

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE LORDSTOWN VILLAGE COUNCIL
1455 Salt Springs Road, Lordstown, Ohio
February 2, 2026
6:10 p.m. to 6:27 p.m.
For Council Approval 2/17/2026

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Jaclyn Woodward, Mayor
Mr. William Blank, Clerk
Mr. George Ebling, Treasurer
Ms. Jessica Blank, Councilwoman
Mr. Robert Bond, Councilman
Mr. Lamar Liming, Councilman
Mr. Mark McGrail, Councilman
Mr. Ron Radtka, Councilman

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS taken before me, DEBORAH LAVELLE, RPR, a court reporter and Notary Public within and for the State of Ohio on this 2nd of February, 2026.

MAYOR WOODWARD: I'd like to welcome everyone tonight. Please join me for the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

LORD'S PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR WOODWARD: Roll call please.
CLERK BLANK: Mayor Woodward.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Here.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Bond.
MR. BOND: Here.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Liming.
MR. LIMING: Here.
CLERK BLANK: Miss Blank.
MS. BLANK: Here.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Radtka.
MR. RADTKA: Present.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. McGrail.
MR. McGRAIL: Present.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Moseley.
(No response.)
CLERK BLANK: Clerk Blank, present. Treasurer George Ebling.
MR. EBLING: Here.
CLERK BLANK: Solicitor Matt Ries.
ATTY. RIES: Here.
CLERK BLANK: Police Chief Brent Milhoan.
CHIEF MILHOAN: Present.
CLERK BLANK: Fire Chief Travis Eastham.
CHIEF EASTHAM: Present.
CLERK BLANK: Planning and Zoning Administrator Kellie Bordner.
MS. BORDNER: Present.
CLERK BLANK: Street Commissioner Martin Nelder.
MR. NELDER: Present.
CLERK BLANK: Board of Public Affairs.
MR. PETERSON: Present.
CLERK BLANK: Engineer Chris Kogelnik.
MR. KOGELNIK: Present.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to excuse Jamie Moseley? He is ill this evening.
MR. LIMING: So moved.

MR. BOND: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: A motion by Liming and a second by Bond. All in favor?
(All respond aye.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed.
(No response.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: The motion is carried. Is there a motion for adoption of
the agenda?

MR. McGRAIL: So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by McGrail.

MS. BLANK: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Blank. All in favor?
(All respond aye.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed.
(No response.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: The motion is carried. Is there a motion for disposal of the
minutes for the regular Council meeting January 20, 2026,
and the Work Session January 20, 2026?

MR. LIMING: So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.

MR. RADTKA: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Radtka. All in favor?
(All respond aye.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed.
(No response.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: The motion is carried. Is there a motion for payment of
the bills?

MR. RADTKA: So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Radtka.

MR. BOND: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Bond. Any discussion of the bills? All in
favor?
(All respond aye.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed.
(No response.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: The motion is carried. Mayor's Report. I just wanted to
talk a little bit real quick about the recording going on
here. Once -- this is not a live-stream video, this is a
recording. Once it is recorded and we shut it off, it saves
to a disc; and we will be uploading those videos to a
YouTube page. And we will eventually have that link on
our website, we'll put it out on Facebook, so that you can
go to that YouTube page, that YouTube channel, and
view those videos at some point in time. Just give me a
little bit of time to get acclimated to it and get it in the
right place and get it out to people, but we should have
that up and running very soon. There is a public hearing
coming up February 4 at 6:00 p.m. regarding the
discharge of the water from TEC into Mud Creek. That is
at 6:00 p.m. here in this building, and I urge everybody to
attend. That is all that I have. Clerk's Report.

CLERK BLANK: Just that our next Finance meeting will be next Monday at
6:00. And then our Council meeting will be Tuesday the
17th since we're closed Monday.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Thank you. Solicitor's Report.

ATTY. RIES: Just we -- the Village closed on the property at 8933 Tod
Avenue. We closed last week, purchased it, we needed
that property for the water booster station so -- so that's --
it's now our property and we can move forward with it.
That's all I have to report.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Very good. Okay.

MS. BLANK: Yeah.

MAYOR WOODWARD: I'm glad to see that project moving forward.

MS. BLANK: Me too.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Treasurer's Report.

MR. EBLING: No report.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Board of Trustees of Public Affairs Report.

MR. PETERSON: Yes, Mayor. I want to thank Council, Mayor, Solicitor, and the Engineer for the property and for doing everything you guys did so we can move forward with that project. And our next regular meeting is tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. here.

MAYOR WOODWARD: All right. Thank you. Village Engineer's Report.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes, Mayor. Thank you. And same sentiments for all the effort for the property acquisition. We'll move forward with whatever is necessary for the bid advertisement for construction of that project. This past couple weeks we've been doing some planning coordination and funding coordination for a couple projects. We don't have any word back yet from Mr. Harvey from TEC regarding the RUMA impacts on Henn Parkway because of the obvious weather. I don't expect that to probably occur until maybe another month, so we still have to do that. But it's been kind of an idle time for the past couple weeks. Been waiting on a few things, the booster station namely, so that's what we're focused on. Any questions for me? Thank you.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Thank you. Special Reports. Police Chief Brent Milhoan.

CHIEF MILHOAN: Yes, Mayor. I've submitted my monthly report for January via e-mail. If you have any questions, I'll attempt to answer them.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Any questions? Fire Chief Travis Eastham.

CHIEF EASTHAM: No report tonight, Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Any questions for Travis? Planning and Zoning Administrator Kellie Bordner.

MS. BORDNER: Thank you, Mayor. I submitted our January report for the Planning and Zoning office. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Any questions for Kellie? Okay.

Parks/Grounds/Buildings/Streets Superintendent Martin Nelder.

MR. NELDER: Yes, Mayor. Only thing I have is the guys, the Roads and Parks, worked pretty much around the clock during the big storm. We had a few little breakdowns which we were able to take care of in-house, but there is a truck that's gonna need to go out. So, I'm gonna talk to my committee after and see what we can do. Thank you.

MR. LIMING: Did you have enough salt?

MR. NELDER: We've been starting to get our order. I still don't want to use a lot, but we're getting --

MR. LIMING: Okay.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Don't jinx us, Lamar.

MR. LIMING: Gotta know.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Don't talk about the salt. Any other questions for Martin? All right. Any correspondence tonight?

CLERK BLANK: No correspondence, Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Public Remarks. Are there any?

MR. TURA: I have one.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Come up to the mic. State your name and address for the record.

MR. TURA: Larry Tura. 3650 Ellsworth Bailey Road. Are the cameras on you guys too so we know who's speaking up here as well as who's out here speaking?

MAYOR WOODWARD: Yes. The cameras in the back of the room and it's facing this way, but it does pick up all the way back. I think it picks up three rows back.

MR. TURA: Because a lot of times we hear people talking, and we don't know who's saying what.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Right. The microphone is right here.
(Multiple people making comments)

MR. TURA: I didn't say that. Thank you. I was just curious.

MAYOR WOODWARD: I'll let you know if we picked up anything incriminating at the beginning of the video.

MR. TURA: I'm a hacker too, just remember that.

MS. BLANK: All our mics are on, Larry.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Are there any other public remarks?

MR. ALDERMAN: I want to -- I don't know if this is a public remark or under --
(Court reporter interrupts speaker to give his name and address for the record.)

MR. ALDERMAN: Jeff Alderman. 2832 Newton Falls Bailey Road. I don't know if what I want to talk about is for public remarks or under new business. I have a suggestion for possibly new legislation.

MAYOR WOODWARD: You can give that to us right now, yeah.

MR. ALDERMAN: Okay. So, what I wanted to talk about -- and I've been doing some research -- and I think it would be in the best interest for our community if we look at possibly passing legislation to prohibit the use of non-disclosure agreements, NDAs. A lot of companies are coming into communities without any information as to what their intentions are and how they're gonna go about doing their business because they're forcing public officials to sign NDAs. And a lot of the newer Council members ran with more -- with the promise to provide more government transparencies. I think that's gonna open or pave the road for that immensely. We as a community want to know what's going on. There are things as residents that we could probably do that Council people can't if we have the right information. And I believe any corporation or business wanting to come in here should be open and forthright about what their intentions are, and I think it should be illegal for them to press upon any elected official or Council person or community leader to sign an NDA. And I'd like -- I'd hope that you guys might be interested in looking into that. I think it could probably protect us, you know, further down the road. If any of the current industries here, if there were accidents, you know, maybe a train derailment, they may possibly want people to sign NDAs to kind of cover that up. I think as a community we should be, you know, made aware of what is happening.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay.

MR. ALDERMAN: That's all I have.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Thank you.

MS. BLANK: No train derailments.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Any other public remarks tonight? All right, we'll move on to Council Remarks.

MS. BLANK: None.

MAYOR WOODWARD: No takers? Committee Reports. Finance, Jessica Blank.

MS. BLANK: Just that we have our meeting Monday the 9th at 6:00 p.m. And then I know this is now out of my realm, but Mobile Market will be here on the 12th from 11:30 to 12:30 at the admin building.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Ronnie, you're in charge of the Mobile Market now.

MS. BLANK: I'm handing it over to you. I'm trusting you.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Parks, Buildings, Grounds General Improvements, Streets and Sidewalks. Did Jamie leave anything, did he tell you anything?

MS. BLANK: He just said he had no report unless Martin needed salt, he knows what to do.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Public Safety and Police Department, Robert Bond.

MR. BOND: I have no report this evening, Madam Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Public Safety, Fire and E.M.S., Lamar Liming.

MR. LIMING: No report.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Public Utilities, Mark McGrail.

MR. McGRAIL: No report.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Do you have one for the Moratorium?

MR. McGRAIL: I have a couple of comments.

MAYOR WOODWARD: If you wanted to, you can squeeze it in there. There's nothing on the agenda for it.

MR. McGRAIL: I see that. I'd just like to say we have had two meetings, and a lot of ideas have been thrown around with regard to many of the effects of data centers. And we haven't come to any real conclusions, but I think it's -- we're gonna reach the point shortly, probably in the next meeting or two, where we're gonna be able to make some form of recommendation to the Council as a whole. It has been recommended to us that perhaps it would be to our benefit to hear from someone who has expertise in putting together ordinances, legislation and things of that nature, not necessarily with data centers but with industrial commercial development, which could be applied to dealing with any data center development that might come our way. And I'm working on that right now, so --

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay.

MR. McGRAIL: That's where we're at.

MAYOR WOODWARD: All right. Planning and Zoning, Ron Radtka.

MR. RADTKA: No report tonight, Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: All right. We'll move to legislation. Go ahead, Bill.

CLERK BLANK: Thank you. From Council as a whole for emergency passage.
An ordinance authorizing the Village of Lordstown to enter into an aggregation agreement with Eastern Power and Gas, LLC to provide natural gas supply effective March 1, 2026, with opt-out provisions for the residents and businesses eligible to participate in the aggregation program and declaring an emergency.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Do we want to talk about amending this to April? Okay. Is there a motion to amend this to say effective April 1, 2026?

MS. BLANK: I'll make the motion.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank. Is there a second?

MR. LIMING: Second.

MR. RADTKA: Question, should we also insert not to exceed the 480 per MCF?

MAYOR WOODWARD: Yes, sorry. I did not write it on there; I wrote it on the other page. Okay. Is there a motion to amend this stating that the effective date is April 1, 2026, and then we will also put in a provision here not to exceed four point --

MS. BLANK: -- eight.

MR. LIMING: -- eight zero.

MAYOR WOODWARD: -- eight zero per MCF?

MS. BLANK: I'll make that motion.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank.
 MR. LIMING: I'll second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: And a second by Liming. Roll call.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. Bond.
 MR. BOND: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. McGrail.
 MR. McGRAIL: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. Liming.
 MR. LIMING: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Miss Blank.
 MS. BLANK: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. Radtka.
 MR. RADTKA: Yes.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: All right. Five ayes, zero nays. The motion is carried to amend the legislation. Now is there a motion to suspend the rules?
 MR. RADTKA: So moved.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Radtka.
 MR. BOND: Second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Bond. Roll call.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. Radtka.
 MR. RADTKA: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Miss Blank.
 MS. BLANK: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. Liming.
 MR. LIMING: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. McGrail.
 MR. McGRAIL: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. Bond.
 MR. BOND: Yes.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Five ayes, zero nays. The motion is carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?
 MS. BLANK: So moved.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank. Is there a second?
 MR. LIMING: Second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Liming. Any discussion?
 MR. LIMING: I want to make sure we're okay here. This says 4.802. Is that the same as 4.80?
 MR. BELLISH: No. The offer is 4.80.
 MR. LIMING: 4.80, not --
 MS. BLANK: Correct.
 MR. LIMING: Not 4.802.
 MR. BELLISH: No. 4.80 is the offer.
 MR. LIMING: All right. Then we're all right.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Anything else? Roll call.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. McGrail.
 MR. McGRAIL: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. Bond.
 MR. BOND: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. Liming.
 MR. LIMING: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Miss Blank.
 MS. BLANK: Yes.
 CLERK BLANK: Mr. Radtka.
 MR. RADTKA: Yes.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Five ayes, zero nays. The motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 4-2026.

CLERK BLANK: From Council as a whole for emergency passage.
An ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with the Office of the Public Defender of Trumbull County, Ohio to represent indigent misdemeanants charged with violation of Lordstown Village ordinances commencing January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026 and declaring an emergency.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?
MR. LIMING: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.
MS. BLANK: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Blank. Roll call.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Bond.
MR. BOND: Yes.
CLERK BLANK: Miss Blank.
MS. BLANK: Yes.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. McGrail.
MR. McGRAIL: Yes.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Liming.
MR. LIMING: Yes.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Radtka.
MR. RADTKA: Yes.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Five ayes, zero nays. The motion is carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?
MR. BOND: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond. Is there a second?
MR. McGRAIL: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by McGrail. Any discussion? Roll call.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Radtka.
MR. RADTKA: Yes.
CLERK BLANK: Miss Blank.
MS. BLANK: Yes.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. McGrail.
MR. McGRAIL: Yes.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Liming.
MR. LIMING: Yes.
CLERK BLANK: Mr. Bond.
MR. BOND: Yes.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Five ayes, zero nays. The motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 5-2026. Is there any Old Business to discuss? Is there any New Business to discuss? Are there any additional Public Remarks? Can I have a motion for adjournment?
MS. BLANK: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank. Is there a second?
MR. McGRAIL: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by McGrail. All in favor?
(All respond aye.)
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed.
(No response.)
MAYOR WOODWARD: The motion is carried. Meeting adjourned.

(Meeting adjourns at 6:27 p.m.)

_____ Mayor

_____ Clerk

CERTIFICATE
STATE OF OHIO)
TRUMBULL COUNTY) SS.

I, Deborah I. Lavelle, a Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that the foregoing meeting before the Lordstown Village Council was written by me in the presence of the Members and transcribed by me using computer-aided transcription according to the stenotype notes taken at the time the said meeting took place.

I do further certify that I am not a relative, counsel or attorney of any Member, or otherwise interested in the event of this action.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at Niles, Ohio on this 9th day of February, 2026.

DEBORAH I. LAVELLE, Notary Public
My Commission expires 4/15/2027