

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Mt. Orab Village Council Meeting

Held **AUGUST 4 2026**

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Ogden called the regular council meeting to order with a roll call vote of the following members present: Anna Howell, Aaron Carnahan, Eric Lang, Carl Vineyard, Zane Cordrey, John Waits.

MINUTES

Councilman Waits moved to approve the minutes for the July 14, 2026 council meeting as presented. Councilman Cordrey seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Cordrey Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Councilman Waits moved to approve the minutes for the July 23, 2026 special council meeting as presented. Councilman Cordrey seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Cordrey Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

VISITORS

The following approached council on a variety of subjects:

Rich Dyer and Dave Long – A veterans memorial to honor veterans throughout Brown County. Fundraising may include commemorative bricks. The Lunsford Park would be a potential location. Banners of individual veterans to be displayed in the village was also discussed.

Kandy Bullis – Village audit, live-streaming the committee meetings, website updates and aging water infrastructure.

Ronald Hamilton – Proposed data center

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Discussion was held concerning the proposed Memorandum of Agreement with the Southwest Ohio Regional Development Authority. It was noted that the document has not yet undergone a complete legal review.

NAMING OF THE COMMUNITY PLAYGROUND

Councilman Vineyard made a motion to name the playground the Sean Meyer Community Playground. Seconded by Councilman Lang.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Cordrey Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

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ORDINANCE #1349 EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY ZONING CODE MORATORIUM ENACTED THROUGH ORDINANCE#1339 FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE-HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS

was given its second reading by Councilman Waits.

POLICE DEPARTMENT SURPLUS

Councilman Cordrey moved to declare the following items surplus and be sold through GovDeals.

13 Safariland 6390RDS-6832 Holsters

1 Safariland 7390-832 Holster

Councilman Waits seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Cordrey Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Cordrey moved to enter executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(8) to consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, provided that both of the following conditions apply: The information is directly related to a request for economic development assistance that is to be provided or administered under any provision of Chapter 715.,725.,1724.,or1728.or sections 701.07,3735.67 t3735.70,5709.40 to 5709.43,5709.61 to 5709.69,5709.73 to 5709.75,or5709.77 to 5709.81 of the Ohio Revised Code, or that involves public infrastructure improvements or the extension of utility services that are directly related to an economic development project. A unanimous quorum of the public body determines, by a roll call vote, that the session is necessary to protect the interests of the applicant or the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project.

Councilman Waits seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Cordrey Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Council entered executive session at 7:34 p.m.

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RECONVENE MEETING

Councilman Waits moved to reconvene the council meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Seconded by Councilman Cordrey.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Cordrey Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

LAKE GRANT BOAT LAUNCH

Councilwoman Howell inquired about the issue raised regarding the Lake Grant Boat Launch facility being in disrepair. The individual was referred to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources who owns and should maintain the facility.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Councilman Cordrey moved to pay the bills as presented. Councilman Carnahan seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Cordrey Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Councilman Cordrey moved to adjourn. Councilwoman Howell seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Cordrey Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



Interim Fiscal Officer



Mayor

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Village of Mt. Orab – Council Meeting Notes August 18th, 2026~~

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

- Mayor Ogden called the regular council meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Roll Call

Present:

- Anna Howell
- Aaron Carnahan
- Eric Lang
- Carl Vineyard
- John Waits

Approval of Minutes

Councilman Vineyard moved to approve the minutes for the August 4, 2026 council meeting as presented. Councilman Carnahan seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Visitors

Jessica Baker addressed council with extensive concerns regarding the High-Tech Overlay District and the potential for hyperscale data centers within the Village.

Jessica Baker stated she had submitted a records request on August 4 but received no confirmation. They mayor acknowledged; request had been sent to the solicitor.

Police Department Report – Chief Hahn

Life-Saving Award Presentation

Chief Han presented the Life-Saving Award to Officer Jeremy Nay.

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Personnel Updates

Officer Bryan Stephens reached 4 years full-time service on August 15, 2026. Chief Hahn requested that he be moved from a Tier I to Tier II pay scale retroactive to his anniversary date.

Councilman Vineyard moved to approve Officer Bryan Stephens moving from Tier I to Tier II pay scale retroactive to his anniversary date. Councilwoman Howell seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Officer Sean Waddle reached 4 years full-time service on August 15, 2026. Chief Hahn requested that he be moved from a Tier I to Tier II pay scale retroactive to his anniversary date.

Councilman Vineyard moved to approve Officer Sean Waddle moving from Tier I to Tier II pay scale retroactive to his anniversary date. Councilwoman Howell seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Officer John Fetters submitted his letter of resignation to retire effective immediately.

Councilman Vineyard moved to accept the resignation of John Fetters effective immediately. Councilwoman Howell seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Council Resignation

Council member Zane Cordrey resigned effective Sunday, August 16th at 10:59 AM.

Councilman Waits moved to accept the resignation of Zane Cordrey effective immediately. Councilman Carnahan seconded the motion.

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A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Five residents expressed interest in filling the vacant seat.

Council will discuss the appointment at the September 1st meeting.

**ORDINANCE #1349 EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY ZONING CODE MORATORIUM
ENACTED THROUGH ORDINANCE#1339 FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE-HUNDRED
EIGHTY DAYS THIRD READING**

Councilman Waits moved to accept Ordinance #1349 extending the temporary zoning code moratorium enacted through Ordinance #1339. Councilwoman Howell seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #1350 ACCEPTING A STREET DEDICATION (SENNET WAY)

Ordinance #1350 was given its first reading by Councilman Waits.

Replat

Replat of two small lots into one for deed correction due to remarriage of property owner.

Councilman Waits moved to approve the replat. Councilman Vineyard seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Executive Session

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Councilman Vineyard seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Council entered executive session at 7:26 p.m.

Reconvene Meeting

Councilman Waits moved to reconvene the council meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Seconded by Councilwoman Howell.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Playground Removal

Only interested party for removal of old playground equipment is Sardinia Church of Christ.

Church offered to: Remove equipment, assume full liability, and cover all costs.

Council agreed to proceed.

Solicitor will prepare a formal agreement.

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Agenda Amendment

Councilman Vineyard moved to amend the agenda to discuss brush removal due to storm damage.

Seconded by Councilwoman Howell.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Storm Response & Brush Cleanup

Contractor is behind schedule; completion this week deemed unrealistic.

Councilman Vineyard moved to assign one or two village employees to assist contractor until cleanup is complete if necessary.

Seconded by Councilwoman Howell.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills

Councilman Waits moved to pay the bills as presented. Councilwoman Howell seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Councilwoman Howell moved to adjourn. Councilman Waits seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.



Fiscal Officer



Mayor

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Village of Mt. Orab – Special Council Meeting Notes August 27th, 2026~~

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

- Mayor Ogden called the special council meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Roll Call

Present:

- Anna Howell
- Aaron Carnahan
- Eric Lang
- Carl Vineyard
- John Waits

Wave Three Reading Rule and Declare an Emergency

Resolution #879 has to pass prior to the end of the month.

Councilman Vineyard moved wave three reading rule and declared an emergency.
Councilman Carnahan seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #879 – RESURFACING OF US 68

The resolution is needed to get the bid process started so that the project is not delayed.

Councilman Waits moved to adopt Resolution #879. Councilman Vineyard seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.

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Adjourn

Councilwoman Howell moved to adjourn. Councilman Carnahan seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was administered by Mayor Ogden. Howell Yea, Carnahan Yea, Lang Yea, Vineyard Yea, Waits Yea. Motion carried.



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