VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

11/10/2025

REGULAR SESSION

The Village of Frazeysburg Council convened in regular session from 6:00 p.m. to 7:27 p.m. at the Township Hall with ***Mayor Fred R. Wolford, Jr.*** presiding.

The reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance was led by ***Mayor Wolford.***

PRESENT:
EMPLOYEES*:* Sterling Coots, Josh Marohl, Fiscal Officer Grable, and Office Assistant Evans

VISITORS: Diane Wolford, Jeff Robison, Darrell Bragg

Roll call was made with the following members present:

- ✓ SMITH
- ✓ REISINGER
- ✓ LAUGHTON
- ✓ HINDEL
- ✓ ROSS

Absent: NONE

- Guest Speaker Darrell Bragg from RD Energy was present to help answer any questions on aggregation as it had passed in the recent election. Mr. Bragg explained to Council the next steps that would be taken. He explained there had to be two meetings open to the public before the Village could accept it. He stated that mostly what RD Energy suggest doing is have two meetings in the same day one in the afternoon and one in the evening. Mr. Bragg will be at the meetings to answer any questions citizens may have. Council Member Reisinger explained that he would like the meetings to be on a Saturday as most citizens work. Mr. Bragg stated that could be done if that is what Council would like to do. It was explained that at the end citizens would be mailed a letter giving them an opportunity to opt out if they would like. Citizens may opt out at any time with no added fee. Mr. Bragg did state that PIP (Percentage of Income Program) customers cannot participate in the program.

- Motion Laughton, Second Reisinger approving the minutes from **October 20, 2025** regular council meeting. **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

- Motion Reisinger, Second Laughton approving the minutes from **October 28, 2025** special council meeting. **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

- Motion Smith, Second Laughton approving the payment of bills for **November 10, 2025**. **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

Jeff Robison was present at the meeting; he had spoken to the Mayor about the empty Council Seat and came to apply for it. Mr. Robison had applied for an open seat in December of 2024, that was filled by Pam Gayheart. Mr. Robison was the only citizen to apply for the open seat.

- **RESOLUTION 52-25** Motion Laughton, Second Reisinger suspending the rules on A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JEFF ROBISON TO FILL THE VACANT SEAT ON THE VILLAGE COUNCIL; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
  FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS
- Motion Laughton, Second Hindel adopting A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APOINTMENT OF JEFF ROBISON TO FILL THE VACANT SEAT ON THE VILLAGE COUNCIL; AND DECLARING AN EMERGECY
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Mayor's Court report: (as per ORC 905.033)

ENTITY	AMOUNT	MONTH
Village	$ 477.50	October
State	$ 204.00	October
Muskingum County Court	$ 6.00	October
Total paid out	$ 687.50	October
Computer fund	$ 50.00	October
Computer fund YTD	$ 1,210.00	October

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: (regular type from meeting**, bold from council discussion)**

Council Member Smith stated the committee was waiting on feedback from Solicitor Bennington on how to handle the overage from the HRA (Health Reimburse Agreement) since it had been set up wrong. Smith asked if the Council would want to have a special meeting to discuss what Solicitor Bennington finds out. Council Member Laughton asked if it was something that could wait until the next meeting so they would not have to do a special meeting. Fiscal Officer Grable stated that the HRA had been fixed to state what Council wanted it to say and went into effect October 20th, 2025. Council decided to just wait to discuss it at the December 8, 2025 meeting.

Board of Public Affairs:
10-28-2025

The Board met at the Village Office at 3:00 pm with the following present:

Mayor Wolford, Dave Ludinich, James Wriston, Kenny Jenkins, and Whitney Evans

The Board went over the minutes from the meeting in September.
Motion to approve: James Wriston

2nd: Dave Ludininch

The Board went over the monthly reports: Monthly reconciliation, and adjustments.

The Mayor explained the citizens' concerns of getting information on Valve Replacements in a timely manner and asked if the Board had any ideas on what the Village could do differently. The Mayor had recently spoken to someone from the EPA and even they said they did not know a solution. The Board stated the announcement of water shut offs had gotten better, but they did not have a solution.

Motion to adjourn: Dave Ludininch
2nd: Kenny Jenkins

Next meeting is scheduled for November 25, 2025 @3:00pm at the Village Office.

- Council discussed starting a Facebook page for Village news and making it so people could not post or comment on the page itself.

INCOME TAX: Nothing Received

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT: (the following info in regular type is the committees' notes, **the bold letters are what was discussed during the council meeting**)

- Making pool menu more simple. (less item)
- Pool manager for next year, KC knows a teacher that might be interested
- What was the pool manager's total pay last year?
- Talked about the meeting with ballfield users next month
- **Parks and Recs would like that take some items from the concession stand at the pool to lower ordering costs**
- **It was discussed to make the manager wage a salary so there would not be a major amount of overtime**
- **Mayor Wolford stated he felt there needs to be an assistant manager to cover when the manager cannot be there**
- **Fiscal Officer Grable stated that Lifeguard Bailey Rice would be a good one as she is very responsible**

- **Grable explained that Rice had spoken on the appeal for a worker's comp incident that had happened this summer**

SAFETY COMMITTEE:
Did not meet
Council Member Laughton and Mayor Wolford had looked at the intersection of First Street and Fraizer Alley as they were trying to figure out how to put stop signs up at the intersection.

ZONING REPORT: (the following info in regular type is the committees' notes, **the bold letters are what was discussed during the council meeting)**
Zoning is done until January but the County is working on getting the property on Second Street deeded over so it can be torn down

POLICE REPORT:

FIRE REPORT: NONE RECEIVED

EMS	**Fire**	**Misc**	**Total**
#	#	#	#
Village	**Jackson**	**Pike**	**Hanover**
#	#	#	#
Falls Twp. Mut Aid #	**Licking Twp. Mut Aid** #	**Mary Ann Mut Aid** #	**Tri-Valley Mut Aid** #

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Mayor Wolford explained that the paving for the Fire Department was supposed to be Tuesday November 11th but had been reschedules to Wednesday November 12th, 2025.

LEGISLATION:

FIRST READING:

- **ORDINANCE 20-25** AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS, DEFINING DUTIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION THEREOF

SECOND READING:

- **RESOLUTION 44-25** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF FRAZESYBURG TO ENTER INTO A FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL

SERVICES PROTECTION CONTRACT WITH THE FRAZEYSBURG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.

- **RESOLUTION 45-25** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF FIRE PREVENTION OFFICER FOR 2026

- **RESOLUTION 46-25** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REHIRING OF ELIASHA BOURNE AS POLICE CHIEF FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026

- **RESOLUTION 47-25** A RESOLUTION TO HIRE ATTORNEY TAYLOR BENNINGTON AS SOLICITOR FOR THE VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG FOR THE YEAR 2026

- **RESOLUTION 49-25** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH JACKSON TOWNSHIP, TO PROVIDE POLICE PROTECTION SERVICES FOR THE YEAR 2026

THIRD READING: NONE

NEW AND EMERGENCY:

- **Council was waiting on Solicitor Bennington to review and give them advice on how to handle the errors that had accrued so they tabled this Resolution to the next December 8th meeting.**
  RESOLUTION 43-25 A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT (HRA) WITH THE VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG THAT BEGAN OCTOBER 1, 2024 TO CLARIFY INFORMATION THAT WAS OUTLINED IN ERROR IN THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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- **ORDINANCE 23-25** Motion Laughton, Second Reisinger suspending the rules on AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE FIRST QUARTER TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2026; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY
  SIX (6) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS

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  SIX (6) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS

- **RESOLUTION 51-25** Motion Laughton, Second Reisinger suspending the rules on A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO APPLY FOR AN OHIO EPA PWS GRANT FOR EMERGENCY GENERATORS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
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- **DISCUSSION/COMMENTS and MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**:

- Tri- Valley Parcels at the Swimming Pool- Mayor Wolford explained that this was concerning the property at the Swimming Pool, he explained the schools owns half of the pickleball courts and the Village had been trying to work on an agreement with the school for some time now. There was a fifty (50) year agreement but it had ended, the schools attorney contacted Solicitor Bennington and they would like to rewrite the contract. It has now been discovered that the Villages Water Filling Sation is on school property. It was discussed how to respond to the school and decided to try to work with them.

- Mayor Wolford explained AEP would be replacing poles on Furnace Street and that he was concerned of how it would work with it being a one-way street but AEP seemed to have a good idea of how to divert traffic.

- Council Member Robison stated there was a major pot hole on Post Office Alley that needed to be fixed.

- **VISITOR COMMENT:**

Motion Reisinger, Second Hindel to adjourn at 7:27 p.m., until December 8th, 2025, at 6 p.m. at the Township Hall, located at the corner of Second Street and State Street in Frazeysburg, Ohio. **SIX (6) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

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Mrs. KC Smith

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Ms. Carol Ross

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Mr. Kurt Laughton

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Mr. Emmett Reisinger

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Mr. Paul Hindel

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Mr. Jeff Robison

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Mayor Fred R. Wolford, Jr.

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Fiscal Officer Natalie Stillion Grable

All formal actions of the Village of Frazeysburg concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised