

December 4, 2025

City of Northwood
Community Improvement Corporation Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Northwood Community Improvement Corporation was called to order by President Gallaher at 03:35 PM on December 4, 2025 in the Conference Room.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and those in attendance were as follows: Andrew Dickey, Dave Gallaher, Kevin Laughlin, Amy Stribrny, and Ken Yant.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

TOPICS/ISSUES

Recommendation to appoint Virgil Bryan as a trustee

President Dave Gallaher advised there is a spot open on the Board of Trustees and recommended the appointment of Virgil Bryan. Amy made a motion to appoint Virgil Bryan to the trustees and the motion was seconded by Kevin. Motion Passed.

Accept RFP from Glenn Grisdale for the BRE survey after review from the law director

Dave advised we have received the RFP for the BRE from Glenn Grisdale at Reveille for approximately \$5,000 and requested a motion to accept.

We will have a meeting in January and are considering a cocktail hour to entice participation in the surveys that will be distributed for the BRE program and to gain attendance from the council members, Glenn and Joe from Ohio State will attend to present the BRE program.discussion centered on the possibility of holding a combined meeting between City Council and the CIC so that a presentation could be given to ensure everyone is on the same page and has a clear understanding of the direction moving forward. It was noted that initial conversations with Glenn and Joe included the idea of hosting some type of icebreaker event to encourage business owners to engage with the City. Suggestions included a meet-and-greet, originally considered as a luncheon, but later shifted toward a late-afternoon or cocktail-style event.

Bob Anderson was consulted due to his experience with the Chamber of Commerce and community networking. The idea proposed was to host a casual cocktail hour at the Community Center, invite local business representatives, and begin with a brief presentation. The goal of the event would be to increase engagement, improve survey participation, and open dialogue between the City and the business community.

It was further discussed that once the business survey is completed, participants would be invited back to review and share the results. If specific needs are identified through the survey, representatives from the State of Ohio, Wood County Economic Development, or the Chamber of Commerce could be invited to address those needs and provide resources. The intent would be to demonstrate how the City is responding to feedback and to continue building collaboration with the business community.

Gary Thompson from RGP was mentioned as a potential participant who may be willing to attend a future meeting.

Kevin Laughlin made the motion to accept the RFP from Reveille and Amy seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. Motion Passed.

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

03:45 PM

ATTEST: Emily Popovitch
Clerk

APPROVED: Chair