

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Held

The regular meeting of the Williamsburg Village Council was held on Thursday October 9, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Center -107 West Main Street, Williamsburg, Clermont County, Ohio.

Mayor Weaver called the regular meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR: Jim Weaver **VICE-MAYOR:** Tim Wood; **COUNCIL MEMBERS:** Katie King, Randy Mercer and Jacob Simpson. Mark Herren and John Pope were absent. **POLICE:** Chief Herren **FIRE/EMS:** Chief McCarthy **CLERK/TREASURER:** Lori Pegg; **PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR:** Kyle Cribbet. **ADMINISTRATOR:** Andrew Gephardt was absent **SOLICITOR:** Chris Moore

AUDIENCE: Liz Betemps, Lisa Gonzalez, Thomas Osborn, Danny Muell, TJ Delaney

PUBLIC HEARING: Mr. Weaver opened up the public hearing regarding an amendment to the zoning code regarding camping and the parking of campers in the Village. Tom Osborn asked which parts of the Village this applied to and was informed that it was the entire Village. There being no other questions or comments and the Public Hearing was closed.

AUDIENCE STATEMENTS: Liz Betemps shared a draft image of the America 250 Mural at the Library, painting will begin the week of October 20th and should be completed by early November. She also shared that the County Visitor's Bureau has created a *Passport to the Past* to encourage people to visit the many museums in Clermont County. More information can be found at www.discoverclermont.com.

Lisa Gonzalez presented an application from the Christmas Walk Committee to close Main Street on December 5th.

Danny Muell discussed the upcoming mental health levy renewal from the Clermont County Mental Health & Recovery Board. This renewal will create no new taxes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Mercer made a motion to approve regular council minutes from the September 7, 2025, meeting, Ms. King seconded and all present voted "YEA." Mr. Simpson abstained.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Court Costs for September 2025 were \$2121, Computer Fund \$220, Revenue from fines was \$2745. Total to the Village was \$5489 and the total to the State was \$590. Total Revenue minus Miscellaneous Fees was \$6289. Mr. Mercer made a motion to accept the Mayors Court Report, seconded by Ms. King and all present voted "YEA."

Halloween Trick or Treat will be held from 6-8pm on October 31st in the Village

The traffic impact study for the new elementary school (Item C) mentions a left turn lane on Main Street onto Broadway. This is not recommended at this time but if ever necessary would require curb changes and the loss of several parking spaces on the hill leading to Broadway.

SOLICITOR

Solicitor Moore noted that the chair factory is cleaned up with all noted debris hauled away. He recommends Executive Session relevant to 121.22 (G)(3) at the end of the meeting.

He also recommends Executive Session at the end of the meeting to discuss personnel relevant to 121.22 (G)(1).

Solicitor Moore presented a draft cybersecurity policy for Council to review. ORC 9.64 is now requiring Ohio local governments to create and maintain formal cybersecurity programs.

He noted that the annual Haunted Woods is coming up and after discussing with the Police Chief recommends approaching them regarding retaining a detail officer during the weekend events.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Herren gave an update on calls for service from the Police Department. There were 257 calls for service in September, there were 229 offense reports, 2 criminal arrests, 23 traffic citations, 33 traffic warnings, 5 traffic accidents, 5 property damage reports and the k9 was deployed 3 times.

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FIRE & EMS REPORT:

Chief McCarthy reported 14 of their 48 fire runs and 39 of their 98 EMS runs for September were in the Village. The Department reports they have attended the home football games and helped the Garden Club position the scarecrows on Main Street.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Mr. Cribbett reports brush pickup is finishing up for the year and are transitioning into leaf pickup. Arm mowing has been completed for the season. Sewer relining has also been completed from halfway up the block on gay street from the railroad tracks to 8th Street and on N High Street

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Mr. Gephardt was absent attending the OML Annual Conference.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

PARKS COMMITTEE: Met with a local disc golfing group regarding grants and ways to improve our disc golf course.

UTILITIES COMMITTEE: Met regarding several water bill adjustments

Other Committees did not meet.

CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT:

Ms. Pegg presented the financial reports for September 2025. Mrs. King made a motion to approve the reports, seconded by Vice-Mayor Wood. All present voted "AYE".

Ms. Pegg presented the Utility Funds Snapshot Report.

Ms. Pegg presented the Income Tax Report for Period 9. Mr. Mercer made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Mr. Simpson and all voted "AYE".

Ms. Pegg read Ordinance 1245-25, Zoning Code Amendment: Re: Parking of Vehicles, for the first time.

Vice-Mayor Wood made a motion to approve the payment of bills, seconded by Mr. Mercer and all present voted "YEA."

OLD BUSINESS:

- Sunesis Development – No Update
- Annexation "Taking a Toll On Us" - No Update
- State Audit awaiting report
- Chickens in the Village Ordinance – Council to Vote in November

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Mercer made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:40pm relative to ORC 121.22 (G8) to discuss economic development and 121.22 (G1) to discuss appointment or dismissal of a public employee or official, seconded by Vice-Mayor Wood and all voted "YEA."

Mr. Mercer made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:00pm, seconded by Vice Mayor Wood and all present Voted "YEA."

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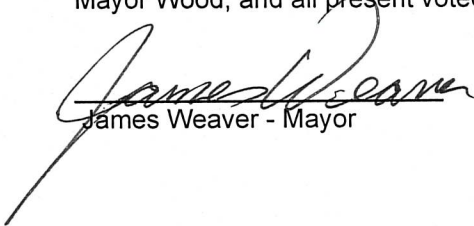
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ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Mercer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 pm, seconded by Vice-Mayor Wood, and all present voted "YEA".


James Weaver - Mayor


Lori Pegg-Interim Fiscal Officer

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