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PROCEEDINGS

Lordstown Village Council Regular Meeting

(WHEREAS, the regular meeting before the Lordstown Village Council commenced on Monday, May 5, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. and proceedings were as follows:)

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

MAYOR WOODWARD: Roll call, please.
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?
(NO RESPONSE — ABSENT.)
Solicitor Matt Ries?
MR. BLANK: Here.
SOLICITOR RIES: Here.
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?
(NO RESPONSE — ABSENT.)
Street Commissioner, Martin Nelder?
(NO RESPONSE — ABSENT.)
Board of Public Affairs?
MR. PETERSON: Here.
MR. BLANK: Engineer, Chris Kogelnik?
MR. KOGELNIK: Present.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All right. Is there a motion to excuse Martin, Kellie and George?
MR. BOND: So moved.
MR. LIMING: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond; second by Liming. 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.
Is there a motion for adoption of the agenda?
MR. LIMING: Do we have to change that?
MAYOR WOODWARD: Well, we amended it in caucus. Do we need to—
MR. LIMING: Do anything here or not?
SOLICITOR RIES: Just as amended. Just approving as amended.

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MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion for adoption of the amended agenda?
MR. LIMING: So moved.
MR. BOND: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming; second by Bond. 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.
Is there a motion for disposal of the minutes for the regular
Council meeting April 21, 2025?
MS. BLANK: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank.
MR. BOWEN: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Bowen. Was there any questions on the
minutes?
(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. Is there a motion for payment of the bills?
MR. SHEELY: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Sheely.
MR. MOSELEY: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley. Any questions 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: Motion is carried. Did you want to change that?
MS. BLANK: Not me. Never mind.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Mayor's report. I just wanted to let everybody know it's the
Fire Association that's selling the chicken dinner tickets for
this Saturday. So stop at the Fire Department for a ticket.
And I will have tonight one resignation and two
appointments. One is for Parks and one is for PD auxiliary
position. That is all that I have.
Is there a Clerk's report?
MR. BLANK: I have no report, Mayor.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Solicitor's report?
SOLICITOR RIES: No report, Mayor.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Treasurer's report. George said he had no report.
Board of Trustees of Public Affairs?
MR. PETERSON: Yes, our regular meeting will be tomorrow at 4 p.m.
Also, our crew just got done exercising the valves, the main
live valves on the existing 24-inch waterline. And I don't

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want to steal Chris' thunder on the air release release, so I'll let him explain everything for the air release.

The RFQs, the date to submit that was Friday. So, we're going to have to set up a meeting to review and award. I'm not sure if everybody is available this week or next week, but as soon as possible. I don't know if everybody got the email with them.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Do you want to just reply to the email with dates that you want, and we'll reply.

MR. PETERSON: That will work.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Anything else?

MR. PETERSON: That's all I have.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Village Engineer's report?

MR. KOGELNIK: Thank you, Mayor. I'm not going to go over all the items on my report, but I'll highlight the main ones and then I'll turn it over to my associate, Mike Miller, who is attending with me today.

The air release valve replacement project, this project is substantially complete with only site restoration remaining. So, technically, we're in a position where we can probably square up with the contractor. But there's this ongoing issue with the existing 24-inch waterline that I mentioned to you all and that we're not seeing the full flow capability of the line. So, our plan right now is to wait until LEC is again operational. Install pressure gauges at each of the air release valve locations, there's nine of them. And then we would almost sequentially monitor each one of the pressure gauges. That way we can observe where the pressure drop is located. That should allow us to hone in on where the problem is or the restriction is in the existing waterline. So, I'd rather keep the existing contract with the contractor open to do that rather than opening up a new construction contract if and when we find something. If it's something simple, we would opt to maybe issue a change order to the contractor to get that repaired.

Right now a payment application has been submitted by Kirila. We reviewed it. It looks fine. And we were going to submit it at the next meeting. We'll see what the pressure gauge evaluation results are then I'll work with Bill, and we'll either get this on the docket for the next meeting or the meeting after that.

MR. MOSELEY: Chris?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes.

MR. MOSELEY: What kind of restriction could be in there that you guys have seen in the past in other waterlines? Like, what could it be?

MR. KOGELNIK: A valve. This is not air. Typically, with a partial air lock, it would not compromise a waterline of that size to have less than 50 percent capacity.

MR. MOSELEY: So, there's other valves from the main one to the water tower?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah.

MR. MOSELEY: Two-foot valves, where are they at? How many of them is there?

MR. KOGELNIK: There's approximately four or five of them along the six-mile stretch. And, so, the Utility Department triple checked all the valves and to their understanding, the valves all were

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open.

MR. MOSELEY: Does it hurt just to tear them apart and rebuild them?

MR. KOGELNIK: Well, it only hurts service to do that. So, we might find ourselves tearing apart one of these valves after we do this pressure test. We're trying to work in a pragmatic manner so that we don't rip apart the entire waterline or parts of the waterline and take the Village down in water service. We'd rather just look at it from a safe perspective and hone in on where the problem is. That's what we're doing. The existing waterline needed the air release valves replaced anyway because they were froze. The two valves in the meter vault needed rebuilt anyway. So, that's all done. It just didn't illustrate where the problem is.

MR. MOSELEY: Well, that's why I was just thinking—because I was there when we did those valves. The other ones are probably going to need rebuilt, too. I mean, they're as old as the whole system.

MR. KOGELNIK: That's a good point. I just want to mention something that you said there. The valves on a waterline of this size will not last as long as the waterline itself. The waterline itself it's just ductile iron. You know, if it's installed correctly, it could last 75 to a hundred years. But the valves, you're not going to get that duration, that life out of them. And sometimes what people do or entities do on these large transmission lines is build bypasses around each of the valves. At some point in time, we were intending to do that. With the new waterline, we were going to position right next to the existing one. That way we could divert the flow. So, there is a plan for all of this. It's just that right now we're in between implementing a plan and fixing an existing waterline if that makes sense.

MR. LIMING: How long does it take to replace one of those valves if you've got a new one sitting there?

MR. KOGELNIK: It depends on if you have the ability to bypass, Lamar. We just did a 20-inch valve in Niles. And the contractor made quick work out of it, probably two or three weeks to install the new valve. It's just the time it takes to deliver a new valve these days, 20-, 24-inch, you're looking at around 50 weeks, 40 to 50 weeks.

MR. MOSELEY: It didn't take them three weeks to change the valve. It's just ordering it and getting it, correct?

MR. LIMING: I mean, if it's sitting there on the ground, how long does it take?

MR. KOGELNIK: It depends on if you have the bypass. So, you're probably looking at at least a week to do everything.

MR. BOND: Question, too, Chris. Was this waterline—when was the last time it would flow at full volume? Was it ever checked?

MR. KOGELNIK: That's another good question. This waterline really never was demanded of for a hundred percent of its capacity until LEC was born. LEC was born in '16. I think the plant commissioned in '17. Then the new booster station was built up near the Ultium facility. The new booster station really needs that singular 24-inch waterline to have one hundred percent of its full capacity. And right now it doesn't. Even with LEC, we didn't really need a hundred percent of the asking. But now that we have Ultium and LEC drawing

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water—

MR. BOND: So, you're telling me we don't know if this thing was ever capable of flowing full capacity?

MR. KOGELNIK: To be definitive, I don't. But, theoretically, Bob, it's a 24-inch waterline with a limited amount of valves along it. We know the pressure at the beginning. We know the pressure at the end. We do know some intermediate pressures. There's no reason why it shouldn't be able to flow full, hundred percent. So, that's what we're trying to figure out why that can't happen. All right. So, that's that project. Anybody else have any other questions on that?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Trumbull Energy Center land development plan review. Martin Nelder and I have attended eight construction meetings. We've kept most everybody apprised of that, including Police Chief and Fire Chief. The construction observation services have not started yet on each of the three road crossings because they haven't begun that. They still think that Brunstetter is a couple weeks out.
Just last Wednesday we received information for the plan for the horizontal directional drilling across Salt Springs Road and the MOT, maintenance traffic plan, on Salt Springs Road. I reviewed it just today because I was on vacation last week. The plan looks fine, but the plan also does not say anything about the existing soil samples. I had a discussion about that with Lamar. It should because that was one of the biggest concerns we had. Their engineer provided us the geotechnical evaluation of the soils. We were concerned about the open cut nature in the bore and jack. So, if we propose a horizontal directional drill plan, we need to acknowledge the existing soil's conditions, but they didn't and I want them to. Then our geotechnical engineers could review that response. And then we'll give you an affirmative or a negative response. Then you can make your decisions on letting them proceed. You all right, Bill?

MR. BLANK: Don't worry about me.

MR. KOGELNIK: All right. On April 24th, I sent the Solicitor a RUMA exhibit deleting a couple of the Village streets that Warren said they did not need. So, I don't know how you want to memorialize that, Matt. You will need to memorialize that.

SOLICITOR RIES: We'll just do it as an Ordinance with an amended RUMA pretty much.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. I've also requested from TEC that they submit their Ohio EPA permit to install. This is for their discharge to Mud Run and also the new sewer connection from their admin building to the Village sanitary sewer. This topic has been on the BPA's agenda for probably the better part of a year. It needs to be removed. And the only way to do that is to get them to provide this information. This permit information should have been submitted as part one of building their facility. So, I don't know how to make that happen, but the Village needs to have a copy of that PTI for both the discharge and also the connection to the Village sanitary sewer.
Project funding. We will be submitting a task order to the Village for the future earmark funding applications for the

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future 24-inch waterline and the Hallock-Young connector waterline. My associate Mike Miller is here today, and he's been working on the ARC, that's the Appalachian Regional Commission, fiscal year '26 infrastructure pre-application for the Hallock-Young waterline. And we're also updating the Ohio EPA water permit now. So, with that, we have been talking about the proposed 24-inch waterline for probably four years. Last week or the week before last—I can't remember which—I answered another couple questions regarding amortization rates for the amount of money that would need to be put forth on that project. And the amount of remaining funding estimated is \$10.5 million that we need. We gave the amortization rates for that because Ohio EPA's loan amount for this area, I think, is 3.22 percent.

MR. MILLER:

Correct.

MR. KOGELNIK:

So, with that said, I was talking with Mike because Mike has a vast knowledge about Ohio Public Works Commission. He had an idea that the Village might want to consider in conjunction with an Ohio EPA loan. So, with that, I'll introduce you to my associate, Mike Miller. He drove up from Columbus today. Go for it.

MR. MILLER:

Thanks, Chris. Thank you, Mayor. Good to be back. I was with you folks last fall for a quick meeting, and it's always good to be in the Mahoning and Trumbull County area. I enjoy it up here.

When Chris gave a call, he asked what the interest rate was on the EPA loans, which, as he said, it was 3.22 percent. I said are they that serious? I said there's some other funding scenarios that I think we can blend things together to perhaps get a little more affordable, better deal.

The ideal is the Ohio Public Works Commission loan program. It's not going to come near to the amount of funding you're looking at with the EPA but normally when the Village has applied for Ohio Public Works Commission funding, you've been applying for grant dollars. They do have a loan program that historically has gone undersubscribed. And unfunded grant projects they usually offer loan dollars after they've gone down through their priority listing. I thought this would be a very competitive project in the District 6 process.

I crunched out some numbers from the 3.22 at 30 years. For every \$250,000, we could get through the OPWC end, it would save a little over \$140,000 for \$250,000 that we can successfully acquire. It would be at zero percent versus 3.22. Again, it would be a blend of EPA, OPWC funding. I'm not sure how familiar the committee is with the District 6 rating and ranking process, but they do give preference to your community's number one priority, number two priority. The Village usually makes a paving project its number one priority due to the way the loan dollars have fallen. And I don't think you would have to make the loan project your number one priority. It would just be your second application. You aren't limited to just submitting one. They just give the extra points to your number one priority.

The other financial instrument I was bouncing around with Chris is they do have a credit enhancement program which is

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seldomly, rarely used because nobody can really figure it out. But, essentially, it would buy the construction period interest on a public or private sector loan. That funding is a grant, but it comes out of the district's loan allocation. Twenty percent of the district's allocation from the state has to be used in the form of loans. So, it's usually not as competitive as a normal grant. Dollar-wise, it's difficult to predict. We would have to see what the draw-down time would be on the EPA loan and the construction period would dictate how much we would want to apply for there. But that would be another consideration if you do choose to go the EPA route. I would suggest blending those two tools if possible.

So, those were the two ideas that I had. District 6 usually solicits applications in the Spring with applications due in the Fall, so it's nothing we'd have to make a decision on this evening. And I believe the district—depending on Issue 2's success on the ballot tomorrow—we'll probably be sending out guidance for applications due this Fall shortly after that. Just a quick update on Hallock-Young, if I may, Mayor. That application is due the end of the month. I did attend the mandatory Eastgate meeting and went through that. I have begun preparing the next application. It's going to be very similar to the application that we submitted two years ago, with the exception of the ask is going to be reduced to probably to about half of what we requested last time. Looking at the average of the projects that were successful, our request was about double. So, I think we'll have a much more competitive app for Hallock-Young by reducing the request on that.

I do have a follow-up, Cathy said that Eastgate offered to sit down as a follow-up to discuss the project. I requested how it scored last time, so we can see where we need to improve it to make it more competitive. That is not available but she did offer to walk through the application with me. So we'll certainly take advantage of that offer.

And then I requested a little bit of information from the Village when we need an updated UEI which I spoke with Mr. Blank and that's my understanding that that's in the works. And it's my understanding that we have updated letters of support in the works, as well. So, I think we're on track to meet the deadline for that application.

So, that's all I had to share with you folks unless you have any questions on the funding?

MR. BLANK:

I have one question, Mike. Are those loans 30 years? Can you go 20 years?

MR. MILLER:

The OPWC loans are up to 30 years not to exceed the useful life of the project. This project certainly would have a 30 year plus. It's up to 30. There is no penalty for prepayment, so I would recommend if we went that route and you take the 30-year loan if you wanted to pay it off early just to get it off the books, there would be no penalty. Or if you just wanted to amortize it for 20 and the promissory note—

MR. BLANK:

I thought the ones we have now are 20 years.

MR. MILLER:

—can be accomplished, as well. Once you sign the promissory note, though, you would be locked into those

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terms, which is why I recommend stretching it out knowing you can pay it off early.

MR. KOGELNIK: Thank you. That's the end of our report.

MAYOR WOODWARD: That's a lot to digest.

(Laughter.)

MR. KOGELNIK: Well, if you have anything that deals with OPWC, you now know who to call.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. All right. We'll move on then to special reports. Police Chief Brent Milhoan?

CHIEF MILHOAN: Yes, Mayor and members of Council, every five years we're required to buy new body armor—more commonly known as bullet-proof vests—for our officers. This is year that we're required to replace the current vests for our officers. At our last Safety Committee meeting, I received approval from the committee to go ahead and make application for the body armor grant, which is through the Ohio Attorney General's Office. We submitted the grant. We did receive an email back that they received the grant. The email said that an award decision would be determined within 30 days. So, we're expecting to hear something within 30 days. The last time we applied for the grant, I think we heard back in about 14 days. When I hear back, I'll keep you posted as to where that's at.

Second thing is I would like to publicly thank Gemma Construction. They recently donated \$7,500 to the Police Department. If you're not familiar, Gemma is the construction company that's building the second power plant. They made the donation and said it was to be used for whatever we felt was necessary. I would assume that would be some type of equipment or something that we feel that the Police Department needs. Obviously, anything over \$1,000, I would still need approval for, but I just wanted to publicly thank them. It was a sizeable donation that they made. We appreciate their contribution.

Last thing is I submitted my monthly report for April of 2025 electronically to all of you. If you have any questions, I will attempt to answer them. That's all I have, Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Are there any questions for Brent?

MR. SHEELY: Yeah, Brent. Did you get a report today about an Amazon van driving through a garage door?

CHIEF MILHOAN: It didn't drive through the garage door—

MR. SHEELY: Well, not through it, but—

CHIEF MILHOAN: Yes. We had taken a report last week. The homeowner—if I have the facts right, and I think I do—the homeowner came out around, I'll say 3:00 in the afternoon. Everything was fine. Came back out around 5:15ish and saw damage to his garage door. The garage door was closed. There was damage to the door. He assumed that possibly it was from a delivery driver, an Amazon driver, because he did receive a package. So he made a report with us. Captain Bordonaro investigated the incident, and today just before I left for work we found out that the driver had pulled in there into the driveway to make a delivery. He indicated that he was getting off the road because, I believe, there was a bus or something close to him. Didn't realize that he didn't put the van in park, exited the van and went to deliver the package

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and then realized the van was still moving. He was not able to stop it and it struck the garage door. He didn't notify the homeowner at that time. He didn't notify us. I'm not sure—we can speculate he was scared. I don't know but we were able to determine what happened. We spoke to his supervisor today, and they assured us that they would make restitution with the homeowner.

MR. SHEELY: He had the press out there today.

MS. BLANK: Press for an Amazon truck—

MR. SHEELY: Yeah, he had two—21 News out there today.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Are there any other questions for Brent?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
We'll move on to Fire Chief Travis Eastham?

CHIEF EASTHAM: Yes, Mayor. I also would like to publicly thank Gemma. They also donated \$7,500 to the Fire Department for equipment or whatever was needed.
Remind everyone we still have tickets for the dinners. The money goes to the Apple Cider Festival Committee. The firefighters are doing this in conjunction with the Apple Cider Festival Committee to raise some money for that. So all the profits are getting donated to them. That's it.

MAYOR WOODWARD: And tickets are on sale all week and even Saturday?

CHIEF EASTHAM: Yeah, there should be leftover. We should be able to accommodate some people on Saturday, I would imagine, if they didn't get them by then.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Does anybody have any questions for Travis?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Planning and Zoning Administrator, Kellie Bordner is not here. She didn't leave anything for me. Did she leave anything for you?

MR. BLANK: No.

MAYOR WOODWARD: We'll move on to Parks, Grounds, Buildings, Street Superintendent, Martin Nelder. He is not here. However, he left something and that is that he would like to "ask the Mayor and Council to approve hiring Daniel Garlough for the full—time position at the Village Park. Daniel was chosen from three candidates after careful consideration. And the Street Department and the Parks Department have been busy keeping up with the mowing and weed eating, drainage work, patching roads and also were able to remove two large trees posing a hazard at the Village park by the pond. We will be starting to roadside mow this week if weather cooperates.
Also, I have an MOT plan for Salt Springs Road crossing for the Warren waterline project. It will be a trenchless crossing. I will leave a copy for Mr. Liming." Did you get that?

MR. LIMING: Yes.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. And then did you have anything? All right. Other than that, I have nothing for Parks, Grounds, Buildings. We'll move on to correspondence. I do have a piece of correspondence. I was asked to read this under correspondence. This is a text message sent from Dan Crouse to Chris K and subsequently to Chris Peterson. On or about April 2, 2025, Chris Peterson then forwarded it to Councilman Jamie Moseley, who has asked me to read this.

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"See below from Mr. Crouse. I'm not going to call him back or respond to him until I talk to you. Chris, not sure if you are aware but the rezoning hearing for that 40 acres is next Wednesday in Lordstown. Please be sure that Chris Peterson and those on the BPA know that getting the zoning will mean that Lordstown gets the location for the pump station in exchange. I would strongly suggest that being done by phone call rather than email. Be sure and have those members of the BPA talk to the people on the Zoning Board so that they're aware of it and this needs to be expedited. George is going to talk to his contact on Village Council, Jamie Moseley, but other members of the Village Council need to know all of this, as well. I think in order for it to work for you, it needs to go from Zoning to Village Council and they need to pass it as an emergency measure. Attorney Tom Nader will be representing the Commerce Center at the hearing and probably again in front of Council." Signed Jamie Moseley.

Is there any other correspondence?

MR. BLANK:

No.

MAYOR WOODWARD:

Anyone want to respond?

(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Okay. We'll move on then to public remarks. Are there any public remarks?

(NO RESPONSE.)

Hearing none, we'll move on to Council remarks. Are there any Council remarks?

MS. BLANK:

I guess just eminent domain. I know it's a big thing, and I know no one really wants to do it, but we honestly should vote and make a decision so we can move forward before we lose funding.

MR. SHEELY:

I agree with Jessica.

MS. BLANK:

I harassed the commissioners for money, so I would like to not lose it. (Laughter.)

MAYOR WOODWARD:

Any other Council remarks?

(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Committee reports. Finance, Robert Bond?

MR. BOND:

I have no report this evening, Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD:

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

MR. LIMING:

Yes. We got four pieces of legislation tonight I'd like to see passed all emergency.

MAYOR WOODWARD:

You know, I did have a question on the MOT. You had mentioned that it needed to come forward this Council meeting. We didn't talk about that at your meeting. Do we need to—

MR. KOGELNIK:

So, what the Streets Committee should be talking about is the MOT for each one of the three crossings and making sure you understand them and you approve them like you did with me with Brunstetter. I asked you questions about what you would accept. You gave me answers. We told them what the Village would want to do. That's what you need to do eventually with Salt Springs Road since we just got it last Wednesday. I was on vacation. You have a copy now in your mailbox. Martin, when he gets back, you'll need to talk with Martin and we should put an official response together.

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MR. LIMING: We did for Brunstetter. We told them our wishes that we'd like to keep a lane open, but we said if it's an emergency, a safety hazard for the public or busses, that they have to close —

MAYOR WOODWARD: Does there have to be official legislation for that?

MR. KOGELNIK: Matt, if there are changes in the way that those two roads are crossed—I'm talking about Brunstetter and Salt Springs Road—then does the agreement with Warren and Lordstown have to be changed?

SOLICITOR RIES: Well, we held off on approving it until we made a final decision.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. There it is right there.

SOLICITOR RIES: So I need to just revise it however we're going to do it and then we can have the legislation for that.

MR. KOGELNIK: So now that we have Salt Springs and Brunstetter in hand, we should be in a position to approve that at least by the next meeting. Now, Brunstetter is about two weeks away they tell me.

MR. LIMING: They're going to wait until school is over.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, which is fantastic—

MR. LIMING: We don't have to worry about it.

MAYOR WOODWARD: But we still need to get that approved.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah.

MAYOR WOODWARD: It just dawned on me that we didn't do that.

MR. KOGELNIK: The Street Committee should talk about it at their next meeting and then for the next Council meeting, you should have that as an agenda item.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Got it? Okay. Anything else?

MR. LIMING: You'll get legislation?

SOLICITOR RIES: I'll get the Ordinance.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Anything else for Parks, Buildings?

MR. LIMING: No.

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

MR. MOSELEY: I have no report tonight, Mayor.

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

MR. SHEELY: I have no report tonight.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Public Utilities, Ernie Bowen?

MR. BOWEN: I don't necessarily have a report, but I guess I could have brought this up in caucus. This is for Matt. We have a rate increase on sewage coming up for the ten—year agreement that was made. Do I need legislation to amend?

SOLICITOR RIES: I'd have to look at it. It's already in the agreement, the rate increases?

MR. BOWEN: Yeah, there's an agreement. I know it was amended in '23.

SOLICITOR RIES: All right. Let me look at the agreement and I'll get back to you.

MR. BOWEN: Okay.

MAYOR WOODWARD: I thought it should just change automatically. We wouldn't have to approve anything.

MR. BOWEN: I read the previous one that said "changed and amended as." So I just thought we might. That's it.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Planning and Zoning, Jessica Blank?

MS. BLANK: My report is about Mobile Market. I know they were here last Thursday. Their coolers weren't working so they did have to leave. I know they didn't really notify anyone, so

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Kellie was calling. They were not able to reschedule for us this month. They are planning on coming in June. I do know they are coming this month to Imperial the 16h from 10 to 11:30.

I guess one of the big issues is attendance. I know I'm sure the winter weather is not great, but they're honestly looking for like 20 to 25 people and that doesn't count, like, spouses from the same address to keep it going. That makes sense. Hopefully, once the weather—please God, get better—it will be nice and people can come. They said we're the biggest fresh produce buyers in the area, so take advantage of it.

MAYOR WOODWARD:
MR. BLANK:

Thank you. We'll move on to legislation.
From Board of Public Affairs for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE TO INCLUDE AN EXTRAORDINARY MATTER IN THE AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL REPRESENTATION, AS AMENDED, FOR MATTHEW M. RIES, ESQ., OF HARRINGTON, HOPPE & MITCHELL, LTD, TO PURSUE EMINENT DOMAIN LITIGATION TO SECURE PROPERTY FOR A WATER BOOSTER STATION RELOCATION IN THE VICINITY OF THE STATE ROUTE 45 AND HALLOCK—YOUNG INTERSECTION IN LORDSTOWN, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR WOODWARD:
MR. SHEELY:

Are there any motions?
I think we need to get this passed and stop kicking the can plain and simple.

MAYOR WOODWARD:
MR. SHEELY:

All right. What's your motion?
Suspend the rules.

MAYOR WOODWARD:
MS. BLANK:

There's a motion to suspend the rules by Mr. Sheely.
Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD:
MR. BLANK:

And second by Blank. Roll call.
Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND:

I'll give a reluctant yes and explain it when I vote on the Ordinance.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Bowen?

MR. BOWEN:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING:

No.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Moseley?

MR. MOSELEY:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Miss Blank?

MS. BLANK:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY:

Yes.

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

MAYOR WOODWARD:

5, ayes; 1, nay. The motion is carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?

MR. MOSELEY:

So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD:

Motion by Moseley.

MR. BOWEN:

Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD:

Second by Bowen. Any discussion?

MR. BOND:

Yes. First is a question, Matt. Once they pick a location, does that come back here for action from Council?

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SOLICITOR RIES: Normally, these get approved. We're on the defending side. We're not initiating a lawsuit. What I would want to do is once we pick a location and once we have a game plan lined up for the location and is it going to be a taking of a parcel versus just an easement, I would want that to be approved by Council as a whole.

MR. BOND: Okay. That makes sense. I really question whether or not there's time for them to have any action occur and get everything done before the October 1st deadline. So, I would encourage to keep looking at other parcels, maybe even on the west side of the road. I know there's considerable expense getting under 45. It's likely less than \$200,000 and still be ahead to do that. If we don't get it done in time, it's out. So, I will have a reluctant yes vote on it—I mean a no vote for the passage. I had a reluctant yes on the emergency.

MAYOR WOODWARD: All right. Any other discussion?

MS. BLANK: Yeah, I think no one wants to do it. I think it's just been dragged out so long we just need to make a decision. Everyone is out of solutions and no one has really offered anything else, so.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Anything else?
(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. Liming?

MR. LIMING: No.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?

MR. BOWEN: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND: NO.

(VOTE: 4, AYE; 2, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: That was two—

MR. LIMING: Two nos.

MAYOR WOODWARD: 4 yes; 2, no. The motion is carried to adopt. This would be Ordinance 20-2025.
Go ahead.

MR. BLANK: From Streets, Sidewalks, Public Parks, Buildings, Grounds, and General Improvement Committee, **AN ORDINANCE IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL OF THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE GEAUGA-TRUMBULL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, FOR EMERGENCY PASSAGE.**

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

MR. LIMING: So moved.

MR. BOND: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming and second by Bond. Roll call.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?

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MR. LIMING: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
 MR. BOWEN: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
 MS. BLANK: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
 MR. BOND: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.

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

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

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

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 21-2025.
 MR. BLANK: From Council as a Whole for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN TO ENACT CONSENT LEGISLATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5521.01 AUTHORIZING THE OHIO DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROCEED WITH ANY AND ALL NECESSARY SYSTEMATIC 2-LANE SIGN REPLACEMENTS ON STATE ROUTE 45 WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN, PID NO. 112198, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?
 MS. BLANK: So moved.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank.
 MR. SHEELY: Second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Sheely. Roll call.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.

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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.

(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. Is there a second?
 MS. BLANK: Second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Blank. 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. Motion carried to adopt Ordinance 22-2025.
 MR. BLANK: From Streets, Sidewalks, Public Parks, Buildings, Grounds, and General Improvement Committee for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF AERO-MARK COMPANY FOR THE 2025 LORDSTOWN ROAD STRIPING PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?
 MR. LIMING: So moved.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.
 MR. MOSELEY: Second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley. Roll call.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
 MR. LIMING: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
 MR. BOWEN: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?

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MS. BLANK: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
 MR. MOSELEY: 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 suspend the rules.
 Is there a motion to adopt?
 MR. BOND: So moved.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond.
 MR. LIMING: Second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Liming. Any discussion?
 (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
 Roll call.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
 MR. BOND: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
 MS. BLANK: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
 MR. BOWEN: 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 adopt Ordinance
 23-2025.
 MR. BLANK: From Streets, Sidewalks, Public Parks, Buildings, Grounds,
 and General Improvement Committee for Emergency
 Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE
 VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN TO ACCEPT THE BID
 OF AUSTINTOWN LOCK & KEY IN CONNECTION
 WITH THREE HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE DOORS AT
 THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND
 DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?
 MS. BLANK: So moved.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank. Second?
 MR. BOWEN: Second.
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Bowen. Roll call.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
 MR. BOND: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?
 MR. BOWEN: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?
 MS. BLANK: Yes.
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
 MR. LIMING: Yes.

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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?

MS. BLANK: So moved.

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

MR. SHEELY: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Sheely. 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. The motion is carried to adopt Ordinance
24-2025. Last piece.

MR. BLANK: From Streets, Sidewalks, Public Parks, Buildings, Grounds,
and General Improvement Committee for Emergency
Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE
PURCHASE OF ONE NEW 2025 TSI WESTERN STAR
47X SALT TRUCK THROUGH THE OHIO
COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FROM
THE WESTERN STAR, 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. Moseley?

MR. MOSELEY: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?

MS. BLANK: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bowen?

MR. BOWEN: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: Yes.

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

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?
MR. LIMING: I'll make that motion.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.
MR. MOSELEY: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley. 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. Motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 25-2025.
Is there any old business?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Hearing none, we'll move on to new business. Can I have a motion to accept the resignation of Edward Hock aka "Buster" with an effective date of May 18, 2025?
MR. BOND: So moved.
MR. LIMING: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond and a second by Liming. Any questions?
(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.
Can I have a motion to appoint Ed Hock to be an auxiliary officer effective—would we make it effective May 19th, then?
CHIEF MILHOAN: That's fine.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. We'll make it effective May 19, 2025. Is there a motion for that?
MR. LIMING: So moved.
MR. BOND: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming and a second by Bond. Any discussion?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

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COUNCIL: All in favor?
Aye.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

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

MAYOR WOODWARD: The motion is carried.
Can I have a motion to approve the hiring of Daniel
Garlough for full time at the Village Park. This would be
pending completion of a background check and physical.
He'll start when all the results are back and satisfactory.
MR. SHEELY: I'm not going to support this.
MAYOR WOODWARD: What? I'm sorry?
MR. SHEELY: I'm not going to support his hiring. I think these jobs should
be for Village residents and Village people as long as they're
physically and mentally capable of doing stuff. I don't think
that there's any work up there that's that difficult to do. I'll
just say nay or whatever, abstain.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Well, I need a motion though.
MR. LIMING: I'll make the motion.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming. Is there a second?
MR. BOWEN: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Bowen. Any discussion other than what Mr.
Sheely shared?
MR. BLANK: You can vote no, you can't abstain.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All in favor?
MR. BOND: Aye.
MR. BOWEN: Aye.
MS. BLANK: Aye.
MR. LIMING: Aye.
MR. MOSELEY: Aye.
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?
MR. SHEELY: No.

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

MAYOR WOODWARD: That was five ayes and 1 nay. So the motion is carried.
Is there any other new business?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Hearing none, is there any additional public remarks?
(NO RESPONSE.)
Hearing none, is there a motion for adjournment?
MR. BOND: So moved.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond.
MS. BLANK: Second.
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Blank. 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. Meeting is adjourned. Thanks, everyone.

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**(WHEREAS, THE REGULAR MEETING BEFORE THE
VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:20 P.M.)**

_____, 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
My commission Expires May 9, 2027