

Village of Shawnee Hills Council Meeting Minutes

March 23, 2026

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

Council in Attendance: Mary Gates, Kathy Isern, Michael Koren, Robert Thatcher and Todd Zimmerman

Absent: Justin LaRosa

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

Minutes

It was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Isern to approve the minutes of March 9, 2026, with the following amendment: on page one, under Administrator, change ideal to idea.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Koren, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

Agenda

It was moved by Thatcher, seconded by Gates to approve the agenda. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Koren, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

Village Administrator

Russ Baron gave the following report:

Please remember to plant pink this year to wow our America in Bloom judges.

Sanitary Sewer – We are having a lot of infiltration of water into our pump station. Please check your yard for any standing water and call the village office if you have some. I have worked with Mike, Jusin and Adam to come up with a way to monitor the flow.

Windstorm – Several trees came down during this storm and knocked out power to some of our residents.

Training – Richard completed his Qualified Stormwater Inspector Course and his Qualified MS4 Stormwater Compliance Professional Course.

Zach is currently working on his Master Gardeners Certification.

Our resident, Morag Miller, completed the Tree Commission Academy Course.

Romanelli and Hughes – They are allowed to cut down their trees. For any trees in in wetland areas, they are not allowed to use machinery to cut down the trees.

Solicitor

Brian said when Romanelli and Hughes submits their final development plan with no changes from the preliminary plan; it is just a formality.

Police Chief

Chief Baron said Kyle McCoy is going to work part-time.

The qualified applicant pool is very low.

I sent a letter to the Dublin City School Board in regards to their redistricting talks. The letter focused on the safety of the children traveling back and forth to school.

Communications

Mayor Mathews said redistricting is not our decision to make. The School Board will make that decision. Thanks to Russ for sending in the letter.

I attended the Delaware Health District Annual Meeting. They do a lot more things than what I thought. There were one million people without power after the windstorm. I commend Ohio Edison and AEP for getting the power restored.

Pro tem Report

Pro tem Thatcher said he also received emails about the school redistricting. He said he is reaching out to people he knows that do reenactments.

Committee Report

Council Member Zimmerman said the PAC met on the 18th. We are going to do the Paint and Sip for the Pink Out. The Air Art Competition will be in June during the America 250 festivities.

Maggie is working on making more butterfly wings. The mosaic frames will be clear coated this August.

Council member Gates said Finance met tonight. The RITA collections seem to be on target. There will be a 6.91% increase in the health care premiums starting May 1. We discussed pay increases for training completed, hiring a fiscal officer with a 6 month over lap and paying the summer intern this year.

Legislative Actions

Second Reading – Resolution 07-2026 – A Resolution to host a picnic for the residents of Shawnee Hills in celebration of the United States of America’s semiquincentennial.

First Reading – Ordinance 07-2026 – An Ordinance confirming the Mayor’s appointment of Kyle McCoy as a part-time police officer for the Village of Shawnee Hills and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Zimmerman to suspend with the second and third readings and declare Ordinance 07-2026 an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Koren, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

It was moved by Thatcher, seconded by Gates to adopt Ordinance 07-2026 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Koren, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

Bills

It was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Isern to pay the bills in the amount of \$83,274.53. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Koren, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

Treasurer's Report

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Zimmerman to approve the following treasurer's report:

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| General Fund | 518,486.19 | Fire Fund | 129,201.82 |
| Street Fund | 51,756.97 | Weed Fund | 258.33 |
| State Hwy. | 55,960.10 | TIF | 77,753.32 |
| PD Body Armor | 3,561.69 | TIF 2 | 70,053.17 |
| Cont. Prof. Training | 15,042.20 | Police Dist. Fund | 24,600.03 |
| Drug Law Enfct. | 534.31 | Veteran's Memorial | 298.97 |
| Indigent Drivers | 385.84 | Sewer Operating | 64,781.66 |
| Law Enforcement Trust | 3,852.20 | Sewer Replacement | 7,506.08 |
| Law Enfct. Trust | 3,852.20 | Storm Sewer Fund | 43,273.66 |
| Enfct. & Education | 1,830.98 | Enterprise Improv. | 26,569.00 |
| OneOhio | 800.11 | Debt Service Fund | 117,493.83 |
| Evans Farm JEDD | 12,814.24 | | |

For a total of \$1,239,851.43.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Koren, Thatcher and Zimmerman.
Nay, none.

Miscellaneous

Mayor Mathews said we received letters from the Arbor Day Foundation congratulating us on achieving the 2025 Tree City USA status and also receiving the Growth Award.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Isern to adjourn.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Koren, Thatcher and Zimmerman.
Nay, none. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.