

## Village of Shawnee Hills Council Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2025

Mayor Mathews called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council in Attendance: Mary Gates, Kathy Isern, Justin LaRosa, Renee Matney, Robert Thatcher and Todd Zimmerman

Also Present: Fiscal Officer Shirley Roskoski, Administrator Russell Baron and Solicitor Brian Zets

### Minutes

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Zimmerman to approve the minutes of April 14, 2025 with the following amendments: on page, 11, add *thought that* after financial; on page 12, remove the words *off duty*; on page 14, remove the lone *s*.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

### Agenda

It was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Thatcher to approve the agenda.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

### Solicitor

Brian said the Public Arts Committee did not meet because there was not a quorum. They were going to go over the rules and regulations.

He said he attended the Records Commission meeting tonight and approved the RC-3 form so that some of our records can be shredded.

We also discussed H.B. 315 which allows for the village to charge for the actual cost of producing and redacting body camera video for a public records request. The Records Commission approved adding it to our Records Retention Schedule. Council will have legislation at the next meeting to adopt this.

### Village Administrator

Russ said Frambes Park is almost complete. There will be a cleanup at Frambes this Saturday starting at 9:00 a.m.

Monahan Park playground update has been delayed a couple of weeks.

Arbor Day was well attended.

Drainage work on Shawnee Trail has been completed.

Chipper Day is May 19.

We will do a small paving project this year.

Delaware County Economic Development should be completed with our comprehensive plan in a couple of weeks.

There is a sewer issue on W. Mohawk and we will continue to monitor it.

A week ago, the sewer line by the Morgan House was plugged up. Dublin discovered a mop head in the line which was causing the plug. Please make sure no foreign items are being flushed down the drain.

We will be installing a camera inside the pump station so that we can monitor the inside for issues.

We hired a part-time employee, and we will be hiring a seasonal employee for the summer.

### **Police Chief**

Chief Baron said the body cameras have been ordered and we will get some of the cost reimbursed to us.

Nobin Rahut will be leaving us and going to Reynoldsburg PD. They have a large population of Nepali residents and Nobin can speak the language.

We have reached the Gold status for the sixth year in a row from Lexipol.

### **Visitors**

Carol Kender – Talked about Music in the Village and that the Chamber is doing the graduation signs again this year. The village has ten graduates this year.

Milu Nguyen, Delaware General Health District, said they have created a dashboard on their website in regards to infectious diseases. She brought flyers on Walk with Ease, the 2024 Annual Report, Lunch and Learn for breastfeeding mothers, and their Spring Clinic Tour.

### **Communications**

Mayor Mathews said Arbor Day was well attended.

### **Legislative Actions**

Third Reading – Ordinance 09-2025 – An Ordinance amending Section 921.03 (A) (Potable Water user Charge) and Section 921.03 (B) (Well Water User Charge) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Shawnee Hills.

It was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Larosa to adopt Ordinance 09-2025. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

Second Reading – Ordinance 12-2025 – An Ordinance vacating the unimproved rights-of-way running on, over, and through certain parcels numbers / lots and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Isern to suspend with the third reading and declare Ordinance 12-2025 an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Zimmerman to adopt Ordinance 12-2025 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

First Reading- Ordinance 13-2025 – An Ordinance confirming the Mayor’s appointment of Tom Gerber as a part-time Police Officer for the Village of Shawnee Hills and declaring an emergency. It was moved by Matney, seconded by Isern to suspend with the second and third

readings and declare Ordinance 13-2025 an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. It was moved by Gates, seconded by Zimmerman to adopt Ordinance 13-2025 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

**Bills**

It was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Matney to pay the bills in the amount of \$62,511.86. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

**Treasurer’s Report**

It was moved by Matney, seconded by Thatcher to approve the following treasurer’s report:

General Fund	543,928.21	Enfct. and Education	1,795.98
Street Fund	56,779.43	Fire Fund	194,221.61
State Highway	49,368.02	TIF Fund	102,935.49
PD Body Armor	5,475.83	TIF 2 Fund	53,268.70
Cont. Pro. Training	15,537.70	Police District Fund	133,789.61
Evans Farm JEDD	8,110.21	Veteran’s Memorial	298.97
Drug Law Enfct.	534.41	Sewer Operating	85,729.33
Indigent Drivers	385.84	Sewer Replacement	7,506.08
Law Enfct. Trust	3,852.20	Storm Sewer Fund	35,020.01
Am Rescue Plan	10,410.14	Debt Service Fund	129,416.79
Weed Fund	648.38	Enterprise Improvement	23,419.00
For a total of \$1,462,431.94			

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

**Executive Session**

At 7:30 p.m. it was moved by Thatcher, seconded by Zimmerman to adjourn from regular session and move into executive session and invite in the Solicitor, the Mayor and the Administrator. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

At 7:48 p.m. it was moved by Thatcher, seconded by Matney to adjourn from executive session. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

**Miscellaneous**

Councilmember LaRosa asked why we do not do dumpster day anymore. Mayor Mathews said the dumpsters would be filled the night before the start of dumpster day.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, it was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Gates to adjourn. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern. LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.