

Held Monday, March 2, 20 26

Public hearing was held regarding renewal application for placement of farmland in an Agricultural District submitted by Edward Shoup of Shoup Drive. No one was in attendance to speak on the public hearing. Director Wheeler gave an overview that this comes every five years. Closed 7:32 pm

Council President Vance called the council meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Prayer and pledge followed by roll call. Excused were Handwerk and Squirrel.

Council minutes of the regular meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup> were presented for approval. Davies motioned to approve those minutes; Lax seconds; all ayes; motion passes.

**Administrative Reports**

Mayor Plybon: Traveled to Washington DC for the American Public Power Association Legislative Rally with Director Brediger, Assist. Director Filippi and Utility Board member Rich Corfman. Met with Senators Husted and Moreno. Discussions included our city's electric system, protecting the local control of public power, keeping tax free municipal bonds, supporting hydro power funding, improving permit funding, and protecting funding like build America bonds. The annual health department meeting was held. Through them we received the Growing Healthy Communities grant which helped fund the 2025 Farmers Market and add playground equipment to the dog park area.

Safety-Service Director Wheeler: Construction ongoing at Depot park. Feral cats program with the Orrville Veterinary Clinic is in the works. Three TNR dates up to 8 cats per session, April 10<sup>th</sup>, May 8<sup>th</sup> and June 12, where volunteers would trap, drop off and pick up at the vet clinic. Training would be available.

Utility Director Brediger: Approximately a dozen resolutions were passed during the business meeting in DC. One was a reform on how the EPA reviews compliance, regulations, acts opposed by EPA, part of which put us on a limited use basis.

Finance Director Strimlan: 2026 final appropriations are on first reading this evening. It will be read on second reading at a special meeting and workshop next Monday. Third reading will be on March 16<sup>th</sup>. This legislation authorizes spending after March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**New Business**

Placed on first reading by Mace. Second by Davies. Approved.

**Resolution 4-26;** A Resolution to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Orrville, State of Ohio, during the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2026, and declaring an Emergency.

Discussion: Budgeted amount for the general, tax supported and utility counts were discussed. The majority of changes are in the proposed capital projects these will be reviewed next week in the workshop.

Placed on first reading by Mace. Second by Lax. Approved.

**Ordinance A-26;** An Ordinance amending the Zoning Map created by Chapter 1101 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Orrville, Ohio, to reclassify a parcel of land located on the east side of Ella Street known as the north part of PP #59-01640.000, consisting of a frontage of 25 feet and depth of 153 feet in the City of Orrville, Ohio, from R-4 (Residential) to C-3 (Commercial).

Discussion: Memo had been sent out. Dravenstott's is zoned C-3 but have these few lots at R-4 and would like to zone them the same C-3. Planning Commission approved.

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**Ordinance B-26;** An Ordinance amending the Zoning Map created by Chapter 1101 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Orrville, Ohio, to reclassify parcels of land located on the west side of Sterling Avenue known as Lots No. 965 (PP #59-01254.000), 966 (PP #59-01264.000) and 2377 (PP #59-01258.000), with an approximate total frontage of 164 feet and a depth of 151 feet in the City of Orrville, Ohio, from R-4 (Residential) to C-3 (Commercial).

Discussion: This is the second part of the previous ordinance. Land owned by Dravenstott's located on Sterling.

Placed on first reading by Mace. Second by Lax. Approved.

**Resolution 5-26;** A Resolution establishing policies for Wayne Street sidewalk installation for the City of Orrville, Ohio.

Discussion: This and the following, 6-26, are for the Wayne Street sidewalk project where citizens petitioned for sidewalks from Homestead Point Drive to Oak Street along the Western side of Wayne Street. Only a handful of lots along here.

Placed on first reading by Mace. Second by Carr. Approved.

**Resolution 6-26;** A Resolution declaring the necessity of constructing sidewalks on certain properties along the west side of Wayne St. from Homestead Pointe Drive to Oak St. in the City of Orrville, Ohio.

Discussion: The first piece establishes the policies and financial expectations. This piece declares the necessity for the sidewalk and enables legislation stating the need and requirement to install the sidewalks in this area. Plans and specifications are completed and on file with estimated pricing for those impacted.

**Service Department 2025 Annual Report – Superintendent Ryan Immel**

Annual report was presented. Copy on the webpage and available in office.

**Good of the Order**

Mayor: Thanked council and administration for the resolutions worked on tonight especially the plans for the sidewalks. Thanked Supt. Immel for his report. Chief Bishop's report next meeting.

Mace motioned to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of considering the purchase of property. Carr seconds. Approved 8:14 pm

Davies motioned to adjourn executive session. Lax seconds. Approved. 8:27 pm

Carr motioned to adjourn the council meeting. Davies seconds. Approved.

Our next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 16 at 7:30 pm with the Fire Department annual report. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Jeanne Gault  
Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

March 16, 2026  
Date

Paul Vance  
Paul Vance, President of Council