

February 27, 2025

City of Northwood
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular meeting of the Northwood City Council was called to order by Mayor Schimmel at 07:04 PM on February 27, 2025 in the Council Chambers and via Live Stream.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor Schimmel

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called by Clerk of Council Popovitch and those in attendance were as follows: Mayor Schimmel, Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner City Administrator Kevin Laughlin, and City Attorney Brian Ballenger.

MOTION: Councilor Huntermark made a motion to **Excuse Council President Kozina and Councilor Melnyk**; seconded by Councilor Edwards. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None
Result: Passed

MOTION: Councilor Edwards made a motion to **appoint Jim Barton as Council President**; seconded by Councilor Fahrbach.**ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** Jim Barton
Result: Passed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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MOTION: Councilor Stoner made a motion to **Approve**; seconded by Councilor Huntermark. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None
Result: Passed

PRESENTATION

Introduction of Police Department K9, Odin

Office Aaron Hunt introduced police K9 Odin and expressed gratitude for supporting the canine program. Odin is an almost 2 year old Belgin Malinois and is trained in detecting narcotics, methamphetamine, heroin, cocaine and the derivatives of those drugs. He is also certified in tracking, and does article searches. So far, he has been deployed 24 times. Odin and Officer Hunt did a demonstration showing Odin indicating to bag that contained contact odor of his training aids.

Chief Zahradnik presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the Police Department to Molly Tomaszewski for the generous donation of funds to purchase body armor for Odin, in memory of her late husband, Gene Tomaszewski. Additionally, Molly offered to pay for trading cards of Odin with his picture and stats, to give out to the community.

PUBLIC COMMENT

NA

COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Economic Development Councilor Jim Barton

No Report. Next Meeting: March 27th @ 6PM.

Finance Councilor Louis Fahrbach

No Report.

Recreation Board Councilor Jim Barton

No Report. Next Meeting: March 12th @ NCC.

Safety Councilor Mark Stoner

No Report.

Tree Commission Councilor Michael Melnyk

March 11th meeting to be rescheduled. Tree City USA is being held in Bowling Green this year. RSVP to Emily or the Mayor to get signed up.

Service Councilor Dean Edwards

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No Report.

Parks, Rec & NCC Councilor Pat Huntermark

Deuling pianos event was last weekend and was a big success, raising about \$7,000.

Committee of the Whole Council President

No Report. Next Meeting: March 13th @ 6:30PM.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

NEW RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION 2025-03 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORTHWOOD TO COOPERATE WITH U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT (ICE) AND ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR SUCH COOPERATION.

1st Reading - Fahrbach

PENDING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION 2025-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTHWOOD OHIO, SUPPORTING THE OHIO COMMISSION FOR THE UNITED STATES SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL (AMERICA250-OH); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

2nd Reading - Edwards

RESOLUTION 2025-02 A RESOLUTION REGARDING ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR NORTHWOOD TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS.

2nd Reading - Huntermark

NEW LEGISLATION

ORDINANCE 2025-05 AN ORDINANCE INCREASING ESTIMATED RESOURCES OF THE CITY OF NORTHWOOD; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION: Councilor Stoner made a motion to **Suspend the rules**; seconded by Councilor Huntermark. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None

MOTION: Councilor Stoner made a motion to **Move on Emergency Clause**; seconded by Councilor Huntermark. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None

MOTION: Councilor Stoner made a motion to **Move on Final Adoption**; seconded by Councilor Huntermark. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None
Result: Passed

ORDINANCE 2025-06 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR A LEGAL SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

1st Reading - Edwards

PENDING LEGISLATON

ORDINANCE 2025-04 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL STREET NAME LIST BY CHANGING THE NAME OF DALLING ROAD TO DALLING DRIVE.

2nd Reading - Edwards

ORDINANCE 2025-02 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 OF THE CITY OF NORTHWOOD; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION: Councilor Huntermark made a motion to **Move on Final Adoption**; seconded by None. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None
Result: Passed

ORDINANCE 2025-03 AN ORDINANCE REALLOCATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS RECEIVING INTEREST INCOME AND THE DISTRIBUTION THEREOF BY THE FINANCE AND REVENUE DIRECTOR.

MOTION: Councilor Edwards made a motion to **Move on Final Adoption**; seconded by Councilor Huntermark. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None
Result: Passed

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MAYOR Mayor Schimmel

Mayor's Report

ADMINISTRATION:

Recommendation to appoint Paula Radocy to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

MOTION: Councilor Huntermark made a motion to **appoint Paula Radocy to the Board of Zoning Appeals;** seconded by Councilor Fahrbach. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None

Result: Passed

FIRE:

Chief Whitmore presented the recommendation to appoint Drew Lasley as a part-time firefighter/EMT.

MOTION: Councilor Huntermark made a motion to **appoint Paula Radocy to the Board of Zoning Appeals;** seconded by Councilor Fahrbach. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None

Result: Passed

CITY ADMINISTRATOR Kevin Laughlin

Administrator's Report

TOPIC/ ITEM	DISCUSSION
Jeep Country Federal Credit Union sale	Jeep Country closed on property today (February 27, 2025) at 2:00 PM today. • 0.232 ac located at the Enclave. • Sale price: \$175,000.00 • Net: \$155,892.00 • Previous discussions have involved allowing Northwood Community Investment Corporation (CIC) to retain the proceeds of this sale to act as seed money for operations and other projects. Administration recommends this. However, clarification from Council is needed.

MOTION: Councilor Huntermark made a motion to **allow the CIC to retain the proceeds of the sale of land ;** seconded by Councilor Stoner. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None

Result: Passed

CITY FINANCIAL REPORT(S)

LIST OF EXPENDITURES OVER \$10,000

INVOICE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
AETNA	MARCH 2025 EMPLOYEE HEALTHCARE	\$71,495.52
ATLANTIC SOLUTIONS	EMERGENCY TURNOUT GEAR EXISTING EMPLOYEES(8)	\$30,520.00
ATLANTIC SOLUTIONS	EMERGENCY TURNOUT GEAR - 3 NEW EMPLOYEES	\$13,825.00
B & J CONCRETE	PAY APPLICATION #2 CURTICE & WHEELING IMPROVEMENTS	\$113,997.39

MOTION: Councilor Stoner made a motion to **Approve;** seconded by Councilor Huntermark. **ROLL CALL:** **Yes:** Councilor Fahrbach, Councilor Edwards, Councilor Huntermark, Councilor Barton, Councilor Stoner; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None

Result: Passed

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT/DISCUSSION Brian Ballenger

No Report.

CITY ENGINEER’S REPORT/DISCUSSION Dave Kuhn

The Enclave Ditch Enclosure contractor has completed all storm sewer installation and filling the ditch. Needs to complete final grading and seeding once the weather permits.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Huntermark has been making phone calls regarding a well for the splash pad. 3 companies are supposed to turn in bids.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

NA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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NA

ADJOURNMENT

07:23 PM

ATTEST: _____
Council Clerk

APPROVED: _____
Mayor