Andover Village Council Meeting (11 June 2025)

A meeting of the Andover Village Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 11 June 2025 at the Andover Village Hall, 134 Maple Street, Andover, Ohio, in accordance with the rules of notification.

IN ATTENDANCE.

VILLAGE OFFICERS

Mayor Lillian Brooke

Solicitor Christopher Newcomb

Village Administrator Richard Mead

Village Fiscal Officer Cathryn A. Williams

Police Chief Christopher Baker

Zoning Inspector Lara Reibold

Councilmembers by roll call: G. Randy Gentry - present

Margo Hornyak – present Alicen Limestoll - present Richard K. Orahood - present

E. Curt Williams - present

VISITORS

Glen Day Gerald "Jerry" DiBell Carol Fox (arrived at 5:20) Michelle Peterson

MINUTES AND REPORTS. The following minutes and reports were presented for council's review prior to the meeting.

- 1. Council meeting minutes for 13 May 2025
- 2. Bills
- 3. Mayor's report
- Fiscal officer's report 4.
- Administrator's report (provided at the meeting) 5.
- Police chief's report 6.
- 7. Zoning inspector's report
- Andover Union Cemetery Board minutes for 22 May 2025 8.

INTRODUCTORY MATTERS.

- 1. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag and was followed by the roll call.
- 2. Oath of office. Councilmember Gerald "Jerry" DiBell was sworn into office by the solicitor to fill the vacancy of former councilmember Raymond French. Councilmember Dibell's term ends December 31, 2025.

- 3. Council minutes for 13 May 2025. Since no corrections or changes were necessary, Councilmember Williams moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilmember Limestoll seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember DiBell; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Motion carried.
- 4. Bills. Councilmember Williams moved to approve payment of the bills and to allow the fiscal officer to pay additional bills which will come due in June. Councilmember Gentry seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember DiBell; yes. Motion carried.

VISITORS.

1. Hometown Hero flags. Michelle Peterson, representative of the Hometown Heroes Flag Committee for the Eagles Club, addressed council regarding a flag that she does not think should be allowed to fly on the square because the veteran is not a local resident. The solicitor advised that this is not an issue for council. Council recommended she resolve the matter with those who are responsible for the program.

<u>REPORTS OF OFFICERS.</u> The following officers presented, reviewed, and commented upon the reports and other matters noted.

MAYOR

1. Mayor's report. For the month of May, the village received \$525.00 in fines from the Andover Mayor's Court.

FISCAL OFFICER

1. 2026 Tax Budget. The fiscal officer reminded council that the annual tax budget hearing is set for 4:30 p.m. before the July council meeting.

ZONING INSPECTOR

- 1. Board of Zoning Appeals. The zoning inspector reported on the actions taken by the board at the Tuesday, June 10^{th} meeting.
- 2. Extension of permit. The zoning inspector asked council if they would allow an extension to an *Accessory Use* permit, she previously issued for a shed. The resident has not moved forward to build on the lot and has requested a 2-year extension. The solicitor advised that the extension of the permit was her decision to make. He added that the resident may use the appeals process if he does not agree with her decision.

COMMITTEES.

There were no committee reports presented.

CORRESPONDENCE.

There was no correspondence.

<u>LEGISLATION</u>. The mayor read the titles of the following legislation presented for council's consideration.

- 1. 2nd Reading, **Resolution No. 2025-13-R**, a resolution appointing Mark Limestoll to the Village of Andover Zoning Appeals Board for the term commencing April 1, 2025, and ending March 31, 2030, and declaring an emergency.
 - •Councilmember Gentry moved to declare an emergency. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember DiBell; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; abstain. Councilmember Williams; yes. Motion carried.
 - •Councilmember Williams moved to waive the 3 readings. Councilmember Gentry seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; abstain. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember DiBell; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Motion carried.
 - •Councilmember Williams moved to act. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; abstain. Councilmember DiBell; yes. Motion carried.
- 2. 1st Reading, **Resolution No. 2025-14-R**, a resolution approving the Mutual Aid Agreement between The Village of Andover and all participating agencies under such mutual aid for police and enforcement measures and not declaring an emergency.
 - •Councilmember Limestoll moved to waive the 3 readings. Councilmember Hornyak seconded the motion. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember DiBell; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Motion carried.
 - •Councilmember Williams moved to act. Councilmember Gentry seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Dibell; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS.

- 1. Emergency Services meeting. Councilmember Limestoll reported on discussions from the June 9th meeting held by County Commissioner Casey Kozlowski and State Representative David Thomas regarding emergency medical services in southeast Ashtabula County.
- Waive water bill. The fiscal officer asked council to consider waiving her water bill for a month to help compensate for the cost of watering the rec park flowers from her residential water. Councilmember Hornyak moved to waive the water bill for 275 Chestnut Street for 1 month. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Williams; abstain. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember DiBell; yes. Motion carried.
- 3. Water leak. Carol Fox said she received notice that she had a water leak at her residence but she believes her meter is broken. The administrator said it is a small leak and the meter is operating as it should, although it sometimes "falls asleep" and can be woke by

shining a light on it. He said he will have a member of the village crew check to see what's going on.

OLD /UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

There was no old/unfinished business.

ADJOURNMENT.

Councilmember Williams moved at 5:36 to adjourn. Councilmember Limestoll seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember DiBell; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Motion carried.

Fiscal Office