

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Regular Meeting / Public

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held

Monday, March 16,

20 26

Council President Vance called the council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Prayer was led by Pastor Gary DeHart. The pledge was recited.

Public hearing was held regarding Ordinance A-26 and Ordinance B-26 zoning map changes for Dravenstott's. Closed 7:32 pm. No public comments. Currently zoned R-4 and requesting C-3 to match their other properties there. Closed public hearing at 7:33 p.m.

Roll call; Carr was excused, all others present.

Council minutes of the regular meeting on March 2nd and the Special Meeting on March 9th were presented for approval. Lax motioned to approve those minutes; Davies seconds; all ayes; approved.

Public Comment

Neither that applied were present.

Administrative Reports

Mayor Plybon: Employee of the month is Julie Vitorella from the Utility Billing office. Thanked the Orrville Utilities for their hard work during the windstorms. Approximately 1,350 customers lost power with 10 broken poles. Congratulated Kristin Hranko for her 24 years with the City.

Safety-Service Director Wheeler: If you have storm debris of limbs or branches, place at the curb and contact the Service Department for pick up. The compost center opens April 1st. The TNR program for feral cats continues with organization for trap dates of April 10th, May 8th and June 12th in coordination with the Orrville Vet Clinic. They will take eight feral cats each of those three days.

Utility Director Brediger: The windstorms had about 20% of customers close to 24 hours without power. We did receive mutual support. The 2025 water quality annual report was distributed to council. Required to be sent to customers and placed on the website. The Utility Board will bring forth some power supply resolutions for the next council meeting

Finance Director Strimlan: Council workshop was held on the 9th to review the 2026 final appropriations. Total appropriations are \$83.4; \$9.4 million to the general fund, \$13 million for the remaining tax supported funds and \$61 million for the utilities. The legislation is on final reading this evening to meet the county auditor's deadline.

President Vance: Happy Birthday wishes to Chief Seiler and Council member Bev Squirrell.

Old Business

Placed on third reading by Squirrell. 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: None.

Squirrell moved that **Resolution 4-26** be adopted as read. Lax seconded. Ayes all; motion carried.

Placed on second reading by Squirrell. Second by Mace. 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

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of 25 feet and depth of 153 feet in the City of Orrville, Ohio, from R-4 (Residential) to C-3 (Commercial).

Discussion: This is a request from Dravenstott's (landowners) to clean up their property parcels that are zoned residential requesting a change to be zoned commercial. This needs to go three readings.

Placed on second reading by Squirrell. Second by Davies. Approved.

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 rezoning request. The house was demolished and is zoned residential. This request is to change the zoning to commercial. It will go three readings.

Placed on second reading by Squirrell. Second by Lax. Approved.

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

Discussion: No discussion. This can be approved at the leisure of council.

Placed on second reading by Squirrell. Second by Mace. 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 necessity and need for sidewalks.

New Business

RESOLUTION 7-26, Squirrell moved that it be placed on first reading. Davies seconds. Ayes all; motion passes. **Resolution 7-26,** A Resolution increasing On-Call Pay for members of the Orrville Fire Department and repealing conflicting Resolutions and declaring an Emergency.

Discussion: The Fire Department staffing policies were enacted in 2023. Staffed 5a-5p at an hourly rate. From 5p-5a is on-call sign up with a \$25 stipend per shift. This will increase the stipend to \$40 to encourage and incentivize them to sign up. No Health and Safety committee meeting was held but can be if desired.

Squirrell moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Lax seconded. Ayes all; motion carried. Squirrell moved that **Resolution 7-26** be adopted as read. Lax seconded. Ayes all; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 8-26, Squirrell moved that it be placed on first reading. Davies seconds. Ayes all; motion passes. **Resolution 8-26,** A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control to enter into a contract and/or contracts for the purchase of certain real property from ELREN Farms, LLC, consisting of approximately 138.29 acres, located in Baughman Township, Ohio and from Renner Development Company Ltd., 3.987 acres, located in the City of Orrville, Ohio, for economic development purposes, and declaring an Emergency.

Discussion: Multiple executive sessions have been held. The financial package will come at our next meeting. Final numbers will be based on the survey. This allows us to enter into a contract to begin due diligence. Contract is contingent on financing and due diligence response. There is some interest for commercial parcels and for industrial.

Squirrell moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Lax seconded. Ayes all; motion carried. Squirrell moved that **Resolution 8-26** be adopted as read. Lax seconded. Ayes all; motion carried.

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Fire Department 2025 Annual Report – Chief Bishop

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

Aspiras motioned to amend Resolution 8-26, Section 3 and ratify approval of same. The motion to remove and replace language in Section 3 as follows; and for the further reason that timely planning and preparation for expended economic development is critical to the future of the City of Orrville. And any references to Firefighters, EMT and on-call pay shall be deleted.

Lax seconds. All ayes; approved.

Good of the Order

Davies: Thanked utilities for getting the power back on for everyone.

Lax: Invited everyone to the April 17th grand reopening of the American Legion with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Mayor: Thanked council for passing Resolution 8-26. We can purchase land for development, which is an important step in our future. Thanked Chief Bishop and the fire department for their outstanding service to our community.

Davies motioned to adjourn. Lax seconds. Approved

Our next regular meeting will be held on Monday, April 6 at 7:30 pm. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Jeanne Gault
Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

April 6, 2026
Date

Paul Vance
Paul Vance, President of Council