Andover Village Council Meeting (13 May 2025)

A meeting of the Andover Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 13 May 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

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VISITORS

Glen Day

Warren Dillaway, The Star Beacon

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

- 1. Council meeting minutes for 8 April 2025
- 2. Bills
- 3. Mayor's report
- 4. Fiscal officer's report
- 5. Administrator's report
- 6. Police chief's report
- 7. Zoning inspector's report
- 8. Work session minutes for 23 April 2025
- 9. Andover Union Cemetery Board minutes for 24 April 2025

INTRODUCTORY MATTERS.

- 1. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag and was followed by the roll call.
- 2. Council minutes for 8 April 2025. Since no corrections or changes were necessary, Councilmember Orahood moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Motion carried.

3. 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 May. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Motion carried.

VISITORS.

1. AMERICA25-OH. Lara Reibold, who is with the local committee for AMERICA250-OH, which commemorates the 250th anniversary of the United States and Ohio's integral role in that event, said so far, there are not any 2026 calendar events scheduled around the area, therefore a large crowd could be expected for Andover's *March Movies and Entertainment Month* event which is a showing of the movie *Inherit the Wind* and a documentary of the Ashtabula train disaster. They are looking to see if the showings can be held at the school auditorium.

<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 April, the village received \$345.00 in fines from the Andover Mayor's Court.

ADMINISTRATOR

- 1. Street paving. Councilmember Orahood asked when the paving of highway 85 east would be done. The administrator said there is a backlog of available trucks which deliver the materials needed and it has slowed the project. He does not have a completion date.
- 2. Limb & branch pick-up. Councilmember Limestoll asked when limb & branch pick-up would resume. The administrator said the rainy weather has prevented the crew from accessing the waterlogged drop-off site. They need at least 4 dry days to be able to do the pick-ups.

<u>COMMITTEES.</u> The following committee reported upon its deliberations and made the recommendations noted.

COUNCIL WORK SESSION.

1. Minutes of 23 April 2025. The group recommended appointing Gerald "Jerry" DiBell to fill the vacant seat of former councilmember Raymond "Buddy" French.

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, **Ordinance No. 2025-8-O**, an ordinance accepting and approving the Emergency Management Services Contract between the Village of Andover and the Ashtabula County Board of Commissioners for a two (2) year term commencing

- retroactively from 1 January 2025 and ending 31 December 2026 and declaring an emergency.
- •Councilmember Williams moved to declare an emergency. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Motion carried.
- •Councilmember Williams moved to waive the 3 readings. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Motion carried.
- •Councilmember Williams moved to act. Councilmember Gentry seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Limestoll abstained from the vote. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Motion carried.
- 2. 1st Reading, **Resolution No. 2025-10-R**, a resolution approving the appointment of Gerald "Jerry" DiBell as councilmember for the Village of Andover to fill the vacancy of former councilmember Raymond "Bud" French for the term ending December 31, 2025, and declaring an emergency.
 - •Councilmember Hornyak moved to declare an emergency. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Williams; yes. Motion carried.
 - •Councilmember Williams moved to waive the 3 readings. Councilmember Limestoll seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Motion carried.
 - •Councilmember Williams moved to act. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Motion carried.
- 3. 1st Reading, **Resolution No. 2025-11-R**, a resolution appointing Shannon Rowe to the Village of Andover Zoning Appeals Board for the term commencing April 1, 2025, and ending March 31, 2028, and declaring an emergency.
 - •Councilmember Gentry moved to declare an emergency. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Williams; yes. Motion carried.
 - •Councilmember Limestoll moved to waive the 3 readings. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Motion carried.
 - •Councilmember Gentry moved to act. Councilmember Limestoll seconded the motion. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Motion carried.

- 4. 1st Reading, **Resolution No. 2025-12-R**, a resolution appointing Theresa Crouch to the Village of Andover Zoning Appeals Board for the term commencing April 1, 2025, and ending March 31, 2029, and declaring an emergency.
 - •Councilmember Orahood moved to declare an emergency. Councilmember Gentry seconded the motion. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Motion carried.
 - •Councilmember Gentry moved to waive the 3 readings. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Motion carried.
 - •Councilmember Williams moved to act. Councilmember Limestoll seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Motion carried.
- 5. 1st 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. Due to lack of a quorum for the vote, the resolution will move to a second reading.

NEW BUSINESS.

- 1. Council meeting day/time change. The fiscal officer asked council to consider changing the time of the council meeting, from 7:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., for the summer months to accommodate oncoming councilmember DiBell who will be working second shift at his job. After discussion it was necessary to change the day of the meetings from Tuesday to Wednesday to accommodate the village solicitor who is unable to attend an earlier meeting on Tuesday's. Councilmember Limestoll moved to hold the day and time of the council meetings, until further notice, to Wednesday's at 5:00 p.m. Councilmember Orahood seconded the motion. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Motion carried.
- 2. Change of Mayor's Court clerk. The fiscal officer reported that Nicholle Petrowski replaces former clerk Ruth Elizabeth "Beth" Swartz as the part-time mayor's court clerk and will need approval to access the mayor's court on-line bank account and to sign checks against the account. Councilmember Williams moved that the Andover Village Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to execute on behalf of Andover Village all documents required by The Andover Bank to confirm that Nicholle Petrowski has replaced Ruth Elizabeth Swartz as the mayor' court clerk and is authorized to be a designated signer for the account and to have on-line access to the account. Councilmember Limestoll seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Motion carried.
- 3. Summer work sessions. Councilmember Williams moved to suspend the May through August work sessions of council. Councilmember Gentry seconded the motion.

Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Motion carried

OLD /UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

There was no old/unfinished business.

ADJOURNMENT.

Councilmember Williams moved at 7:31 to adjourn. Councilmember Limestoll seconded the motion. Councilmember Williams; yes. Councilmember Limestoll; yes. Councilmember Orahood; yes. Councilmember Gentry; yes. Councilmember Hornyak; yes. Motion carried.