MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL

Monday, July 27, 2026

6:30 PM

Village Hall – 21 East Church Street, Lake Orion, MI 48362

(248) 693-8391 ext. 102

1. Call to Order

The July 27, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Ford at 6:30 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

PRESENT
President Pro Tem Stan Ford
Council Member Nancy Moshier
Council Member Michael Lamb
Council Member George Dandalides
Council Member Alex Comparoni Jr
Council Member Eric Papacek

ABSENT
President Teresa Rutt

STAFF PRESENT
Village Manager Darwin McClary
Clerk/Treasurer Sonja Stout
Chief of Police Mark Amundson
Village Engineer Wendy Spence

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to excuse President Rutt from the July 27, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting.

VOTING YEA:	Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY:	None
ABSENT:	Rutt
MOTION:	Carried

4. Presentations

None.

5. Call to the Public

President Pro Tem Ford reviewed the Village Council's public comment procedures, including expectations regarding decorum and disorderly conduct.

Harry Stephen, 311 N. Northshore, commented on the importance of proofreading materials presented to the Village Council and the public.

Donald Kindred commented on roadway striping, constitutional rights, a denied Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, and bench replacements.

6. Approval of Agenda

Council Member Dandalides stated that Mr. DeLuca had proposed potential solutions regarding the No-Mow May initiative but was unable to attend the current meeting or the August meeting. He explained that Mr. DeLuca requested additional time to further develop his proposals and recommended tabling the item until it is ready for Council's consideration.

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to remove item 10. E *Request from Michael DeLuca for Amendment to Noxious Weeds Ordinance to permit No-Mow May*.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to add item 10. E *Sick Pizza Racing Special Event.*

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by Council Member Moshier to approve the agenda for the July 27, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting as amended.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

7. Consent Agenda

All items on the Consent Agenda are approved by one vote.

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to approve the consent agenda for July 27, 2026 Village Council Regular Meeting as presented.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

A. Receive and File of Board of Zoning Appeals Regular Meeting Minutes of May 7, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to receive and file the May 7, 2026 Board of Zoning Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

B. Receive and File of Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to receive and file the Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2026, as presented.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

C. Receive and File of DDA Regular Meeting Minutes of June 16, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to receive and file the Downtown Development Authority Regular Meeting Minutes of June 16, 2026, as presented.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

D. Approval of Village Council Special Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to approve the Village Council Special Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2026.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

E. Approval of Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to approve the Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2026.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

F. Approval of Village Council Special Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to approve the Village Council Special Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2026.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

G. Receive and File Orion Township Building Permit Report from June 15, 2026 to July 15, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to receive and file the Orion Township Building Permit Report from June 15, 2026 to July 15, 2026, as presented.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

H. Receive and File Invoice Distribution Report for July 28, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to receive and file the bills in the amount of $ 367,673.88 of which $ 45,609.24 are DDA bills for a net total of $ 322,064.64 and to receive and file the DDA bills.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

I. Receive and File Investment Report- June 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to receive and file the Investment report for June 2026.
VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

None.

9. Public Hearings

None.

10. Other Items

A. Adoption of Village of Lake Orion 2026-29 Pavement Asset Management Plan

Council Member Papacek sought clarification regarding the condition of the Village's road network. Village Engineer Spence explained that the draft 2023 Pavement Asset Management Plan (PAMP) indicates that a significant portion of the Village's roads have deteriorated over several years. She stated that the Village's objective is to improve road conditions to the state average and then maintain those improvements over time.

Village Manager McClary explained that the Village is currently limited in how Act 51 funding may be used for major and local streets. Adoption of the Pavement Asset Management Plan would provide greater flexibility in utilizing available Act 51 funding for local street improvements. He emphasized that adopting the plan does not establish a special assessment but rather serves as a long-term strategy for improving the Village's road system.

The Village Council discussed the distribution of Act 51 funding between major and local streets, as well as the potential process for future road special assessments.

Harry Stephen, 311 N. Northshore, requested that Council Members use their microphones and commented that improving roads would help increase property values.

Don Connery expressed interest in seeing a color-coded map identifying major and local streets. In response, Village Engineer Spence clarified that the map presented identified major and local streets and was not a special assessment map. Discussion continued regarding special assessments and dead-end streets.

Katherine Levandowski asked whether the Village Council and residents would have the opportunity to review construction bids before awarding a contract and inquired about the process if roadway work was not completed properly. Village Manager McClary responded that the bids would be included in the Village Council meeting packet for review prior to consideration.

MOTION made by President Pro Tem Ford, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to adopt the Village of Lake Orion 2026-2029 Pavement Asset Management Plan (PAMP) as presented and authorize its submission to the Michigan Department of Transportation.

VOTING YEA:	Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY:	None
ABSENT:	Rutt
MOTION:	Carried

B. Sidewalk Improvement Program (SWIP) District #2 Bulletin #1 Quantity Changes

Council Member Dandalides inquired whether the project would result in any additional costs to residents or the Village. Village Manager McClary confirmed there would be no additional costs.

MOTION made by Council Member Moshier, Seconded by Council Member Dandalides to approve the 2026 Sidewalk Improvement Project (SWIP) District #2 Bulletin #1 as presented and recommended by the Village Engineer, which adds the uncompleted 2025 sidewalk repair work to the 97 Section 10, Item B. 2026 contract with Italia Construction in the amount of $2,633.28, and to authorize the Village Manager to execute all necessary documents relating to this contract change.

Council Member Lamb requested clarification from the Village Engineer regarding inspection of the District 2 project, and the Village Engineer explained that the inspection process would differ from the previous year. President Pro Tem Ford expressed appreciation to residents for their patience as the Village continues to address challenges throughout the Sidewalk District projects.

VOTING YEA:	Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY:	None
ABSENT:	Rutt
MOTION:	Carried

C. Request from Greg Barron for Reconsideration of Permanent Easement for Driveway - 347 N. Broadway

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, seconded by Council Member Moshier, to direct the Village Manager to prepare the appropriate documentation to split the easterly triangular portion of the proposed easement parcel and take the necessary measures to convey that portion of the property to the adjacent property owner.

Council Member Lamb stated that conveying ownership of the property, rather than granting an easement, would eliminate the Village's responsibility for maintaining the parcel. He noted that the property has little value to the Village and that transferring ownership would save maintenance costs while allowing the property owner to own the land outright instead of holding an easement.

Village Manager McClary explained that a potential concern with splitting the parcel is that any newly created parcel would need to comply with applicable zoning requirements. Council Member Lamb stated that he believed the proposed parcel would meet those requirements.

Council Member Dandalides inquired whether splitting the property had previously been considered as an option. Village Manager McClary responded that the only option previously evaluated had been the granting of an easement. He stated that he was neither supporting nor opposing the proposal but would like to better understand the advantages and disadvantages before making a decision.

Council Member Moshier inquired about the anticipated engineering and legal costs associated with the proposal and who would be responsible for those expenses.

President Pro Tem Ford asked who would bear the costs and inquired about the timeline for completing the process should the proposal move forward. Village Manager McClary stated that he had already discussed the easement proposal with the property owner, Mr. Baron, including the expectation that the property owner would be responsible for the associated costs. He added that if Council wished to pursue a lot split instead, additional discussions regarding costs would be necessary.

Property owner Mr. Baron stated that he had originally contacted the Village to inquire about combining the parcel with his property because the parcel did not have an owner at the time. He further stated that he would ensure there would be no cost to the Village if this option were pursued.

Council Member Lamb ***AMENDED*** his motion to direct the Village Manager to prepare the appropriate documentation regarding the property at 347 North Broadway Street, subject to confirmation by the Zoning Coordinator that the proposed lot split complies with zoning requirements. The amended motion also requires the property owner to provide, at the property owner's expense, a revised survey depicting the proposed lot split and lot combination.

Mr. Baron clarified that his original request was to acquire ownership of the property.

Village Manager McClary stated that he believes this is a viable option to explore. He recommended that Mr. Baron have a surveyor prepare a revised survey showing the proposed division of the property into Parcel A and Parcel B, at Mr. Baron's expense, for Council's future consideration. Mr. Baron agreed to proceed with that proposal.

VOTING YEA:	Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY:	None
ABSENT:	Rutt
MOTION:	Carried

D. License Agreement - 195-197 S. Broadway (Clover & Creek) - Right-of-Way Brick Pavers

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to approve the license agreement between the Village of Lake Orion and CGKW, LLC, d/b/a Clover & Creek and RDA Investments, Inc., to permit the installation of brick pavers within the Village's right-of way at 195-197 South Broadway Street and to permit ingress and egress over the license area subject 122 Section 10, Item D. to the terms and conditions of the license agreement; and to authorize the Village Manager to execute the license agreement on behalf of the Village.

President Pro Tem Ford inquired whether executing a license agreement for this type of work was the Village's standard practice. The Village Manager explained that bringing license agreements before the Village Council helps ensure consistency and provides a clear record for future reference.

VOTING YEA:	Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY:	None

ABSENT:	Rutt
MOTION:	Carried

E. Sick Pizza Race Event Application

Council Member Dandalides provided an update on the Sick Pizza Racing event, noting that one of the event's scheduled stops is in Lake Orion. He explained that the current Special Event Policy includes application time constraints that affect the event's eligibility.

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by President Pro Tem Ford to ask Administration to evaluate the Sick Pizza Racing Stop request and determine if we can support in the time frame remaining and if possible, allow administration the discretion to approve.

President Pro Tem Ford stated that timing is a significant concern and emphasized the importance of having the Police and Fire Departments review the event. He added that any revisions to the Special Event Policy should be considered separately at a future meeting.

Council Member Moshier expressed concern that making an exception for one event could create an expectation that similar exceptions would be made for other event applications submitted outside of the required timeframe.

Council Member Papacek stated that if Administration determines the event can be accommodated, he supports approving it, noting that participants are expected to come to the Village regardless.

Council Member Comparoni Jr. expressed support for the event.

Village Manager McClary stated that the current Special Event Policy should be reviewed to ensure it is fair, uniform, and consistently applied.

President Pro Tem Ford asked whether a review of the Special Event could be placed on the next Council agenda. Village Manager McClary confirmed that it could.

DDA Executive Director Gibb explained that the event was brought to the DDA's attention and stated that the event organizer had obtained the required insurance needed for the event. He also provided an overview of how the event application process had unfolded.

Rosemary Ford, 225 N. Broadway, expressed support for the Sick Pizza Racing event and encouraged the Council to review the Special Event Policy.

VOTING YEA:	Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY:	None
ABSENT:	Rutt
MOTION:	Carried

11. Call to the Public

Donald Kindred commented on property that was reportedly stolen from his neighbor and spoke about freedom of speech.

12. DDA Executive Director Comments

DDA Executive Director Gibb reported that the contracts with Administration had been signed and that related budget adjustments would be presented at the next DDA meeting. He announced a Community Communications Committee meeting scheduled for August 4, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Sick Pizza. He also shared that he had applied for a Main Street award and secured $30,000 in grant funding. Additionally, he provided an update on budgeting for the Lumberyard PUD project, noting that he was awaiting information from the engineers. He reported that bids for the fire suppression project would be opened the following day and concluded by thanking Sick Pizza and the Clerk's Office for their assistance with the recent influx of special event applications.

13. Council Comments

Council Member Lamb suggested developing a policy for the disposition of excess Village property, stating that surplus property should be made available for sale to residents when appropriate to generate revenue for the Village.

Council Member Comparoni, Jr. shared that he attended the Golling Car Show, described it as a successful event, and expressed his anticipation for the upcoming Sick Pizza racing event.

Council Member Dandalides wished the Village Manager a happy birthday and requested that an agenda item be added to a future Council meeting to discuss compiling facts and data to educate the public regarding dissolution. He noted that he would submit a formal request to the Village Manager.

Council Member Moshier thanked the public for attending the meeting and wished the Village Manager a happy birthday.

Council Member Papacek commented that it was a productive meeting with strong public participation and appreciated the review of Council rules and procedures at the beginning of the meeting. He also noted that early voter registration would be held at the Orion Recreation Center and expressed support for the upcoming Sick Pizza racing event.

President Pro Tem Ford commented that the Golling Car Show was a successful event and shared that he enjoyed visiting the Birmingham Farmers Market. He expressed enthusiasm for the future completion of the Lumberyard project and thanked the public for their participation and patience throughout the meeting.

14. Village Manager Comments

Village Manager McClary provided a brief report and noted that the full report is available online. Village Manager McClary thanked the staff for their birthday wishes and provided updates on the website and agenda management system migration, collective bargaining, ordinance recodification, and the scheduling of upcoming municipal fee and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) discussions. He also highlighted recent community events he attended and reviewed upcoming Village events and important dates.

15. Closed Session Items

None.

16. Business From Closed Session

None.

17. Adjournment

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to adjourn the July 27, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

The July 27, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:24PM.

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Stan Ford Sonja Stout, MiCPT
President Pro Tem Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved: as presented on August 10, 2026