threatening. The sheriff's department informed them that they are not permitted to call the Village Office for anything other than to pay their utility bill.

The council will decide at a later date if there will still be a Big Village Clean-up Day. If they do decide to still have the Big Village Clean-up Day, some changes could be considered. Changes such as reducing it from four to three hours, having only three dumpsters, and limiting residents to one drop off during the first two hours. The last hour should be on a first come, first serve basis until the dumpsters are full or the hour is over.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Save the Dates:

Sherwood Fire Department is putting on an Easter Egg Hunt at 1pm on Saturday, March 28th at Moat's Park.

The "WingThing" will be held on Saturday, July 25th, and Saturday, August 1st will be the date for the "SchwingThing" softball tournament.

The Village Office will be closed Wednesday, March 18 through Friday, March 20 as S. Ramey, F. Escalera, and D. Weaner will be attending the Auditor's Conference in Columbus.

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OLD BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 26-02-01- SETTING RATES FOR EMS RUNS

Motion to Accept the Second Reading of R-26-02-01	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	A. Buchhop
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y

Once S. Ramey receives the in-lay design for the library windows, she will submit it to Bryce Steiner.

New Business

ORDINANCE 26-03-01- APPROVING, ADOPTING, AND ENACTING AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING'S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2026 EDITION

Motion to Accept O-26-03-01 as an Emergency	M. Sudholtz
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

ORDINANCE 26-03-02- AMENDING APPROPRIATION FOR 2026

Motion to Accept O-26-03-02 as an Emergency	A. Buchhop
Seconded	R. Valle
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y

RESOLUTION 26-03-01- TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND TO REFUSE FUND


Motion to Accept R-26-03-01 as an Emergency	A. Buchhop
Seconded	R. Valle
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn	A. Buchhop
Seconded	M. Sudholtz
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y



Faye Escalera, Utility Billing Clerk



David M. Weaner, Mayor