

Village of Russells Point
August 4, 2025
Council Meeting

Mayor John Huffman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Council members Joan Hinterschied, Greg Iiams, Joan Maxwell, Steve Reid, Rebekah Smith and Dave Wallace were present. Village Administrator Spencer Mitchell and Fiscal Officer Marc McGuire were also present.

Guests: Dianne Gauder (Zoning Officer/Floodplain Administrator), AshLee Hullinger (Clerk of Court/Admin Assistant), Joe Freyhof (Chief of Police), Sharon DeVault, Robin Michaels, Liz Gibson, Robin Reames

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Councilor Iiams and seconded by Councilor Maxwell to approve the council meeting minutes dated July 21, 2025. A roll call vote was taken and council voted in favor 6-0. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Councilor Iiams and seconded by Councilor Maxwell to approve the council special meeting minutes dated July 30, 2025. A roll call vote was taken and council voted in favor 6-0. Motion passed.

Reports:

Mayor's Court

- The July 2025 statement for Mayor's Court showing total receipts of \$4,015 was presented to council. **Motion** was made by Councilor Iiams and seconded by Councilor Hinterschied to approve the July 2025 Mayor's Court statement as submitted. A roll call vote was taken and council voted in favor 6-0. Motion passed.

Ordinances and Resolutions: none

Citizen Comments: none

Old Business:

- Mayor Huffman had a discussion with Daniel Bey, Village Solicitor, regarding the village donating money to the new dog kennel for the Logan County Animal Shelter. Council was informed that the village should not donate money. The village can pay a fee for services rendered as outlined in a contract. Council favored paying a fee for services and asked Mayor Huffman to involve Daniel Bey in setting up a contract with a one-time fee for an extended period of time with the Logan County Animal Shelter.

New Business:

- The Director of the Indian Lake Visitors Bureau was unable to attend the council meeting. Mayor Huffman will reschedule the Director to attend a future council meeting.
- A softball tournament is scheduled for August 9, 2025 at Leppich Field. All are welcome and invited to play.
- Council discussed a quote from Tim Herbst (National Pavement Analysis, LLC) to provide a street pavement analysis. The quote totals \$3,950. Council questioned the necessity of the pavement analysis at this point in time. Mr. Herbst has provided this service in previous years and council asked Robin Reames to forward those results to them for review.

- Mayor Huffman shared a letter received from Carol Leppich Morey. Ms. Morey donated \$500 to be used for Leppich Field in the memory of her father, Al Leppich.
- Julian and Grube Inc, independent auditors for the State of Ohio, will be at the municipal building beginning Wednesday, August 13th, thru Friday, August 15th, to perform the 2024 audit.
- Councilor Maxwell asked that a Fall Clean Up date be set. Council discussed the parameters on what and how much the village would be willing to pick up from residents.
- A Records Commission Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 2, 2025 at 6:30 PM at the municipal building
- Councilor Reid noted that the Planning Commission met on July 31, 2025 to review a zoning district amendment submitted by Sunwood Properties, LLC. The amendment is to change 3 parcels from a zoned R-2 (medium density residential) to a B-2 (local business) to serve as overflow parking lots for Indian Head Restaurant. The Planning Commission unanimously agreed to recommend the rezoning of these 3 parcels with stipulations as suggested by the zoning officer. Council set a public hearing date of September 8, 2025 at 6:30 PM in the municipal building to discuss the zoning amendment.

There being no further business, **motion** was made by Councilor Maxwell and seconded by Councilor liams to adjourn at 7:34 PM. Motion passed.

John Huffman, Mayor

Marc McGuire, Fiscal Officer

Date Passed