

VILLAGE OF CRIDERSVILLE COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting – May 6, 2025
10:00a.m

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

Mayor Rick Walls called the regular meeting to order and lead with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Solicitor Jim Hearn was absent and Council Member Shaun Wenrick

Present: Mayor Rick Walls, Council Members: Eric West, Dorance Thompson, Stacey Cook, and Dylan Lauck were present. Also present: Police Lieutenant Truex, Village Administrator Jarid Kohlriseser, and Darci Motter Fiscal officer

Bailey moved to excuse Wenrick West seconded. 5-0 passed

It was moved by Bailey and seconded by Lauck to accept the minutes from April 14, 2025, regular council meeting and April 26, 2025, special meeting minutes. passed 5-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Committee of the Whole: No Report

Utilities & Surface Water: Bailey stated our village administrator has signed a contract with AMS(Advanced Microbial Solutions) to bring in a trailer unit to help reduce and clean our wastewater lagoons that has accumulated a thick sludge blanket at the bottom. Global Electric also installed temporary power out to the lagoon to provide power for the project. That project is scheduled to start sometime in the next month. We are still working with engineers to get plans and designs together for a new project to replace the lift pumps at the wastewater plant that are deteriorating and are in dire need of replacement.

Planning: Lauck stated our village administrator is working with Midnet Media, who is our webmaster for our village's website, and they are currently in the process of redesigning the site. The current website was built back in 2013 and many changes and updates need to be done for the website for it to function and work properly. The estimate to update and redesign our website is estimated around \$5,000. We also had three zoning violations for the month which all have been brought into compliance.

Finance: West stated Our village administrator submitted a grant through CDBG for slums and blight for the property located at 120 W. Main Street. We will not find out if our project is selected until later this year.

Park: Cook stated Global Electric came in and installed new automatic door timers for the Legacy Park Pavilion restrooms. These door openers can be set to be locked and unlocked at a scheduled time so that they can be locked after park hours without needing anybody physically having to do so. Our village administrator met with Scott Cisco with Auglaize County Solid Waste District regarding a new recycle center site within Tower Park. That meeting discussion was then brought before the Parks Committee on April 29 for further discussion.

Lastly, Buehler Paving has started the reconstruction of the Legacy Park parking lot. Paving of that lot should be completed within the next couple weeks.

Streets: Thompson stated The Cridersville Lions Club signs that are posted as you enter the village were taking down, redone, and have been reinstalled which was no cost to the village. Also, one of the village's

trees in front of the Cridersville Nursing Home was uprooted last month due to strong winds. Thompson also asked that villagers do not mow their grass into the streets as it clogs the storm system and our water has nowhere to go.

Properties: Mayor Walls stated Dotson's Plumbing & Heating was in to replace our water heater at the Village Hall at a cost of \$1,417.40. Also, our small dump truck had to be taken out to Miller's Auto due to the fuel tank leak which resulted in that tank being replaced. Then our Ford pickup was taken to RRR tire for a set of new tires at a cost of \$848.70

Lastly, the McElroy Auction that was held on April 19 resulted in the village purchasing the property located at 115 W. Sugar Street for \$15,500. The plans for that lot are still undetermined at this time.

Safety:

Fire: No Report

Police:

129 Calls 38 medic 2 Tickets 5 warnings 1 Arrest (stolen Car) 5 Assist

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2512. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE NECESSARY TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR THE VILLAGE OF CRIDERSVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR THE YEAR 2025

Motion to approve Resolution 2512 was made by West and seconded by Bailey **5-0 Passed**

Resolution 2513: A Resolution to amend Resolution #2511 #2508 #2501 Making permanent appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Cridersville, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025, and declaring an emergency

Motion to approve Resolution 2513 made by Cook and Seconded by West **5-0 Passed**

Resolution #2514 A resolution to approve necessary reallocation of funds for the village of Cridersville and declaring an Emergency.

Motion to approve resolution 2514 made by West seconded by Lauck **5-0 passed**

Resolution #2515 A resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into contract for the purchase of real property and mobile home at the address of 115 W Sugar Street and 120 West Main Street Cridersville, Ohio and declaring it an emergency

Motion to approve resolution 2515 made by West seconded by Lauck **5-0 passed**

West stated they had a safety meeting on Monday May 5th, 2025 to discuss applications for our new Police Chief we currently have 5 applications; Also, Lieutenant Truex has been in the Police Force for a long time and is using his connections to find some part time officers to help fill in during this transition. As a small village Cridersville has a hard time keeping up with wages compared to larger cities, and the county pay.

Bailey motioned to give the following raises seconded by West **5-0 Passed**

Donnie chiles promoted to Sargent \$1.00 per hour

Mike Gaines promoted to Corporal \$1.31 per hour

John Haehn \$1.37 per hour

Kohlrieser reminded the council village garage sales are this weekend (May 10th) Village clean-up is May 17th from 8am-12pm and the village is flushing fire hydrants May 9th and 10th. Next Council meeting will be June 2nd.

West motioned to amend the previous motion on raises for Maike Gaines to \$2.00 seconded by Bailey **5-0 Passed**

Cook Mentioned Garden Club will be at Legacy Park on Thursday May 8th 2025 at 6:00pm to clean out the memorial garden if anyone would like to come and help.

Motion to adjourn was made by West and seconded by Bailey. Motion passed 5-0.
Meeting minutes were taken and recorded by Darci Motter

Darci Motter, Village Fiscal Officer

Rick Walls, Mayor