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PROCEEDINGS

Lordstown Village Council Regular Meeting

(WHEREAS, the regular meeting before the Lordstown Village Council commenced on Monday, April 7, 2025, at 6:04 p.m. and proceedings were as follows:)

(Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag)

MAYOR WOODWARD: Roll call.
MR. BLANK: Mayor Woodward?
MAYOR WOODWARD: Here.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Here.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Here.
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
MS. BLANK: Here.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
MR. BOWEN: Here.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Here.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
MR. MOSELEY: Here.
MR. BLANK: Clerk Blank, present.
Treasurer, George Ebling?
MR. EBLING: Here.
MR. BLANK: Solicitor Matt Ries?
SOLICITOR RIES: Present.
MR. BLANK: Police Chief Brent Milhoan?
CHIEF MILHOAN: Present.
MR. BLANK: Fire Chief Travis Eastham?
CHIEF EASTHAM: Present.
MR. BLANK: Planning and Zoning Administrator, Kellie Bordner?
MS. BORDNER: Present.
MR. BLANK: Street Commissioner, Martin Nelder?
MR. NELDER: Present.
MR. BLANK: Board of Public Affairs?
MR. PETERSON: Present.
MR. BLANK: Engineer, Chris Kogelnik?
MR. KOGELNIK: Present.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion for adoption of the agenda?
MR. LIMING: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.
MR. MOSELEY: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley. All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried.
Disposal of the minutes for the regular Council meeting
March 17, 2025. Is there a motion?
MR. SHEELY: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Sheely.
MR. MOSELEY: Second.

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MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there any discussion on those minutes?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
MR. BOND: Aye.
MS. BLANK: Aye.
MR. SHEELY: Aye.
MR. BOWEN: Aye.
MR. MOSELEY: Aye.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?
MR. LIMING: I abstain.

(VOTE: 5, AYE; 0, NAY; 1, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: All right. 5, ayes and 1 abstention. Motion is carried.
Is there a motion for payment of the bills?
MR. LIMING: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.
MS. BLANK: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Blank. Any questions or discussion on the bills?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried for payment of the bills.
I'm not sure if the Chief is going to say anything, but the Easter egg hunt is going to be Saturday, April 12 at 11:00 a.m. Sorry if you had that on your report.
CHIEF MILHOAN: That's okay.
MAYOR WOODWARD: And, also, I just wanted to let Council know I did speak to Senator Moreno's office about funding for the waterline project. I talked to Beth on Friday. She did send us a form to fill out, which I think Chris has agreed to do that. I'll just need approval so he can do that for us and participate in getting that done. I think it's due April 11—I said, Friday, right?
MR. KOGELNIK: Yes.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Is that April 11th? So, I wanted to get permission from Council to allow him to do that for us. It's the same form that was filled out for—
MR. KOGELNIK: Congressman Joyce.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Joyce's office. It's the same thing asking for the same thing just through a different avenue.
The other thing that I wanted to bring up later tonight, maybe we can discuss it at some point or now if you want. It's the creation of a personnel committee. It's been weighing on me a little bit that it would be nice to have a set personnel committee to be able to meet with. Just for personnel reasons. Things come up and then I'm asking people to help me with those things. It would be nice to have a set committee for that. I think Council rules would probably

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have to be changed to do that. But it would be all encompassing maybe for negotiations, too, so that it would be like a perpetual committee. Any thoughts on that?

MR. BOND: Well, I think anything could go directly from the committee, like, the Fire Department should go to the Fire Department so they can handle it. It shouldn't be just a catch all.

MAYOR WOODWARD: What if we have something that comes up for, you know, maybe we want something changed in the Clerk's office employees or something like that? Just a thought.

MR. BOND: The Clerk's office is an elected office, so you have to be a little bit careful.

MR. BLANK: Those are my employees.

SOLICITOR RIES: I mean, I guess if you have, you know—I think the Mayor suggested something like maybe a committee that would oversee sort of HR functions. Something along those lines.

MAYOR WOODWARD: That's kind of what I'm going for.

MR. BOND: That's what I thought. Make sure.

MS. BLANK: Would the committee meet with just the department head?

MAYOR WOODWARD: I mean, there really hasn't been anything—I don't know. I'm just going based off of things that have happened so far in the last year and just needing some Council support on some of the HR items. A sounding board or just something to help back up decisions or help me navigate some of these things.

MR. BLANK: Mayor, doesn't personnel fall under—or, Matt, I'm sorry. Isn't the Mayor over all the employees?

SOLICITOR RIES: Yes, by statute. But I think she's asking for—she would like some assistance so it's not just her. Is that correct?

MAYOR WOODWARD: Yeah, just to be able to have some extra help.

MR. BOWEN: I don't know if I see anything wrong with it, but maybe we just better define it and talk about this is what we're looking at. That way you can address all the questions that Bob had and Bill had.

MAYOR WOODWARD: So you want me to get something in writing.

MR. BOWEN: A little more defined.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay and bring it back.

MR. BOND: I think that would be good.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. All right. I will do that. All right that is all that I have. Is there a Clerk's report?

MR. BLANK: No report, Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Solicitor's report?

SOLICITOR RIES: Only report is with Clean Energy Future Trumbull. I have a telephone conference with their attorney at 11:30 tomorrow. There's been a lot of moving parts with them with Steve Remillard recently leaving and their primary contact from a legal standpoint leaving. So I'm going to get brought up to speed tomorrow, and I'd like to do maybe a bigger conference call with representatives from the Village and Trumbull Energy Future just to see—Clean Energy Future Trumbull just to see where we are with everything. So, I'll update everyone after my conference call.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Thank you. Does anybody have any questions for Matt?

(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Treasurer's report?

MR. EBLING: No report.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Any questions for George?

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(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Board of Trustees of Public Affairs report?

MR. PETERSON: Yes, Mayor. Our next meeting is next Tuesday, April 15th, at 4:00 p.m.

And we just ask for Council's support on the first two items of legislation.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Does anybody have any questions for Chris?

MS. BLANK: What time is the meeting? I'm sorry.

MR. PETERSON: 4:00.

MS. BLANK: Okay. I don't know why I thought you said 2:00.

MR. PETERSON: I'm sorry. I might have.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Village Engineer's report?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes, Mayor. The air release valve project along Salt Springs Road will be starting up here fairly shortly. Our contractor has been out on site, and he was exposing the existing waterline in a couple locations. I'm told he's able to basically confirm some of the existing conditions we're dealing with, which has been very good information. That's at the air release valve locations, the nine locations along the way. The parts for the meter vault were delivered today I'm told. So that work inside the meter vault will be April 22nd and 23rd, I believe. In my report to you on Paragraph 2, I have the 23rd and 24th. I think I need to make a change on that because the last page of my report has the 22nd and 23rd. So please make note of that.

Regarding the Trumbull Energy Center land development plan review, the Warren waterline, if Council or anybody has questions, specifically Lamar from Roads, please get them to me tomorrow or the next day. We have a progress meeting with Warren's Engineer, City of Warren, and the contractor on Thursday. If we can get your questions that crossing on Brunstetter by then, then we can get the answers.

We still don't have their plan on paper for Brunstetter to know how they're crossing. And we still don't have their plan on paper for Salt Springs Road to know how they're crossing. We all know we've talked about it enough. But we need that put on paper. So just make it clear to the City of Warren—and, Matt, if you could help out, that would be good—We cannot be hamstrung by them submitting something the day before these crossings occur and then expect the Village is going to render a decision. That's just simply not going to happen. And I've made it copiously clear to these people over the past two and a half months. Martin, myself and Darren have stated that.

We've got a couple authorizations and our retainer agreement that's on your agenda. I presume you'll be talking about that tonight.

Project funding in addition to the earmark request to Senator Moreno's office. One of the items in the BPA's authorizations was to submit for an ARC application for the Hallock-Young connector waterline project. So we're going to be doing that through the BPA.

That's all I really have right now. Does anybody have any questions for me?

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MAYOR WOODWARD: Chris, I'm going to back you up for a second because that is not on for legislation tonight. I think that needed to go through—

MR. BOND: Which—

MR. BLANK: His retainer. We were going to discuss it next Finance meeting.

MR. BOND: We're still working on it.

MAYOR WOODWARD: It hasn't passed.

MR. BLANK: There was a change made and it was all forwarded to everybody. Matt forwarded it. They haven't had a chance to look at it. We'll meet in Finance.

MR. KOGELNIK: Oh, I got ya. I didn't know it had to go through Finance. My apologies.

MR. BOND: I have a question, Chris.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah.

MR. BOND: On these road crossings, you say they haven't come up with a paper plan for it yet. The question I have—I want to bring Bill in on this—have they paid us the money for these air release valves yet?

MR. BLANK: No.

MR. BOND: That was due quite a while ago. Why are we jumping through all their hoops and they won't jump through ours?

MR. BLANK: Why are you asking me when he said their attorney quit and Steve Remillard quit. Ask Matt that question.

SOLICITOR RIES: That's the main reason we're having this telephone conference tomorrow. I can reach in and get them brought up to speed on why this hasn't been paid.

MAYOR WOODWARD: I was under the impression that—

MR. BOND: I can't see approving the other until we get some resolution on that.

MS. BLANK: I mean, it was brought up at the BPA meeting, though, that either the BPA or the Village might have to front some money for that, wasn't that?

MR. PETERSON: We discussed it.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Was that not decided, though, that the road would be open cut?

MR. BOND: It hasn't been approved by Council.

MR. LIMING: Yes, we approved open cut if they paid for the air release valves. And they have not paid for the air release valves.

MR. KOGELNIK: All I'm saying is it would be healthy and responsible for the Village to tell the City of Warren, "you have an approval to make; we have an approval to make. And we're not going to approve the crossings until the payment for the agreed to air release valves is made."

MR. BOND: That's fine that will be taken care of. It should have been paid months ago.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, but seriously, Martin, myself and Darren have been telling this to this group for about two and a half months. We still don't have anything on paper, but we've talked about it ad nauseam.

MR. LIMING: I thought we had something on Brunstetter.

MR. KOGELNIK: No, they changed it.

MR. LIMING: After what you sent me?

MR. PETERSON: Yep.

MR. LIMING: Oh, okay. I'm sorry.

MR. KOGELNIK: Supposedly—

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MR. LIMING: So we're back to square one.
MR. KOGELNIK: Supposedly, Lamar, there's all sorts of utilities at Brunstetter, if you can imagine that. I don't know how that's possible.
MR. LIMING: Right.
MR. KOGELNIK: But there's all these utilities that are causing conflict there. So they needed to change the way they wanted to cross and one of the methods was open cut. But we still don't have anything on paper that shows that. Sorry to take up so much time.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Good information. Does anybody have any questions for Chris?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Special reports. Police Chief Brent Milhoan?
CHIEF MILHOAN: Yes, Mayor. I don't know if I heard you correctly. Did you say the Easter egg hunt is the 11th?
MAYOR WOODWARD: April 12th at 11:00 a.m.
CHIEF MILHOAN: I heard 11. I wasn't sure if that was the date or the time. Just wanted to make sure you had the right date.
I've submitted my monthly report for March. If you have any questions, I'll try to answer them.
The only other thing I have, I'd like to read this so it's on the record. This letter was written on April 2nd. It's on Lordstown Police letterhead. It was written to BCI&I, which is a division of the Ohio Attorney General's office. It's addressed to Special Agent Supervisor Charles Moran and it says, "During the public comments portion of the Village Council meeting on March 17, 2025, a village resident accused the police department of corruption and even compared us to the mob.
I am requesting assistance from BCI&I regarding investigating the allegation of corruption within our police department. Respectfully, Brent B. Milhoan, Chief of Police." That's all I have.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Does anybody have any questions for Brent?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Fire Chief Travis Eastham?
CHIEF EASTHAM: No report tonight, Mayor. But I would like to ask for Council's approval for not to exceed \$3,000 for the park picnic in May. The Fire Association and what Kellie Bordner has raised with her basket raffle will be on top of that. And then not to exceed \$3,000 from Council.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. That's noted. Anybody have any questions for Travis?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Planning and Zoning Administrator, Kellie Bordner?
MS. BORDNER: We have a special Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, April 9, at 6 p.m. regarding a zone change request on a 40-plus acre parcel at the southeast end of Tod Avenue.
We also have a Board of Zoning Appeals hearing on Monday, April 14 at 5:30 p.m. regarding a property on Lyntz Road.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Does anybody have any questions for Kellie?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Parks, Grounds, Buildings, Street Superintendent Martin Nelder?

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MR. NELDER: Yes, Mayor. I have one thing. The Village received a scrap tire grant for \$3,442 from Geauga/Trumbull. I would like to hold it on June 10th through June 17th. And there's eight tires per household, per residence. They can drop them off at the Road Department by the salt dome.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay.

MR. LIMING: You need a motion for that?

MR. NELDER: I don't think.

MAYOR WOODWARD: You do.

MR. LIMING: Under new business, okay.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Does anybody have any questions for Martin? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
I was just curious, the exhaust fan in the Water Department building?

MR. NELDER: Yeah, the guys have started installing that. They got it all framed in and stuff we just had to get a day it wasn't raining to get the siding on on the outside.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay, so that's moving. The Veteran banners?

MR. NELDER: Yeah. I'm working on that with Cole Creations.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay.

MR. NELDER: And he's putting together what the flag is going to look like. He's going to send it to me so I can show—

MAYOR WOODWARD: We'll have something soon?

MR. NELDER: Yes. Hopefully in the next week, yep.

MAYOR WOODWARD: All right. Can you give us an update on the doors? What were we doing with the doors out here, the ADA?

MR. NELDER: Oh, yeah. I'm waiting on another quote for that. The other quote was like \$11,000.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay.

MR. NELDER: But, yeah, I was waiting on the other quotes to come in.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. very good.

MS. BLANK: \$11,000 for what? The door?

MR. NELDER: No, it's the—

MS. BLANK: The sensor?

MR. NELDER: —handicap accessible—

MAYOR WOODWARD: To have the doors open for ADA compliance.

MS. BLANK: Thanks, Martin.

MR. NELDER: You're welcome.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Does anybody else have questions for Martin? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Move on to correspondence.

MR. BLANK: Yes, we have one.

MAYOR WOODWARD: I have one, also. Can I go first?

MR. BLANK: You're the Mayor.
(Laughter.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: We'll start it with something positive.

MR. BLANK: All right.

MAYOR WOODWARD: I like positive. This letter is dated March 27, 2025. It is addressed to the Honorable Mayor Jacqueline Woodward. "We felt it necessary to write this letter to be read aloud at your next public meeting. On March 26, 2025, Police Chief Brent Milhoan came to our Wednesday soup supper we had during Lent to speak to our congregation about scams and how to protect ourselves from them. At our request, Chief Milhoan took time out of his schedule to provide us with information that not only will help us

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from being scammed, but gave us a better understanding of how some of these scam artists work, which also gave us a better peace of mind knowing how to prevent them and what to do if we think we may have been scammed.

Chief Milhoan also took the time to answer many questions we had about other safety issues. As helpful as Chief Milhoan was providing us with information, his presence reassured all of us what a great community we are a part of. The fact that the Police Chief made time to talk to us speaks volumes of the empathy he has to the people he serves. Please thank Chief Milhoan on behalf of the Lordstown Lutheran Church. Respectfully, the Congregation of the Lordstown Lutheran Church." Thank you, Chief. Next.

I have a letter from Judi Gensburg. It's dated April 7, 2025. To Lordstown Village Council. "Sorry I'm not in person to deliver this message. I have another obligation this evening. Upon receipt of the letter I received stating that you voted against my proposal concerning Ina Drive, I'm going to keep you informed of my further actions. No, I'm not giving up as you wish, and I'm not going away. But I thought it only fair for you to not be kept in the dark about the situation unlike the first time when the Mayor and the Solicitor did not keep you informed.

In talking with a lawyer last week just viewing the information that I had given you at the last two meetings, he established that we have definitely been wronged. Had this information been gotten into the first trial, we would not be in this situation at this time.

He informed me that it is too late for a mistrial, that a mistrial has to happen before a verdict. However, he said that I have two other options. One is to reopen the case with the evidence that was prohibited from entering in the first place. We need to talk to a judge. There is a time limit to do so but with Covid and my brain surgery in New York City and additional ongoing complications, there is a very good chance to proceed.

This process would be the most beneficial to me and the siblings because I could possibly recover all the money I put into this unnecessarily, over \$46,000. Plus add on the lawyer fees now proceeding and the addition of trespassing penalties.

Our second option would be to start a new trial for the \$4,660 reimbursement of the turnaround. In addition, in proceeding with this procedure, all of the lawyer fees and penalties would be added to the \$4,660. Either option would cost you more once I started proceeding forward. Either way I am going forward. You still have a chance to settle before I proceed. I am on hold with counseling for a couple weeks. You need to reconsider your thinking for I am sure you'll be putting more than what I'm asking into another round of lawyer fees.

Do not listen to the untrue advice you have been given. This piece of property was not put into Probate and then taken out again. It was never taken out until Attorney Newman started helping me with additional proceedings. That is when he discovered that this property in question was still in Probate.

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The Village claimed the ownership of our property in 2016, and this property was still in Probate until 2017. Every bit of information I have given you is 100 percent the truth. I have given you proof to back everything up. No false claims here nor made up stories. I have been asked what if I spend more money and lose the case again? Rest assured, that if I proceed, I will be sure of winning, especially with all the evidence to come forth. I have options to chose from. The real question is if I win, are you ready to fork out a lot of money to compensate us for the monies I've previously spent and for all my additional fees and stress?

The simple solution would be to have another executive meeting and reconsider our offer. Pay the \$4,660 and both of us are free of extra work and fees. We can then call it settled.

Mr. Bond, as Chair Councilman, I will be awaiting a call from you. Sincerely, Judi Gensburg."

MAYOR WOODWARD:

Any comments or discussion?

MR. BOND:

Well, sounds like threatened litigation. Probably ought to meet on that in executive session.

SOLICITOR RIES:

That would fit within the exception.

MAYOR WOODWARD:

We will put that under new business.

Public remarks? Go ahead. Come on up to the microphone. State your name and address for us.

MS. PERRINO:

My name is Lisa Perrino. I live at 4721 Tod Avenue, SW., Lordstown, Ohio. I've been a resident out here 45 years ago I built my house. I worked 40 years at General Motors. I'm also a nurse. I don't carry weapons. I don't do drugs. I've never been arrested. Don't have a record. Never threatened anybody. I don't do that. But I got a call today a little after 3:00 from the Police Department. And I'd like to give you a little history. I'm 79 years old. I've had two major heart attacks called the widow maker. I'm right now in sudden death. I could die any minute, and that's all right with me. But I am so fed up with Milhoan and that Police Department. I can't stand it anymore. If you go in there with a legitimate reason, you're made to feel ashamed. I was ashamed every time I've had to walk in there and ask for help. It's like call the police because she's going to shoot somebody. I'm sick of it. I don't need him. I don't need his police officers calling me telling me that I cannot call a business in this town and ask a question. If we have a problem with that, we'll deal with an attorney.

Number one, I have every right under the First and Fourth Amendment to call a business and ask about it. There was an ad in the paper. I called the Smoke Shop and I asked is CBD a derivative of marijuana and the girl said yes, and we talked for about five minutes. And I said are you the owner? She said, no, I'm not. I said could you tell me who the owner is? She said Vinny. I said can I speak to him? She said he's not here. I said when will he be here? She said tomorrow. I said then I'll come in and speak with him. This is Friday. Saturday I did not. I was at the heart doctors.

Now, not one, not two, not three police officers. I was so honored to have three or four on the phone. I don't even

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know how many and I don't care. But, you know what? You're not going to take my right away as a citizen in this town to question a business.

We want a healthy, beautiful community. We don't have doctors. We don't have lawyers. We don't have Indian chiefs. We don't have grocery stores. We don't have a bank. We don't have anything anymore. But, boy, that smoke shop came out of the ground, boy. We didn't even know it was coming.

I don't like hemp. I've never tried it. But I don't want that environment in this town because it leads to unsavory characters and it leads to other problems. Now, if you can't see that, you have a problem. Because now, after speaking with the commissioner, you know what can follow? What, marijuana dispensaries? What, massage parlors? What's coming next? Why don't you try a little harder to get good businesses in here and leave a 79-year-old woman that don't threaten anybody because I made a phone call.

And the next time you tell me if I call somebody, I'm going to be whatever it is you're going to do to me, tie me up, shoot me, you're looking at the wrong person. You're not going to frighten me and you're not going to intimidate me. If I don't like something out here, I'm going to say it. I'm going to say it to your face or anybody else's. If I'm wrong, I'll apologize. But if I'm right, don't back me into a corner because I won't take it. And if I die on this floor today, you'll pay for what you did today. I was so upset today. My heart dropped 60 over 40 blood pressure. You want to call me again and tell me don't call that business? You don't have the right to tell me that.

I didn't threaten them. I didn't intimidate her. I simply wanted to know about the drugs because I've never done drugs. I don't like it here for the children. I don't like it here for the characters that it draws. If you don't like that, I don't care. I really don't care. I'm going to speak my mind as long as I draw my last breath.

And call me again and do what you've been doing to me for years, which makes me feel like a piece of garbage and we'll handle that because I'm done. Don't call my house again.

Don't threaten me. Don't intimidate me. And don't put your officers on the phone to bark up my tree because I've had it. I'm done.

Now, I'll call that business if I want to know more information because there was an ad in the paper. If you want to know, you call and ask, and I did. Now, I don't know who put you up to calling me, but good for them. You should be proud of yourself. I'm 79. Call me some more and harass me and intimidate me. I liked it. Thank you so much. Bring some healthy businesses for a change.

CHIEF MILHOAN:

MS. PERRINO:

I left at 2:30 today. I didn't know there were any calls made. Well, thank your officers because what you did was threw me that close to dying, honey. If I die on this floor, there's going to be a wrongful death lawsuit. I'm going to tell you that. I don't bother nobody. Don't ever call my house again and tell me what I can and cannot do if it's legal.

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MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Thank you. Are there any other public remarks? Go ahead.

MR. MCGRAIL: Mark McGrail, 3656 Goldner Lane, Lordstown, Ohio. With regards to this issue of changing the zoning code to reduce the size of square footage of a new home and/or also change what constitutes, what goes into that square footage. I really think this is a solution looking for a problem. You already have a decent zoning code that protects the residents here in the community. I believe it's since 2002, 2012. In 2012, you had about 122 applications for new homes in the Village to today. Not one of those has been turned down for anybody not meeting the square footage requirement. There's not a problem here.

Over that period of time, there were five homes that were in question with regard to that square footage. Those are resolved. I think one of them didn't build their homes, but the rest of them did. So, I don't think—first of all, part of this issue came up with regards to one application. And changing the zoning code for one specific instance is spot zoning. We don't need spot zoning. We've been through this argument too many times. So, I would ask that you consider not doing this. Now, I understand that some of the language in that portion of the code does need to be clarified a bit. I understand that. That makes sense. But I guess what's being asked for is to reduce the size of the square footage of new homes. No, there's no need for it and the evidence proves that there is no need for that. Thank you.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Any additional public remarks?
(NO RESPONSE.)
Hearing none, Council remarks?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
We'll go on to committee reports. Finance, Robert Bond?

MR. BOND: Okay. Thank you. We've got two Ordinances here about the agg. districts we'd like to see passed tonight. That's it.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Parks, Buildings, Grounds, General Improvements, Streets and Sidewalks, Lamar Liming?

MR. LIMING: No report.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Public Safety and Police Department, Jamie Moseley?

MR. MOSELEY: I have no report tonight.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Are you going to schedule a meeting to go over those—there was a request for an increase for the K9.

MR. MOSELEY: Yeah, we'll have to figure that out. I need to read that.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. And then the invoice for—

MR. MOSELEY: Yeah—

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Public Safety, Fire and EMS, Howard Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: I have no report tonight, Ms. Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Public Utilities, Ernie Bowen?

MR. BOWEN: No report, ma'am, but I do need to have a Utility meeting just to move on.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Let me know when you get that scheduled.

MR. BOWEN: Will do.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Thank you. Planning and Zoning, Jessica Blank?

MS. BLANK: We had a meeting March 24th for Planning and Zoning. As Mr. McGrail talked about, our big topic was square footage and how to determine it for residents wanting to build. I did look up a few places in Trumbull County just to give

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everyone kind of an idea of other places—

MAYOR WOODWARD: Oh, was that for me?

MS. BLANK: I was just on one one night and started researching in Trumbull County.

MAYOR WOODWARD: I didn't know where that came from. That makes sense.

MS. BLANK: So I just wanted everyone to see different places in Trumbull County and what their requirements are. I saw a lot didn't define a lot and I don't know if that is to be more lenient to help residents here wanting to build in the community. So, I did give all of Council a heads up tonight this will probably be discussed.

Also, Mobile Market did come Thursday, April 3rd, but we did not have a lot of attendance this time at this event, so I don't know how much longer that they will be coming. We'll have to see when they put next month's calendar out. That is all.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Any questions or discussion?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

MR. BLANK: All right. Legislation.
From Council as a Whole for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A PERPETUAL RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EXCLUSIVE PERMANENT EASEMENT FOR A WATER BOOSTER STATION FROM SPIRONGO LORDSTOWN, LLC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?

MR. SHEELY: So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Sheely.

MR. LIMING: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Liming. Roll call.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?

MR. BOWEN: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?

MR. MOSELEY: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?

MS. BLANK: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried to suspend the rules.
Is there a motion to adopt?

MR. BOND: So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond.

MR. MOSELEY: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley. Any discussion?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Roll call.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?

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MS. BLANK: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
MR. BOWEN: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 14-2025.
MR. BLANK: From Council as a Whole for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART ONE, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, TITLE FIVE, CHAPTER 143 "BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN BY REVISING SECTION 143.02 "MEETINGS" AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?
MR. MOSELEY: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Moseley.
MR. BOWEN: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Bowen. Roll call.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
MR. BOWEN: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
MS. BLANK: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried to suspend the rules.
MR. LIMING: Is there a motion to adopt?
MR. LIMING: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.
MR. SHEELY: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Sheely. Any discussion?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Roll call.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
MS. BLANK: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.

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MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
 MR. LIMING: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
 MR. BOND: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
 MR. BOWEN: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 15-2025.
 MR. BLANK: From Finance Committee for Emergency Passage, A **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION OF KRISHER FARMS, LLC, 4510 HIGHLAND AVENUE, SW, WARREN, OHIO 44481, FOR PLACEMENT OF FARMLAND LOCATED ON HIGHLAND AVENUE IN AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?
 MR. BOND: So moved.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond.
 MR. BOWEN: Second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Bowen. Roll call.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
 MR. BOND: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
 MR. BOWEN: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
 MS. BLANK: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
 MR. LIMING: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried to suspend the rules.
 Is there a motion to adopt?
 MR. LIMING: So moved.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.
 MR. MOSELEY: Second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley. Any discussion?
 (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
 Roll call.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
 MS. BLANK: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
 MR. BOWEN: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
 MR. BOND: Yes.

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MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried to adopt Resolution 3-2025.

MR. BLANK: From Finance Committee for Emergency Passage, A
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION OF CURTIS H. BEHNER TRUSTEE AND DIANNIA K. BEHNER TRUSTEE, 1951 HEWITT-GIFFORD ROAD, SW., WARREN, OHIO 44481, FOR PLACEMENT OF FARMLAND LOCATED AT HEWITT-GIFFORD ROAD IN AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?

MR. LIMING: So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Moved by Liming.

MR. BOND: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: And a second by Bond. Roll call.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?

MR. BOWEN: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?

MR. MOSELEY: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?

MS. BLANK: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried to suspend the rules.
Is there a motion to adopt?

MR. BOND: So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond.

MS. BLANK: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Blank. Any discussion?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Roll call.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?

MS. BLANK: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?

MR. MOSELEY: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?

MR. BOWEN: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND: Yes.

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(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried to adopt Resolution 4-2025.
Is there any old business?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Hearing none, we will move on to new business. Can I have a motion for permission for Verdantis to submit the application to Senator Moreno's office?
MR. SHEELY: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Sheely.
MR. BOND: I'll second it.
MAYOR WOODWARD: And a second by Bond. Any discussion?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried.
Then we also need a motion, this is for an amount not to exceed \$3,000 for the community picnic. Would somebody like to make a motion?
MS. BLANK: I'll make the motion—
MR. BOWEN: I'll make the motion.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank.
MR. BOWEN: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Bowen. Any discussion?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried.
Then we need a motion to allow the scrap tire collection for Martin.
MR. BOND: So moved.
MR. LIMING: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond and a second by Liming. Let's throw the dates in there. That was going to be—
MS. BLANK: June 10 through the 17th.
MAYOR WOODWARD: June 10th through the 17th with eight tires per household.
All right. There's a motion. Is there any discussion?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

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MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried.
MR. BOND: Okay. I've got a couple motions to make here tonight. These are for executive session. The first will be entering into executive session to discuss the pending litigation by Judi Gensburg, inviting all of Council, Mayor and Solicitor.
SOLICITOR RIES: Imminent court action.
MR. BOND: Imminent court action.
MR. LIMING: I'll second that motion.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond and a second by Liming. Any discussion? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Roll call.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
MR. BOWEN: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
MS. BLANK: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. That motion is carried.
MR. BOND: The next one is again a motion to enter into executive session to discuss investigation and complaints against a public employee and consider discipline, asking all of Council, with the exception of Jessica Blank; the Mayor; Solicitor and Police Chief Milhoan will be invited for at least part of it.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. There's a motion by Bond.
MR. BOWEN: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Bowen. Roll call.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
MS. BLANK: I abstain.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
MR. BOWEN: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.

(VOTE: 5, AYE; 0, NAY; 1, ABSTENTION.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: 5, ayes; 0, nays; 1, abstention. The motion is carried.
Is there any additional new business?
MR. MOSELEY: Yes. For the Police Department, I have another yearly maintenance agreement from Interaction Insight Corporation for \$2,121. I need approval from Council. This is a yearly

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MR. LIMING: maintenance agreement.
 I'll second it.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Moseley and a second by Liming. Is there any discussion on that?
 (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
 All in favor?
 COUNCIL: Aye.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?
 (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion is carried.
 Anything else?
 (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
 Hearing none, is there any additional public remarks?
 (NO RESPONSE.)
 All right. At this time, we are going to adjourn into executive session.

WHEREAS, THE REGULAR MEETING BEFORE THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:48 P.M.

1ST EXECUTIVE SESSION – COUNCIL RECONVENED AT 7:00 P.M. WITH MAYOR AND 5 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL PRESENT

2ND EXECUTIVE SESSION – STARTED AT 7:01 P.M. WITH MAYOR AND 5 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL PRESENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSIONS AT 7:55 P.M. BY LIMING, SECOND BY BOWEN. (VOTES: 5, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

COUNCIL RECONVENED THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:56 P.M.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 7:57 P.M. . MOTION BY SHEELY; SECOND BY MOSELEY. (VOTES: 5, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

_____, Mayor

_____, Clerk

STATE OF OHIO)
)
 COUNTY OF TRUMBULL)

I, Sharon K. Vigorito, a Notary Public, within and for the State of Ohio, do certify that the foregoing meeting before the Lordstown Village Council was written in the presence of witnesses and by me transcribed. I further certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript to the best of my abilities.

 Sharon K. Vigorito, Notary Public
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