

Village of Hamersville

Village Council Meeting

27 Apr 2026

The Council of the Village of Hamersville met in regular session at the Village Municipal Building on 26 Oct 2025 at 7PM. Members present were Beverly Coomer, Tammy Keller, Jerry Seibert, Lindsey Marshall, Cheryl Toppin, Charles Elliot. Also, present were Mayor Justin Jones, Police Chief Guy Sutton, Travis Stone Police Officer. Tim Saylor Village Administrator, David Grimes Village Solicitor

Citizen

Kyle Lawson, Cash Day, David Smiley, Amy Smiley, Angela Marlow

The meeting was called to order at 7:07Pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Justin: Since we have allot of guests why don't we do participation first.

Dave Smiley: Here for support for Frank Fussnecker, we would appreciate the vote, he is a lifeling farmer, very intelligent and is asking for support. I'm a trustee in Franklin. If you have questions for Frank I can give his number, he's not being hidden or is he hiding, he feels he does not need to be in council business. Also he has to work with both commissioners.

Bev: Where is he a trustee?

Dave: He's in Franklin

Bev: Is he taking a stand on the data centers.

Dave: He is, but he feels the Mt Orab issue is possibly too far along. But it does need to be addressed.

Justin: Mt Orab and the county does not need to grow that much.

Dave: He has questioned the water election. He met with the nuclear site to ask the good and the bad.

Angela: Is this about Fussnecker, he has an NDA.

Dave: No he does not, he knows nothing more about this than we do in this room.

Bev: If he is elected will he live stream.

Dave: Yes he is live streaming and he will resign from the water board.

Justin: Now anyone else?

Angela: Something mentioned about an economic plan he would not disclose. Addressed to Tim.

Tim: It is contract sensitive and I wanted to ask David about it first.

Angela: Your council would be the one to negotiate a contract. And I on looked on those deeds and you all said you would look into this, has that been looked at. (Mentioning variances that were signed without council seeing them) I take that as a no. How many acres is needed for a CAUV. Ten acres from my understanding. Edgar Saylor has property that has an 03 code which means its part of the village but part of his farm is an 06 code which means its part of the Township. That code needs to be changed to 06.

Tim: They are separate properties.

Angela: I want my council to understand who knows about this plan. You, Justin, Jerry. My next thing was an agenda and how its enforced.

Tim: I did the agenda.

Angela: If you change the agenda and not follow Robers rules. It was voted on once and it was not voted on three times. Public participation is at the end.

Justin: I've never made people wait.

Tim: How does this not follow Robers rules?

Angela: Old business, new business. There are arguments and sometimes the meeting takes hours.

Justin: we agreed to a five minute time limit and you have now been at ten. I disagreed with this and that's why we are doing participation now.

Kyle Lawson/Cash Daily: 527 Main St. Need a conveyance for an old garage. Its 12 ft behind, but 15 feet from the property line. We have plans for a 20x30 garage and need a permit to build one.

Jerry: Explained the necessary steps to get the variance approved through the building office in Mt Orab as well as the sign off from the neighbors who would have to agree to the variance.

Tim: we need to move that one up.

Justin: We have to decide that at the next meeting.

Tim: Sign in passed around for Mar 4th meeting.

Cheryl Motions to pay the bills Lindsey 2nds

ChuckY, Jerry Y, Tammy Y, Bev Y

Bev: Pay the bills but there are 4 charges on is 14K to Excel what's that for?

Tim: 3 Pumps, 4 \$500 power cords a new motor, two of the pumps were 4K each by themself. Because of the size of the pump.

Bev: Was this one transaction?

Tim: The pumps and the motor were ordered separate. Had to do it that way.

Bev: We have the vac truck now so who is the company we are paying?

Tim: Its the Peoples bank our bank.

Justin: Pac Power is done now?

Tim: Yes; a couple of things we need to have the effective date of my raise for 2-28-26. And Louie and Charlene effective date of their raise should be 3-28-26 Melissa just stated it needs to be in the minutes. The next thing would need to be in executive session

Jerry: I move to enter an executive session pursuant to ORC 121.22 G 1 to consider the employment and compensation of a public employee, including potential accommodations.

Jerry Motions Cheryl 2nds

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Tammy Y, Lindsey Y, Bev Y, Chuck Y

Jerry Motions to leave the executive session. Bev 2nds

All Yes

Cheryl 2nds

Tammy Y, Chuck Y, Lindsey Y, Bev Y

Bev excused herself from the executive session to discuss Officer Travis Stones evaluation and potential pay raise.

Cheryl Motions to leave executive session. Tammy 2nds

Chuck Y, Jerry Y, Lindsey Y Bev was excused from the session.

Jerry Motions, Tammy 2nds

Chuck Y, Lindsey y, BevY, Chuck Y

Jerry motions to enter an executive session pursuant to ORC 121.22 G 1 to consider the employment and or discipline of public officials and employees related to personnel file compliance.

A list of documents which are required but not in councils/mayors personnel file was covered so that all could be made current.

Chuck Motions to leave executive session Lindsey 2nds

Tammy Y, Bev Y, Jerry Y, Cheryl Y

Tim: My pay percentage needs to be addressed so we need to have a day that we can have a finance meeting.

Also; council meetings that need to change because of Holidays

COUNCIL MEETINGS

2026

April 27, 2026

May 25, 2026 (Holiday – change to 18th?)

June 22, 2026

July 27, 2026

August 24, 2026

September 28, 2026 (Fair week – change to 21st?)

October 26, 2026

November 23, 2026 (Thanksgiving week – change to 16th or 30th?)

December 28, 2026 → 14th

Jerry Makes the motion to accept the new scheduled dates for the meeting dates in question. Cheryl 2nds

Tammy Y, Chuck Y, Bev Y, Lindsey Y

Tim: Covers list of committees.

Angela: On the committee sheet one thing it points out is the pro tempore appoints to the committees.

Tim: Yes, if we have no volunteers they must be appointed.

Angela: I want my council to chair the committees. And I want to be on them

Bev: Which ones do you want to be on?

Committees were agreed upon as per the next page. A discussion ensued about what committees citizens should be on. Also, about which council members chair each committee only two are records which is required to be chaired by the mayor and safety which is chaired by the police chief.

COMMITTEES

Records

Justin - Chair
Melissa
Jerry
Cheryl

Policy & Procedures

Jerry - Chair
Beverly
Lyndsey

Utilities

Chuck - Chair
Beverly
Jerry

Finance

Beverly - Chair
Tammy
Jerry
Melissa
Tim

IT

Jerry - Chair
Travis
Cheryl

Recreation

Justin - Chair
Dale
Tim
Jerry
Guy
Heather

Grants

Jerry - Chair
Beverly
Tim

Safety

Guy - Chair
Cheryl
Chuck

Tim: 2nd reading for the sewer rate increase. We are being charged \$2285 more a month. We should be able to break even right now but we are losing \$1.75 per 1000K gallons increase was \$2.00. We aren't raising the minimum it is the overage. And Oct 1st it goes up to \$8.

Angela: If it goes up \$8 we pay x amount over a thousand?

Tim: \$4.75 citizens pay, and we pay Mt Orab \$6.50. Making a \$1.20 per 1k gallon does not even pay the electricity at the pump station.

Justin: Reads Ord 2026-03 Establishing updated sewer rates. 2nd Reading \$76 3000K gallons, \$9.20 for each additional 1K Gallons.

A discussion about what the rate is and what the minimum is ensued. The discussion ended with an agreement that the village cannot lose money on utilities.

Justin reads ORD 2026-03 For Sewer Rates 2nd Reading

Bev: Oct 1st next raise?

Tim: Going up \$1.50

A discussion about waive and suspend the additional readings to determine if this would be allowed.

Bev Motions Lindsey 2nd To have another meeting on May 4th

Chuck Y, Tammy Y, Jerry Y, Cheryl Y

Bev: Mentioned the price of our tap fees.

Tim: We are not pricing people from coming to Hamersville. If you are out of town, you are close to \$40K if not more. Here are the minutes from Lake Waynoka. They charge \$50k.

Bev: They are minimums.

Tim: Its 9-1200 dollars to dig and run lines with a tap thats \$200 by itself. Crocks are 10k that was 2 years ago, and that is without a pipe pump and other hardware.

Justin: We would be losing money. We are trying to cover the cost of doing business.

Tammy: Why just Waynoka.

Tim: They are more than us and when I mentioned this at the other meeting I was told I was wrong. Our price is \$14,500 and I'm told we are pricing people out of coming to town. The reason is that if they are not used they pose a greater risk during freezing.

Jerry Motions Bev 2nds Updated Crock, Water Tap,

Tammy Y, Lindsey Y, Chuck Y, Cheryl Y

Do not have copy David Grimes is writing the ORD.

Jerry Motions Chuck 2nds for Electric Meter Removal Pricing 3 hour minimum at \$150 an hour plus the cost of a meter cap at current market cost.

Lindsey Y, Bev Y, Tammy Y Cheryl Y

Jerry Motions Chuck 2nds For Crock Removal

Lindsey Y, Tammy Y, Chuck Y, Bev Y

Jerry Motions for Pool Fill Ordinance 04-2026 Chuck 2nds

Lindsey Y, Tammy Y, Chuck Y, Bev Y

Jerry: Here is a question to David and Angela. This would not effect any citizen but give them a benefit. But if we do this and read it three times.

Angela: Do you want my opinion.

Jerry: Yes please.

Angela: If you feel this is something the citizens may want to comment on than no. But something like this most would not find an issue with this so that seems reasonable.

Jerry: David do you agree.

David: Yes

Jerry Motions To waive and suspend the three readings for Ordinance 04-2026 Discounted rate for pool fill up.

Tammy 2nds

Lindsey Y, Chuck Y, Cheryl Y, Bev Y

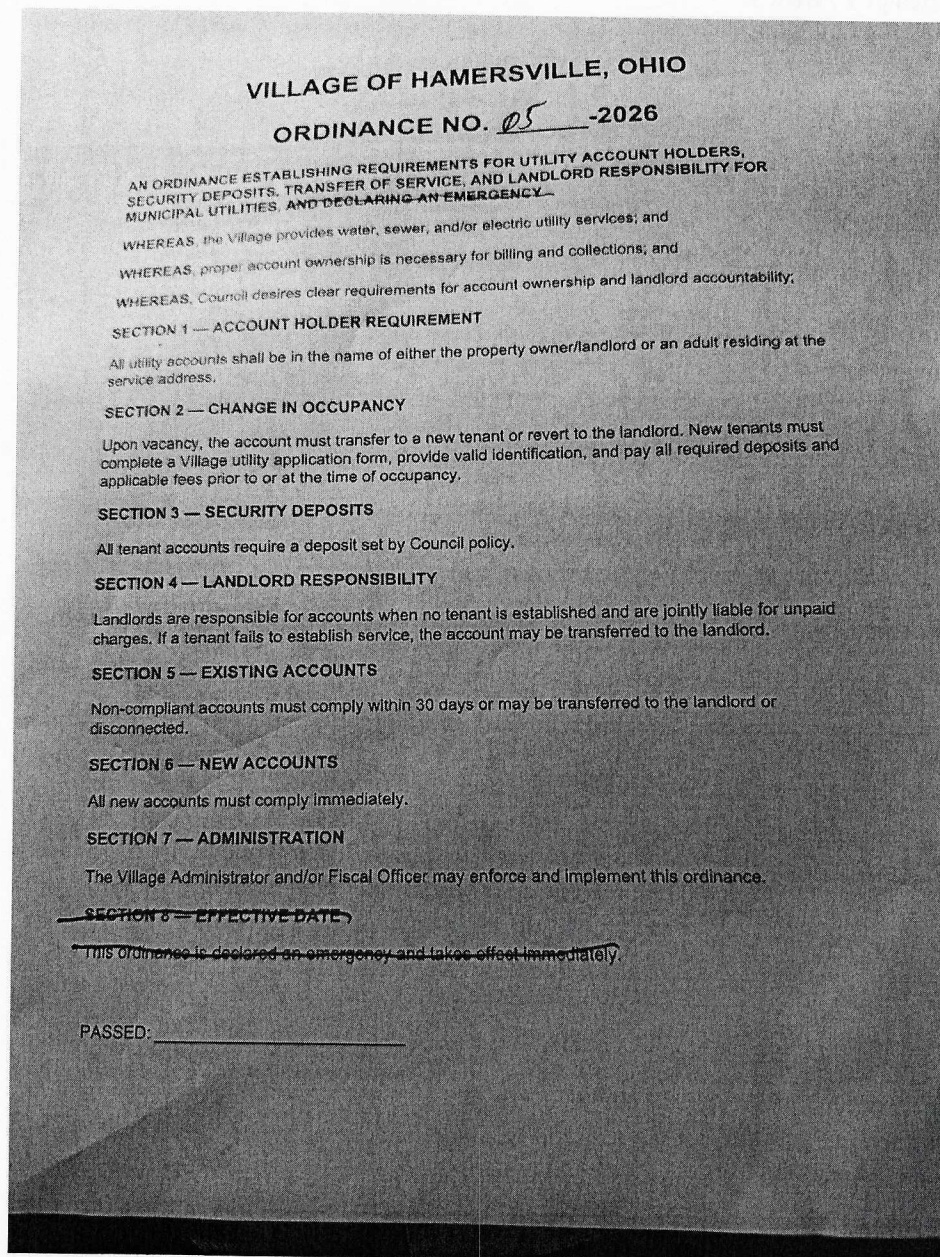
05-2026 Was introduced and discussed. The synopsis of the billing, if a tenant does not pay a final bill. Then the outstanding balance would then transfer to the homeowner/landlord. Some residents have lived in houses for some time their utilities are not even in there name.

One issue that needs to be addressed is the outstanding balances which are in the utility account and those which are excessive. We voted to assess the major bills to the taxes that are on the list to follow up on.

Jerry Motions for 05-2026 establishing requirements for utility account holders, security deposit, transfer of service. Justin read the Ord

Cheryl 2nds

Chuck Y, Tammy Y, Bev Y, Lindsey Y



Angela suggested to waive and suspend the reading of the utility bill ord. The public would not necessarily have anything to confer on.

Jerry: Mr Grimes do you concur?

David: Yes

Jerry Makes the motion to waive and suspend the 3 readings for ORD 05-2026.

Chuck 2nds

Tammy Y, Lindsey Y, Cheryl Y, Bev Y

Tim: One more ORD for the quarterly committee meeting.

Justin Read ORD 06-2026

A discussion was had about some of the particulars.

Justin: There was some discussion about trying to circumvent the chair.

Bev: Is this legal?

David: You are home rule.

Bev: Once we pass this that's the way it is and this is legal.

David: Home rule would allow you to operate you want to.

Jerry: I don't like 9 and 10. We should all be adults. By a super majority we could eliminate any position. To threaten council removal is ridiculous we are adults and should act as such.

Bev: Is section 7 specific enough about Sunshine law.

Angela: This would be considered a special meeting.

Tim: This would not be a special committee meeting it would be a regular meeting.

Bev: I'm with Jerry if we remove 9 and 10.

Jerry Motions to accept 06-2026 Committee meeting ord with 9&10 removed.

Bev 2nds

Tammy Y, Chuck Y, Cheryl Y, Lindsey Y

VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 06 -2026

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REQUIRED QUARTERLY COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND PROCEDURES

SECTION 1 — COMMITTEES COVERED

Finance, Utilities, IT, Policy & Procedure, Recreation, Grants, Safety.

SECTION 2 — MEETING FREQUENCY

Each committee shall meet no less than four (4) times per year. Additional meetings may be held as necessary.

SECTION 3 — CALLING MEETINGS

Chair, Mayor, Village Administrator, Fiscal Officer, or majority may call meetings.

SECTION 4 — FAILURE OF CHAIR

Meetings may proceed without the Chair, with Chair approval.

SECTION 5 — PRESIDING

Chair presides when present. If absent, a committee member may preside. The Mayor, Village Administrator, or Fiscal Officer may facilitate the meeting.

SECTION 6 — AGENDAS

Agendas may be prepared by the Chair, Mayor, Village Administrator, Fiscal Officer, or collaboratively.

SECTION 7 — NOTICE

Time, place, general purpose required.

SECTION 8 — ATTENDANCE

Members expected to attend.

SECTION 9 — NON-PARTICIPATION

3 consecutive absences or 50%.

SECTION 10 — REMOVAL

Council may remove.

FIRST READING: _____

SECOND READING: _____

PASSED: _____

Jerry: we had a policy and procedure meeting. This is a call out compensation. The question was about Louie. We know Travis lives in Georgetown and hes eating in Eastgate and Guy calls and says we need you. Or like Louie is halfway to Dayton. This would ensure that Travis/Louie or whoever is called and now are heading here. That we pay them from that point going forward.

If this call comes at midnight and we have water shooting out of main st. This authorizes Tim to make the necessary adjustments to the time clock then.

Bev: The village administratorquestions.

Justin: We have pack power or something going on, this allows for flow instead of rigidity.

Cheryl: Do we have a schedule of who is on call when.

Jerry: We could strike section 11 if you want. But we do need some control.

Angela: Mentioned Louie what if he is way out of town.

Justin: so we need to vote on this?

Cheryl Motion to Accept the on call emergency call out policy. Striking section 11.

Jerry 2nds

provisions where applicable.

Section 9 — Timekeeping Requirements

Employees shall accurately record the time the emergency call was received, the time the call concluded, the time travel began, arrival on-site, and completion of work or time relieved from duty. Supervisors and/or the Village Administrator may review and adjust time entries as necessary to ensure accuracy and compliance.

Section 10 — Failure to Respond

Employees assigned to on-call duty who fail to respond to an emergency call without valid justification may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Village personnel policies.

Section 11 — Authority and Administration

The Village Administrator shall have the authority to interpret, administer, and make reasonable adjustments to this policy to ensure compliance with applicable laws and operational needs.

Village of Hamersville

On-Call and Emergency Call-Out Compensation Policy

Section 1 — Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish clear procedures and compensation guidelines for employees of the Village of Hamersville who are designated as on-call and required to respond to emergency situations outside of normal working hours.

Section 2 — Scope

This policy applies to all Village of Hamersville employees who are assigned on-call duties by their department, supervisor, or the Village Administrator.

Section 3 — On-Call Status

Employees designated as on-call shall remain reasonably available and able to respond to emergency calls within a timeframe established by their department or supervisor.

Section 4 — Initiation of Compensable Time

When an on-call employee receives an emergency call from an authorized Village official—including but not limited to the Village Administrator, Mayor, Police Chief, or Department Head—compensable work time shall begin immediately upon the conclusion of that phone call.

Section 5 — Travel Time Compensation

Compensable time shall include travel time beginning immediately after the employee concludes the call and departs for the work site.

Section 6 — Minimum Call-Out Guarantee

Any employee required to respond to an emergency call shall be compensated for a minimum of two (2) hours of pay, regardless of the actual time worked. If the total time worked exceeds two (2) hours, the employee shall be compensated for actual hours worked. Multiple call-outs occurring in close succession may be treated as a single continuous event at the discretion of the Village Administrator.

Section 7 — Duration of Compensation

The employee shall remain on the clock and continue to be compensated until the emergency situation has been fully addressed and all necessary repairs or actions have been completed, or the employee is officially relieved from duty by an authorized Village official.

Section 8 — Rate of Pay

All compensable time under this policy shall be paid in accordance with the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), the Ohio Revised Code, and all applicable Village personnel policies, including overtime.

Lindsey Y, Chuck Y, Tammy Y, Bev Y

Tim: As administrator do we need to get rid of the section that allows me to have authority to guide people.

Bev: Reads section 7 that this section allows you to be able to guide people as needed.

Guy: Ordinance Resolution for bond raise for \$25 across the board for mayors court cost increase.

Bev: What is the rate?

Guy: \$125 court cost raise this to \$150

Bev: Still every three weeks.

Guy: The fines are quite low, the court cost is quite low. 5 over mph is only \$35.

Cheryl: The fines are set by the state.

Guy: The state sets limits we are not even close.

A discussion was had about the ordinance as a misunderstanding was had by Jerry believing this was an old ordinance we were updating.

Jerry Motions to raise court costs an additional \$25 across the board.

Tammy 2nds

Cheryl Y, Chuck Y, Lindsey Y, Bev Abstains

Bev: He got a \$2 raise because of the K9. He lost the K9 but we allowed him to keep the K9. The paper work would be wrong.

Tim: You shouldn't be talking about his pay anyway.

Jerry Motions to raise Travis Stone Police Officer pay to \$22.50 a 4% raise for the previous three years which were not evaluated. Effective 4/25/26.

Tammy 2nd

Cheryl Y, Chuck Y, Lindsey Y, Bev Abstains

Tim The next meeting will be a busy meeting.

Memorial Day Event May 23rd

Justin: Trying to get the Legion to come up and do an honor guard.

Tim: Can I shrink down the pool policy and the trash and grass policy? We could send them out now with the bill. IT would cost \$350 to send out.

Cheryl: The trash and grass is passed.

Jerry: We passed this as a civil matter but we would have to pass this as a criminal manner if it is not a criminal manner the police cannot charge them.

Bev: So if you did not have a criminal record so after this even if you have had a clean record your whole life this would change that.

Tammy: Why cant we do what Georgetown does and just cut it.

Tim: That would be a civil issue and if they do not pay that and we assess to taxes than we may not see this for years. We could enforce this better if it were a minor misdemeanor.

Bev: Its not about the money its about the criminal record.

Jerry: We cannot fine them the court would have to take them to small claims court.

Heres the issue with this. We have someone with an apartment building where they turned a house into an apartment building. By all rights they should have three tap charges. We also have people putting water into crocks from sump pumps. But we cannot do anything about it because these are civil issues not criminal.

Travis: We would be doing warnings anyway.

Tim: I could hand out the orange flyer if someone is coming to cut your grass you have to pay the \$120.

Tammy: we should look at this at the next meeting.

Bev: If grass is to high, or there's trash, they want all of those.

Justin: Whose they.

Bev: What do you do your grass is to high, there's grass on the sidewalk, now your gutters are dirty.

Tammy: That sounds like an HOA, I'll volunteer my time, Justin said he would volunteer their time and see if we can help some of these people.

Justin: I'm not going to initiate this. We would set the rules and the people need to comply.

Jerry Motions to adjourn Lindsey 2nds

Pierce
Cheryl Toppin Cheryl Pierce

Lindsey Marshall Lindsey Marshall

Bev Coomer Beverly Coomer

Tammy Keller Tammy Keller

Jerry Seibert Jerry Seibert

Charles Elliot Charles Elliot