



VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Location: 120 Royal Crest Drive, Seville, OH 44273
Date: 08/10/2026

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

PRESENT: Mayor Carter, Dennis Gordon (Council President), Randy Eby (Council Member), Leslie Miller (Council Member), Paul Brilla (Council Member), Kathy Rhoads (Council Member), Amelia Bartosch (Council Member), Ted Lesiak (Solicitor), Jessica Harper-Bigley (Fiscal Officer)

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: Mr. Gordon made a motion to amend the agenda and add Executive Session for reason of possible litigation. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: **YEAS:** *Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch.* **NAYS:** *None.* Motion passes.

APPROVALS:

Mrs. Rhoads made a motion to approve paying the bills, the motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: **YEAS:** *Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch.* **NAYS:** *None.* Motion passes.

Mr. Eby made a motion to approve minutes from 07/13/26. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: **YEAS:** *Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla.* **ABSTENTIONS:** *Bartosch* **NAYS:** *None.* Motion passes. The minutes are approved as written.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

- Mark Hyson of 191 Captain Trail raised concerns about potential negative impacts of a data center, including high water and power usage, noise, and unfulfilled job promises. He requested prohibiting NDAs with tech developers, copies of any existing NDAs, and an ordinance to ban data centers.
- Missy Reig of 149 Royal Crest Drive asked council members about any discussions or NDAs regarding data centers and requested a moratorium to prohibit them. The topic was referred back to the government committee for discussion, with a request to place it on next month's agenda.
- Pauline Schaeffer of 7328 Wooster pike cited concerns the use of water for these data centers and stated how concerns in the township she lives in were dismissed about pipelines and now that is close to her property.
- Kathy Jones of Sharon Township shared a resolution passed by Athens County Commissioners as a potential model. She also mentioned a statewide petition by preserveohio.com to ban large-scale AI data centers.

The Mayor affirmed there have been no discussions or contacts from any company regarding a data center. The solicitor stated it would be illegal to sign an NDA regarding zoning but permissible for technical issues. The solicitor noted the state legislature and courts are reviewing data center regulations, and any local ordinance must be legally sound. It was confirmed the village currently lacks the utility capacity to support a data center.

REPORTS: Solicitor – Ted Lesiak Government – Paul Brilla Finance – Online next month Safety – Leslie Miller
BOPA – Amelia Bartosh Zoning – Dennis Gordon Streets/Parks - Randy Eby Cemetery - Mayor Carter

ORDINANCES UNDER CONSIDERATION:

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-44

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO APPROVING THE MEDINA COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION'S ESTIMATE OF VILLAGE'S BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2027.

This is the 3rd reading

Mrs. Rhoads made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-44. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: **YEAS:** *Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch* **NAYS:** *None*. Ordinance 2026-44 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-45

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE VILLAGE EMPLOYEES.

This is the 3rd reading

Mrs. Miller made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-45. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: **YEAS:** *Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch* **NAYS:** *None*. Ordinance 2026-45 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-46

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MEDICAL MUTUAL THROUGH LFG BENEFITS FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR VILLAGE EMPLOYEES.

This is the 3rd reading

Mr. Brilla made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-46. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: **YEAS:** *Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch* **NAYS:** *None*. Ordinance 2026-46 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-47

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GUARDIAN THROUGH LFG BENEFITS FOR DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR VILLAGE EMPLOYEES.

This is the 3rd reading

Mr. Eby made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-47. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: **YEAS:** *Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch* **NAYS:** *None*. Ordinance 2026-47 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-48

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH GUARDIAN THROUGH LFG BENEFITS FOR VISION INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR VILLAGE EMPLOYEES

This is the 3rd reading

Mrs. Miller made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-48. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: **YEAS:** *Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch* **NAYS:** *None*. Ordinance 2026-48 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-55

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO ESTABLISHING THE SALARY AND THE BENEFITS OF THE VILLAGE FORESTER.

This is the 1st reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-56

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO RENEW A CONTRACT WITH THE PUBLIC ENTITIES POOL OF OHIO THROUGH PLUMER INSURANCE AGENCY FOR THE PROVISION OF LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE VILLAGE.

This is the 1st reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-57

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, APPROVING A REPLAT OF VILLAGE LOTS 77 THROUGH 82 AND PART OF VILLAGE LOTS 83 AND 84.

This is the 1st reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-58

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, PROHIBITING THE FEEDING OF ANIMALS.

This is the 1st reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-59

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO ENTER INTO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE WADSWORTH MUNICIPAL COURT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

This is the 1st reading [See Attached](#)

Mr. Gordon made a motion to suspend the 3 reading rule and adopt emergency language for Ordinance 2026-59. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: YEAS: Rhoads, Eby, Gordon, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch NAYS: None. Motion passes.

Mrs. Rhoads made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-59. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: YEAS: Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch NAYS: None. Ordinance 2026-59 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-60

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH SCANWORKS LLC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

This is the 1st reading

See Attached

Mr. Brilla made a motion to suspend the 3 reading rule and adopt emergency language for Ordinance 2026-60. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: YEAS: Rhoads, Eby, Gordon, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch NAYS: None. Motion passes.

Mr. Eby made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-60. The motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call: YEAS: Rhoads, Gordon, Eby, Miller, Brilla, Bartosch NAYS: None. Ordinance 2026-60 was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS UNDER CONSIDERATION

None

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NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

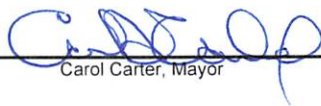
PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

- James Smolik of 129 Elmwood expressed frustration with the new walking path, citing pet disruptions, foot traffic at all hours, and an inefficient layout. Mr. Eby will have staff review the layout and add signage to enforce park hours (dusk to dawn).
- Mike Misiak requested clarification regarding ordinance 2026-58. It applies to wild animals like deer and racoons etc. He also asked about ordinance 2026-60. Council explained it was the first step in digitizing legislation and eventually codifying to make them searchable.

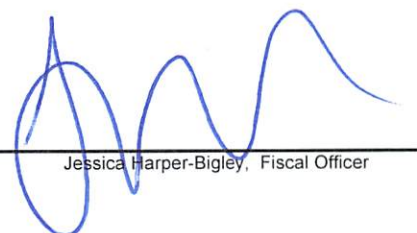
Mrs. Gordon made a motion to go into Executive Session inviting Mr. Lesiak, Mayor Carter, and Administrative Assistant Jennifer Gray for the purpose of possible litigation. The motion was seconded and carried. Executive session began at 7:49 PM. Executive Session Adjourned at 8:24 PM.

Mr. Gordon made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

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Carol Carter, Mayor

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Jessica Harper-Bigley, Fiscal Officer