

VILLAGE OF CRIDERSVILLE COUNCIL MINUTES
Special Meeting – August 20, 2025
7:30 pm

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

Mayor Rick Walls called the special meeting to order.

Present: Mayor Rick Walls, Council Members: Dylan Lauck, Dorrance Thompson, Eric West, Stacey Cook, Joe Bailey, and Shaun Wenrick were present. Also present: Police Lieutenant Ted Falke, Village Administrator Jarid Kohlrieser, and Darci Motter Fiscal officer

New Business

Resolution #2517 is a resolution to amend Resolution #2506 to increase the 2025 contracted payment amount by \$10,000.00 to the Cridersville Volunteer Fire Department.

West stated although this is abnormal it is their money, but I do believe we need to build a relationship with the fire department that we are partnering with them financially on all aspects. It's hard for us as a village to keep writing them checks when we only know one side of their business. I don't mind them taking \$10,000 of their money but if their EMS is sitting with \$100,000 we need to know that too.

Mayor Walls stated that the safety committee can be used to build that relationship with the fire department.

Bailey stated that we need more transparency because down the road we will need that if something goes south. We have already talked to Uniopolis and other areas that are really in trouble and they are talking about going to a co-op or district.

Mayor walls suggested meeting with Uniopolis, Waynesfield Buckland, St Johns, get their input on where we may need to go with this, maybe see if the county commissioners would sit in because they are going to be the ones. Mayor walls concluded that we have the promise to our residents that they will receive fire and EMS services from the tax levy.

Motion made by West 2nd by Lauck to approve resolution #2517 6-0 passed

Motioned by West 2nd by Cook to reimburse the Bayliff Funeral home for their donation to the camera project. 6-0 passed.

Dylan brought a pre- employment checklist to council for all new hires going forward

Lateral transfers: Lauck did look at what other smaller villages are doing. Many villages accept the transfer of sick time but there are a lot of contingencies basically stating we want to incentivize you to come but we are too small to get burned, many places are making them sign a 12- or 24-month commitment. If the commitment is broken, they would lose or repay the amount paid out by the village.

Lauck proposed the lateral transfer for up to 240 hours, 6-month probationary period and 24-month commitment. Jarid asked if it is blanketed for all village employees not just police department

Motion made by Wenrick 2nd by Thompson to adopt the proposal Lauck presented for the pay package – First reading 6-0 passed.

Pay Range update for starting wage:
Police \$22.00-\$26.00 Part time
\$24.00-\$27.50 Full time
\$24.00-\$27.50 Corporal
\$24.00-\$27.50 Sargent

West made the motion to add auxiliary police to our pay package 2nd by bailey 6-0 passed

Council discussed cancelation of the Lexipol contract to ask if they would pro rate the months that will be unused.

Council discussed using BC Admin and switching to Delphos tech group for our antivirus and then purchasing Microsoft 360 from Microsoft and not using an IT company to provide Microsoft 360 for the village

Jarid informed council that the commissioners would be at the village hall on August 27th at 7:00pm to discuss the sales and use tax continuation.

Thompson wanted to let council know on August 4th two hybrid wolves broke lose and attacked a woman and her two dogs. The dog warden was made aware of the situation but wanted everyone to be aware of the issue.

Motion to adjourn was made by Lauck and seconded by West. Motion passed 6-0.
Meeting minutes were taken and recorded by Darci Motter

Darci Motter, Village Fiscal Officer

Rick Walls, Mayor