



# Village Council Regular Meeting

March 27, 2025 at 7:00 PM  
2829 Minerva Lake Rd.

## Minutes

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### Roll Call/Vote to Excuse any Absent Member

- PRESENT: Councilpersons Camara, Grant, Koss, Martin, McNamara, Paessun
- ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Southard, Chief Delp, Law Director Shamp, Planner Fischer

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Minutes 00:00:45 of Video Recording

1. **MOTION TO APPROVE** 3/13/25 Committee as a Whole Minutes  
Motion made by Council President Camara, Seconded by Koss.  
Voting Yea: Council President Camara, McNamara, Koss, Martin, Paessun, Grant
2. **MOTION TO APPROVE** 3/13/25 Council Meeting Minutes  
Motion made by Council President Camara, Seconded by Koss.  
Voting Yea: Council President Camara, McNamara, Koss, Martin, Paessun, Grant

### Committee as a Whole Report 00:01:18

3. **Services** - J.P. Martin  
Working on Leaf Bids: will reach out to 5 seasons and Groundmaster; will ask about multiyear contract for possible savings.  
Food Truck Scheduling has been an issue; some trucks overscheduled because we set up with them so early last year.
4. **Streets** - Stacey Koss  
No major updates for streets  
Letter being sent to residents around the lakes to inform them of upcoming field work by engineering team regarding lake remediation; workers will work to minimize disruption to private property.
5. **Recreation & Parks** - Jason Camara  
Pool memberships available at minervapark.gov; pool maintenance plans are in place including hiring of staff  
5 seasons has begun seasonal maintenance, including mulching; playground mulch has been delivered and spread  
Fountains/aerators have been installed and are operational

### Citizen Comments 00:06:09

Lori Howard of Wildwood Rd. raised concerns about a large oak tree with invasive ivy growth, which may be violating ordinances. She requested action from the village to preserve the tree and ensure safety, as falling branches pose a hazard.

**Legislation 00:09:30**

- 6. MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2025-01 Amending P & Z Duties  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1202.049(d) OF THE VILLAGE OF  
MINERVA PARK CODIFIED ORDINANCES (3rd reading)**

Motion made by McNamara, Seconded by Council President Camara.

Voting Yea: Council President Camara, Koss, Martin, Paessun, Grant

Voting Nay: McNamara

- 7. MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES THAT REQUIRE 3 READINGS for  
ORDINANCE 2025-06**

Motion made by McNamara, Seconded by Council President Camara.

Voting Yea: Council President Camara, McNamara, Koss, Martin, Paessun, Grant

- 8. MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2025-06 Supplemental Appropriations  
AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONF FOR THE  
CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK FOR THE YEAR  
2025 (1st reading-intent to suspend the rules requiring 3 readings and pass as an  
emergency)**

Motion made by McNamara, Seconded by Council President Camara.

Voting Yea: Council President Camara, McNamara, Koss, Martin, Paessun, Grant

- 9. MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES THAT REQUIRE 3 READINGS for  
RESOLUTION 2025-08**

Motion made by McNamara, Seconded by Grant.

Voting Yea: Council President Camara, McNamara, Koss, Martin, Paessun, Grant

- 10. MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-08 Appointment of JD  
A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF JOSUE  
DeJESUS AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA  
PARK, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (1st reading-intent to suspend the  
rules requiring 3 readings and pass as an emergency)**

Motion made by McNamara, Seconded by Grant.

Voting Yea: Council President Camara, McNamara, Koss, Martin, Paessun, Grant

**Old Business 00:15:09**

Brief discussion about ivy on the tree and its impact on the health; debate on whether arborists assessing the tree may have been trespassing.

**New Business 00:23:08**

Planner Fischer spoke briefly about some sewer work and that EcoPlumbers provided extra service to the village while working on a Right of Way project.

Council President Camara asked about zoning updates being implemented in the area and whether this could provide redevelopment opportunities for the Cleveland Ave Business area. Planner Fischer will share some information with Council.

**Adjourn 00:31:10**

Motion made by Council President Camara, Seconded by Koss.

Voting Yea: Council President Camara, McNamara, Koss, Martin, Paessun, Grant