

# **COUNCIL CAUCUS MINUTES**

**Monday, August 4, 2025 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Immediately Following the Regular Meeting of Council  
Mayfield Village Civic Hall -Mayfield Village Civic Center  
6622 Wilson Mills Road, Mayfield Village, Ohio**

The Council of Mayfield Village met in Caucus Session in Mayfield Village Civic Hall at the Mayfield Village Civic Center on Monday, August 4, 2025 immediately following the Regular Meeting of Council. Council President Schutt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council President Schutt asked, Ms. Garbo, may I have a Roll Call, please?

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Arndt, Mr. Gall, Mrs. Juncisek,  
Mr. Marquardt, Mr. Meyers and Mr. Schutt

Also Present: Mayor Bodnar, Ms. Rich, Ms. Calta,  
Mr. Cappello, Chief Carcioppolo, Chief Matias,  
Mr. Marquart, Ms. Echt, Mr. Russell, Mr. Stupczy,  
Ms. Wolgamuth and Ms. Garbo

Absent: Mr. Murphy

Council President Schutt stated, please let the record reflect that Councilman Denny Murphy is excused from this evening's meeting.

## **PENDING LEGISLATION**

Council President Schutt stated, a Public Hearing on the following proposed Charter Amendments, Ordinances 2025-07 to 2025-12 is scheduled for Monday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Upon Third reading following the public hearing on August 18<sup>th</sup>, and passage and signature by the Mayor, these proposed amendments will be submitted to the electors for a vote.

- **Ordinance No. 2025-07**, entitled, "An Ordinance amending the Village Charter to permit Village Council to meet virtually in limited circumstances." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration). (First Reading – June 16, 2025; Second Reading –

August 4, 2025; Public Hearing August 18<sup>th</sup>) (Upon Third Reading and passage and upon signature of the Mayor, this legislation will be submitted to the electors for a vote.)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

- **Ordinance No. 2025-08**, entitled, “An Ordinance amending the Village Charter to update the public notice and hearing provisions for certain Ordinances to require notice on digital platforms as well as in a newspaper of general circulation.” Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration). (First Reading – June 16, 2025; Second Reading – August 4, 2025; Public Hearing August 18<sup>th</sup>) (Upon Third Reading and passage and upon signature of the Mayor, this legislation will be submitted to the electors for a vote.)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

- **Ordinance No. 2025-09**, entitled, “An Ordinance amending the Village Charter to clarify which Administrative positions are included in the classified service and unclassified service and subject to Civil Service.” Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration). (First Reading – June 16, 2025; Second Reading – August 4, 2025; Public Hearing August 18<sup>th</sup>) (Upon Third Reading and passage and upon signature of the Mayor, this legislation will be submitted to the electors for a vote.)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

- **Ordinance No. 2025-010**, entitled, “An Ordinance amending the Village Charter to remove the ability of the Board of Zoning Appeals to grant use variances in non-residential districts.” Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration). (First Reading – June 16, 2025; Second Reading – August 4, 2025; Public Hearing August 18<sup>th</sup>) (Upon Third Reading and passage and upon signature of the Mayor, this legislation will be submitted to the electors for a vote.)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

- **Ordinance No. 2025-11**, entitled, “An Ordinance amending the Village Charter to remove all references to January 1, 1975 and replace them with “the effective date of this

Charter.” Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration). (First Reading – June 16, 2025; Second Reading – August 4, 2025; Public Hearing August 18<sup>th</sup>) (Upon Third Reading and passage and upon signature of the Mayor, this legislation will be submitted to the electors for a vote.)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

- **Ordinance No. 2025-12**, entitled, “An Ordinance amending the Village Charter to remove the requirement for a Petitioner’s Committee for Nominating and other Petitions.” Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration). (First Reading – June 16, 2025; Second Reading – August 4, 2025; Public Hearing August 18<sup>th</sup>) (Upon Third Reading and passage and upon signature of the Mayor, this legislation will be submitted to the electors for a vote.)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

- **Ordinance No. 2025-13**, entitled, “An Ordinance amending the Mayfield Village Codified Ordinance Section 1153.02(g) relating to Class U-7 Prohibited Uses to prohibit any additional assisted living, memory care and/or nursing home facilities in the Village.” Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration). (First Reading – June 16, 2025; Second Reading – August 4, 2025) (Ordinance 2025-13 will be referred to Planning and Zoning. After recommendation from the Planning Commission, and upon Third Reading and passage, this legislation will take effect immediately upon signature of the Mayor. )

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) **Representation of Indigent Defendants charged under Municipal Ordinances (Law Department)**

Council President Schutt asked, Ms. Calta?

Ms. Calta stated, the Chief will tell you that most, if not all the charges are under State Code. We don’t have a lot of charges that go under our municipal ordinances. That has to do with if there are sentences that could be subject to jail time, they are put under the State Code so that we are not responsible for paying for that jail time. Nonetheless, there is a requirement to have this

agreement for the representation of indigent defendants in place. If any of you read it, Mr. Gall did ask me some questions. It's a tortured path of who is paying who and who is reimbursing who. I did ask the question as to why it needs to follow the path that it does because the Agreement is set up so that the Village pays for this representation but then it is reimbursed by the County after they are reimbursed by the state. My question was why we need to pay if the costs are ultimately reimbursed. But it is a legal requirement that we have this agreement in place and if we have it in place, it obligates us to make the payment even though we ultimately will be reimbursed for it. Angie, sorry, we have to set it up in that fashion. I would love to make it more efficient and handle it differently, but that's how the agreement is set up and legally that is the way we need to proceed. If there are any questions, I can answer them.

Council President Schutt asked, any questions?

There were none.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Ms. Calta.

**2) Purchase of 2025 Chevrolet Silverado with emergency lighting upfit (Tim Lally Chevrolet - \$65,161.53) (Police Department)**

Council President Schutt asked, Chief Matias?

Chief Matias stated, thank you, Council President. We are looking to replace a 2015 Charger that's in our fleet that's by far the oldest vehicle. It's 10 years old. They don't make Chargers anymore. We have been working on getting a pick-up truck for a couple of years now. It will be far more useful for us as a utility vehicle. It's not going to be set up to be a patrol vehicle so it won't rotate out of our fleet as quickly. We will probably have it as long as the vehicle holds up. Just like this car, we will have it anywhere from 8-10 years. It will just be a lot more functional for us. We got a quote from Tim Lally. Normally we use Statewide for our vehicles, but they can't get any Chevy's. Tim Lally has all of their cars at State bid price. Again, we are looking to replace the old Charger with this vehicle.

Mr. Gall asked, is it a 4-door?

Chief Matias replied, yes.

Mr. Gall asked, full-length bed?

Chief Matias replied, depending on what you mean by full length. It's about 5 or 6.

Mr. Arndt asked, what's the reason for a pick-up truck instead of just an SUV? Is it more cost-effective?

Chief Matias replied, I can check on the price. The last time I looked, I think the pick-ups were actually cheaper. But, again, since it's not going to be a patrol vehicle, we have stuff all the time where we have to close roads, move traffic, cones, traffic signs. We have four generators that we put out when we have the regular power outages. Right now we load up the generators in the patrol cars and get them out. With all the special events we do, just having a pick-up truck that we can load stuff up with is a lot more useful. A while ago, we actually grabbed one of Service's old pick-up trucks but that caught on fire.

Mr. Arndt stated, so it's not like a car that is going to be used on a regular basis. Is there really a need for something that expensive if it's not going to be utilized?

Chief Matias replied, we are going to utilize it. It's just not going to get the miles like a patrol car. With the patrol cars we have to turn those over after just a couple of years. Because it's not going to be out every day like the rest of our fleet, we anticipate having it a long time. Just like the car we have now, it's a 2015.

Mr. Meyers asked, how many miles are on it? None. Right? There's no miles, so 10 years, like you said it will be sitting more than they use it.

Chief Matias replied, we could really use a pick-up truck. We are always out moving stuff around and having to get stuff to places quick. The pick-up will be of a lot more use to us.

Council President Schutt asked, and then it will be four wheel drive then too, right?

Chief Matias replied, yes.

Mr. Gall asked, are you going to get a bedliner?

Chief Matias replied, absolutely. That's on the list.

Mr. Meyers asked, what color?

Chief Matias replied, I don't think we picked a color yet. I'm sure it's probably going to be black because it's whatever they have.

Council President Schutt asked, the total cost, that's completely outfitting it, right? Whatever you need?

Chief Matias replied, yes.

Council President Schutt asked, any other questions or comments?

There were none.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Chief.

**3) Annual Street Striping (Pat Flowers, Inc. - \$46,006.68 )(Engineer)**

Council President Schutt asked, Mr. Cappello?

Mr. Cappello stated, yes, Council President. We requested proposals from four contractors. Three of them submitted bids. Pat Flowers was the lowest. We have used them for many years in the past.

Council President Schutt asked, any questions? They are going to do that before winter, right?

Mr. Cappello replied, yes.

Council President Schutt asked, anybody else?

Mr. Gall asked, you have used them in the past? The bid is significantly lower than anybody else.

Mr. Cappello replied, yes, we have.

Council President Schutt asked, any other questions?

There were none.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Mr. Cappello.

**4) Road Program – Asphalt maintenance and pavement repair throughout Village (Ronyak Paving - \$442,961.00) (Engineer)**

Council President Schutt asked, Mr. Cappello?

Mr. Cappello stated, yes, Council President. We had 5 bidders. Ronyak was the lowest \$442,961.00. The Engineer's Estimate was \$485,000. Ronyak did our 2023 Road Program. They are good contractors. That's my recommendation to use them. The maintenance program this year is basically to keep the existing streets that we have, we are doing crack sealing and some full depth and partial depth repairs on the existing streets to prolong their life until we can get full programs in.

Mr. Arndt asked, does that include Beta Drive?

Mr. Cappello replied, no.

Mr. Arndt stated, Beta Drive is really bad. Just really bad. With those semis coming in and out, it's bad.

Mr. Cappello replied, this is basically an asphalt street maintenance.

Council President Schutt asked, that will be done before winter as well?

Mr. Cappello replied, yes.

Council President Schutt asked, any other questions?

There were none.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Mr. Cappello.

**5) Approval of salt bid (Cargill - \$63.99 a ton) (Service Department)**

Council President Schutt asked, Mr. Stupczy?

Mr. Stupczy stated, ODOT has awarded the salt bids for the 2025-2026 season. We will be using Cargill at \$63.99 a ton. This is the first year they are taking an early order. Our salt dome is relatively speaking empty because of the heavy winter we had last year. We are going to get 1,000 to fill it up and get ready for the winter and then we will get the rest through the season.

Mr. Meyers asked, you asked for 3,500 tons?

Mr. Stupczy replied, yes, to backfill our deficit from last year.

Mr. Arndt asked, what was the cost last year?

Mr. Stupczy replied, \$49.98.

Mr. Gall asked, we have no idea how the State does these bids? Geauga County was \$48.00. We are at 69? Lake County was at \$51.00. There has to be some agreement through the State.

Mr. Stupczy replied, it's an agreement we entered into in May.

Mr. Gall asked, they do the assigning?

Mr. Stupczy replied, yes, I don't know how they did that.

Council President Schutt asked, any other comments or questions?

There were none.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Mr. Stupczy.

**Any Other Matter That May Come Before Council**

Council President Schutt asked, are there any other matters to come before Council this evening?

There were none.

Council President Schutt stated, since there are no other matters, the meeting is adjourned. It is 8:37 p.m. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Betsa, MMC

Clerk of Council