

VILLAGE OF FARMERSVILLE

Minutes of Village Council Meeting

Monday, December 8th, 2025

On Monday, December 8th, 2025, The Farmersville Council met in regular session, Mayor Nick Lamb called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and followed by roll call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Holderman, Ms. Hadley, Mr. Sears, Mr. Smith

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Derek Shell, Kelly Marascio

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Erisman, Jim Erisman, Holly Stebbins, Traci Alford, Martha Moyer, Matt Thaxton, Richard Dils, County Commissioner, Mary McDonald.

Mr. Holderman moved, Ms. Hadley seconded to approve the meeting minutes from November 10th, 2025. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; abstain, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to approve the bills for this period 244-267-2025 and warrants 38185-38196 and warrants 1000-1014 totaling \$52,877.24. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Eric Craig arrived at 7:05pm

VISITOR COMMENTS: Montgomery County Commissioner, Mary McDonald introduced herself and explained she has been attending local municipality council meetings throughout the 2025 year. With the intent to better understand the needs of the communities in Montgomery County.

Mayor Lamb informed Ms. McDonald the Village has been trying to lower the speed limit to 35MPH on Farmersville-Gratis Rd to allow golf cart traffic from the Lake of the Woods into the village. Mayor Lamb said the thought behind lowering the speed limit would bring more patrons to the village businesses. Ms. McDonald asked Mayor Lamb to send her an "ask" letter about lowering the speed limit. Mayor Lamb also asked for grant money from the county to pave the alley and construct a retaining wall between 14 and 18 W. Center St. Mayor Lamb explained the alley serves two businesses located in the Village.

POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: Mayor Lamb reported for Chief Bruner. Mayor Lamb reports Jackson Township Trustees approved a 3% pay increase for full time officers and increased part-time officers to \$30.00 per hour.

FIRE ASSOCIATION COMMENTS: Chief Erisman announced the Fire Association recently had their holiday party where several firefighters received yearly service awards. Chief Erisman asked Mayor Lamb to attend an upcoming meeting for the volunteer firefighter dependent fund. Mayor Lamb agreed. Chief Erisman asked the Village to pay for the oranges handed out to village residents during "Christmas in the Village".

LAW DIRECTOR COMMENTS: none

MAYOR COMMENTS: Mayor Lamb gave an update from Miami University's Geography and Urban Planning Department. The final report will be available in January. Mayor Lamb discussed the possibility to convert the community center into an event center, this would allow revenue to be generated for the park. Mayor Lamb reports the only revenue the park receives comes from the community center. Mayor Lamb announced Christmas in the Village is scheduled for December 13th, 2025.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Mr. Shell announced power outages in the village are a problem, and recently met with a representative from AES. The representative explained the village is located near the end of their service line therefore, an increase of outages can occur. Mr. Shell reports a high percentage of the outages are due to trees falling on service lines located on Farmersville-West Carrollton Rd. Mr. Shell reports AES is planning on trimming these trees. Mr. Shell reports the PFAS sampling at the water treatment plant came back "non-detect", another test will occur in October 2026. Mr. Shell reports the generator for the water treatment plant is staged and ready for wiring. Mr. Shell reports a new pump at the water plant has been installed. Mr. Shell reports the school has requested for the water to be shut off at the old Junior High building. Mr. Shell reports the school has completed the jointing and relining of the sewer lateral at the old high school building and wants the village to accept ownership of the lift station. Mr. Sears suggests to wait for a significant rainfall to determine if the lift station is functioning properly. Mr. Shell gave a park update. Mr. Shell reports to replace the pool at the park is estimated at 1.5 million, the pool would be 1.3 million and a splash pad would be \$200,000. Mr. Shell reports renovating the existing pool is estimated at \$200,000 and grant money may be available for a splash pad. Mr. Shell reports the pool renovation would include moving the slide into the deeper area of the pool, stainless steel gutters plate and walls, keeping diving boards, and removing baby pool.

Matt Thaxton asked if there would be a public park meeting for community input. Mayor Lamb reports there will be a public joint park meeting to discuss the future of the pool/park.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT: Ms. Marascio announced the 2025 permanent appropriations need to be amended to allow for Mr. Shell's \$5000.00 bonus for receiving the 2025 Public Servant Award. Ms. Marascio reports the 2026 permanent appropriations are ready for the final read and council vote. Ms. Marascio reports the 2026 permanent appropriations include 2026 employee pay previously discussed in executive session and would like the pay increases to be voted on by council in a public meeting. Ms. Marascio reminded the personnel committee the Table of Organization needs updated to reflect the 2026 employee pay.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to increase Mr. Morgan's salary to \$32.50 an hour. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to increase Mr. Younce's salary to \$27.00 an hour. Roll Call: Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Cunningham; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to increase Mr. Shell's salary to \$88,940 per year. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to increase Ms. Marascio's salary to \$45,320 per year. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to increase on call pay to \$100.00 per week. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Sears seconded to donate \$5000.00 to Community Action Mission Program. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

LEGISLATION:

Mayor Lamb the third and final reading of O2025-10 and O2025-11.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to approve O2025-10, an ordinance to establish the permanent appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of The Village of Farmersville, Montgomery County, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2026. Roll Call: Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Cunningham; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to approve O2025-11, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Farmersville to enter into the attached agreement for police service with Jackson Township. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to approve O2025-12, an ordinance to amend the permanent appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of The Village of Farmersville, Montgomery County, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2025 and declaring an emergency. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to approve R2025-04, a resolution authorizing the request for an advance of taxes collected for the year 2025 (collection year 2026) and declaring an emergency. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Sears moved, Mr. Smith seconded to approve a resolution in support of The Village of Farmersville's acquisition of property owned by the Valley View Local School District located at 202 Jackson Street, Farmersville, Ohio for the purpose of future residential development. Roll Call: Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Cunningham; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Smith; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS: Mr. Sears reports the pool fund is \$315,000 and the yearly levy revenue is \$72,000. Mr. Sears suggests to add a park report to the council meeting agenda. Ms. Marascio said she would add it starting in 2026. Mayor Lamb reports the Jackson Township Trustee prefer a new levy at the new property values, but are unsure if the levy should be on the spring or fall ballot.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Lamb reports four council seats are expiring at the end of 2025. Mayor Lamb explained since none of the council members pulled a ballot for the November 2025 election, these seats will be reappointed in January. Mayor Lamb explained HB331 discourages Villages to have appointed council members. Mayor Lamb asked council how to encourage council members to pull a ballot. Council decided to have a special meeting on December 17th at 4:00pm to discuss council terms.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

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

At 8:03pm, Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: Mr. Holderman; yes, Ms. Hadley; yes, Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Sears; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Smith; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Attest:

Kelly Marascio

Finance/Tax Administrator, Kelly Marascio

Nick Lamb

Mayor, Nick Lamb