

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Mt. Orab Village Council Meeting

Held

Village of Mt. Orab – Council Meeting Notes October 6, 2026

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

- Mayor Ogden called the regular council meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call

Present:

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

Approval of Minutes

Councilman Vineyard moved to approve the minutes for the September 15, 2026 council meeting as presented. Councilman Waits seconded the motion.

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

Visitors

Kandy Bullis addressed Council regarding concerns related to proposed data center developments, specifically requesting health impact studies and expressing concerns about potential noise impacts.

Joe McGrath addressed Council regarding concerns related to HH Wood Fiber, as well as data center concerns. Joe also inquired about the Village administrator position update.

Fire Department Agenda – Fire Chief Rymer

Jacob Barber Promotion

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Fire Chief Rymer asked the Council to accept Jacob Barber's promotion to fill the full-time Lieutenant position effective October 12, 2026 at \$26.75 per hour.

Councilman Vineyard moved to accept the promotion to full-time Lieutenant of Jacob Barber effective October 12, 2026 at a rate of \$26.75. Councilman Lang seconded the motion.

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

Ordinance 1352 – Requirement for Standpipe Systems in New Construction

The first reading of Ordinance 1352 was read by John Waits.

Police Department Agenda – Chief Hahn

Sawyer Dockery (Rammel) termination 09/28/26

Chief Han informed Council of the termination of Sawyer Dockery (Rammel) effective 09/28/26.

Surplus Vehicle

Chief Han asked the Council to declare a 2008 GMC Sierra Truck surplus.

Councilwoman Howell moved to declare the 2008 GMC Sierra Truck surplus. Councilman Vineyard seconded the motion.

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

Finance Agenda – CFO Mays

Fund 2081 Name Change

CFO Mays presented the need to change the name of Fund 2081 (Drug Law Enforcement Fund) to Law Enforcement Trust Fund per the request of the State Auditors.

Councilman Carnahan moved to update the name of Fund 2081. Councilman Waits 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, Peters Yea. Motion carried.

Technology Information Security Policy

CFO Mays presented the need to adopt the Technology Information Security Policy at the request of the State Auditors.

Councilman Lang moved to adopt the Technology Information Security Policy. Councilman Peters seconded the motion.

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

Ordinance 1353 – Interest

CFO Mays presented Ordinance No. 1353, explaining the need to establish procedures for the allocation and posting of interest earnings.

Councilman Waits moved to suspend the requirement for three readings and declare the ordinance an emergency due to its financial nature. Councilman Lang seconded the motion.

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

Councilwoman Howell moved to approve Ordinance #1353. Councilman Peters seconded the motion.

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

Solicitor Agenda – Solicitor Moore

ORDINANCE #1354 Charter

Ordinance #1354 was given its first reading by Solicitor Moore.

ORDINANCE #1355 Child Protection

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Resolution 881 – Uniform Holidays and Street Department Hours

Solicitor Moore brought Resolution 881 for approval to give employees uniform holidays and establish the Street Department hours.

Councilman Waits moved to approve Resolution 881. Councilman Lang seconded the motion.

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

Resolution 882 – 68 Paving Project

Solicitor Moore brought Resolution 882 for approval of the final contract amount of the 68 Paving Project in the amount of \$88,100.00.

Councilman Lang moved to approve Resolution 882. Councilman Waits seconded the motion.

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

Mayor's Agenda

Farley Lane

Mayor Ogden addressed a discrepancy regarding the naming of Farley Lane and requested that the official record reflect the street name as displayed on the existing street sign, "Farley Lane."

Councilman Waits moved to retain the street name as Farley Lane. Councilman Carnahan seconded the motion.

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

Set Public Hearing - Zoning Change

Planning Commission recommended rezoning: **107, 117, 201, 203 West Main Street** From **R-2 Residential** to **Neighborhood Business**.

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Public Hearing Set for November 17, 2026 at 6:00 PM prior to the Regular Council Meeting.

Resolution 883 – Fair Week

Mayor Ogden requested the Solicitor Moore update the Resolution to address at the next council meeting.

Solar Panels

Council agreed that the SORTA member may research floating solar panels on the Village's reservoir.

Executive Session

Councilman Waits 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.

Councilwoman Howell seconded the motion.

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

Council entered executive session at 8:08 p.m.

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Reconvene Meeting

Councilman Waits moved to reconvene the council meeting at 8:58 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, Peters Yea. Motion carried.

Council Discussion

Topics included: Request for quotes to seal basketball courts, parking lots and walking paths. Update on Economic Development such as Mount Orab Pointe. Potential Committee Updates during future Council Discussions.

Payment of Bills

Councilman Waits 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, Waits Yea, Peters Yea. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Councilman Waits moved to adjourn. Councilman Vineyard seconded the motion.

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



Fiscal Officer



Mayor