

**MINUTES
ORANGE VILLAGE COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 6, 2025
7:00 PM**

1. Council President Silver called the Special Council Meeting of August 6, 2025 to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call

Members Present: Madden, Perry, Vincent, Foster, Silver
Members Absent: Bilsky, Ullner
Others Present: Jud Kline, Mayor
Steve Byron, Law Director
Patrick O'Callahan, Deputy Police Chief
Larry Genova, Fire Chief
Dana Kavander, Treasurer

4. A Motion to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of July 9, 2025 was made by Mr. Madden seconded by Mr. Foster.

Ayes: Madden, Perry, Foster, Silver
Abstain: Vincent
Nays: None

5. A Motion to designate Anna Girardi to serve as the designee of the members of the Orange Village Council to attend Ohio Public Records training was made by Mr. Silver seconded by Mrs. Vincent.

Law Director, Steve Byron, stated that this is a virtual training. Elected officials are encouraged to attend.

Ayes: Madden, Perry, Vincent, Foster, Silver
Nays: None

6. Audience comments relating to agenda items only

- None

7. Old Business of Pending Legislation and Motions

A. ORDINANCE 2025-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CVG LLC (WRLC) TO PURCHASE PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF ORANGE. 3rd Reading

This will be for the land purchase for a future fire station. Mrs. Vincent asked if the new fire station is not an item that we will build on this land, what will we do with this. The Mayor stated that the Village can do whatever we needed. She stated that she understands the fire/police departments need to expand but asked the Fire Chief what he felt of them moving. Chief Genova stated that moving to this area will increase response time to the calls since 75% of our calls are in this area. He also stated the center of the Village has been move up that way.

Mayor Kline stated that he and former Mayor Mulcahy did like the option of all services in one location. When they were thinking of an alternative place, he asked Chief Genova to provide a cost benefit study to understand the value of moving to a different location to better serve the community. The role as Village administration is to serve the community as best we can by moving the facility closer to where the activity is going to be. The ability to meet with the staff is not as critical as response times for calls.

This facility will meet the needs of the community for 30-50 years.

A Motion for passage of Ordinance 2025-18 was made by Mrs. Perry seconded by Mrs. Vincent.

Ayes: Madden, Perry, Vincent, Foster, Silver
Nays: None

B. ORDINANCE 2025-20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CVG LLC (WRLC) TO PURCHASE PROPERTY LOCATED IN ORANGE VILLAGE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PRESERVING THIRTY-FIVE (35) ACRES AS A PASSIVE PARK. 3rd Reading

Mayor Kline stated this is for the parkland that will be at Harvard/Brainard. We will purchase it from them with other sources. He provided a presentation at NRAC, there are three other communities vying for this project. This will assist us with the funds for this project.

A Motion for passage of Ordinance 2025-18 was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mrs. Perry.

Ayes: Madden, Perry, Vincent, Foster, Silver
Nays: None

8. New Business and Consideration of:

- Ohio Division of Liquor Control – Liquor Permit Renewals

Council received notification from the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Liquor Control concerning renewal of all Class C & D permits that sell alcoholic beverages. Law Director, Steve Byron, stated that council has an option to object to any of the permits. Deputy Chief O’Callahan stated he has no objection for any of our current permit holders.

Council President Silver asked if anyone had other information pertaining to this item and with no comments, he moved to the next item on the agenda.

9. Audience comments relating to matters which advance the good of the Village

- Jim Stahl, 30499 Jackson
 - Work being done on Lander Road
 - How are we doing the roads
 - Mayor Kline stated we have an infrastructure levy that allows us to maintain our roads that are in need

10. Comments by the Mayor

- NRAC presentation for the property at Havard went well
- Concrete repairs continue on Lander Road from Jackson Road north to the Pepper Pike corporate line. Traffic will be maintained in both directions but there may be some delays. Please plan accordingly and avoid the area is possible.
- The next Orange Artisan and Farmer's Market will be this Saturday from 9am – 1pm at the Orange Village Service Department parking lot, 4680 Lander Road
- Replay, will perform at our concert at the Amphitheater on Thursday, August 21 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Stop by to listen to classics through the decades.
- Party in the Park will be held on Friday, August 22 beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- The Orange Artisan and Farmer's Market will be held on Saturday, August 23 from 9am – 1pm
 - Orange Village has a busy few days beginning on August 21st – I hope to see everyone at these events
- Computer collection continues through the month of August bring your escrap items to the Service Department Monday-Friday from 7am – 3pm
- Paper Shredding is Friday, August 15 at Pepper Pike City Hall from 9am – noon or the truck is full
- Read thank you note received from Dolores Momon for speed signs. She feels they are helping with speeding
- First CALLS program update
- Ohio Building Transparency Coalition – resources to reduce our carbon footprint, reduce energy consumption and measure our progress towards a more energy efficient future
- SolSmart – encourages the application of solar
- The Lander Circle Kiwanis raised over \$26,000 during their 69th annual Rummage Sale. They are a great organization with a mission of helping one child and one community at a time.
- Stormwater issue
 - o Over the weekend there was significant flooding in Orange Lake
 - o The Village cannot fund items on private property but we did assist with providing information and technical assistance
 - o Mr. Silver asked how many homes were affected – Mayor Kline stated there were 12 homes affected
 - o Planning and Zoning meeting yesterday had several items on the agenda and was recorded. Visit our website to watch the video
 - o Orange Arts Center – Art Fest – Saturday, August 16 10am – 2pm at the Orange Arts Center– creating a 6 panel mural with all the communities in the area – residents may paint a portion of the mural
- Architect selection committee for the new fire station report of findings
 - o Included the items that they were looking for
 - o Ultimately needs the approval of Council and a levy will need the approval of the voters
 - o We need to know the amount of funds that will be needed for this project
 - o Seven firms were invited to submit
 - Five firms submitted their qualifications
 - o The committee ranked their top 3 firms in order of ranking
 - DSA
 - Richard L Bowen and Associates
 - Perspectus
 - Bialosky Partners (added due to relationship with Orange Village, firm used for Service Department)
 - o Need to have the renovation and the new building pricing at the same time
 - o Would like council to schedule interviews at the next meeting and go to contract in September
 - Would like to move this forward quickly

o Thanked the five organizations that provided their qualifications
Mrs. Vincent reiterated that we were able to use this process and did not have to go out for bid.
Mr. Foster asked if there would be a time for community engagement and Mayor Kline stated there would be.

11. Comments by the Council President

- Deadline to file for petitions for council
 - o Will not be running for council
 - o 4 people for 4 seats
 - o Privilege to be a part of the council during his tenure
 - o Thanked Mayor Kline and Mayor Mulcahy for their support

12. Committee Reports and Comments by Council Members

Madden

- No Comments

Perry

- Parks and Recreation continue designing the new dog park
- Community Garden will have produce for sale at the Market on Saturday

Vincent

- Thanked Mr. Silver for his leadership – wonderful working with him
- Commend and congratulate Police Chief Roberts on his one year anniversary as Chief
- Congratulated Chief Genova on his one-year anniversary and grateful for all of the first responders
- Thanked the volunteers, other that donated at the Kiwanis
- Orange school calendar available
 - o First day of school August 20
- Arts and Culture Committee meeting will be September 11
- Orange for the Holidays coupon book
 - o Asked others opinion if they wanted to do the coupon book this year

Foster

- Veteran's Committee meeting – August 12 (cancelled)
 - o Like to highlight veterans on Facebook – to tell their stories
- Residents are asking about more space for soccer and recreation

Charter Review Commission for 2026

- Law Director, Steve Byron explained that council will need to establish a Charter Review Commission
 - o Council shall establish members of the Charter Review Commission by Ordinance
- Council should consider members
- Mrs. Perry has chaired the committee twice, she stated it is something that they need to allow everyone on the committee to have a voice
- Need to have any changes for the November 2026 ballot
- No specifications of how many people can be on the committee
 - o Mrs. Perry seems to remember that there were 8 members
- Review the State Laws so our Charter is up to date
- Anna will place something in the next newsletter
- Mrs. Perry suggested to not have more than 10 people

13. A Motion to determine, by unanimous vote of the quorum by roll call and in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8), that it is necessary to enter into executive session to consider confidential information directly related to the request for economic development assistance, including the protection of the interests of an applicant for such assistance or the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with an economic development project, and to consider marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or

personal financial statements of the applicant, or negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance all of which to be provided or administered under Chapter 715., 725., 1724., or 1728. or sections 701.07, 3735.67 to 3735.70, 5709.40 to 5709.43, 5709.61 to 5709.69, 5709.73 to 5709.75, or 5709.77 to 5709.81 of the Revised Code, or that involves public infrastructure improvements, or the extension of utility services directly related to an economic development project was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mr. Silver.

Ayes: Madden, Perry, Vincent, Foster, Silver
Nays: None

Council adjourned into executive session at 7:57 p.m.

Reconvened the council meeting at 8:53 p.m.

14. Adjournment of the Special Council Meeting of August 6, 2025

Council President Silver adjourned the special council meeting of August 6, 2025 at 8:54 p.m.


Annamarie Girardi
Council Clerk


Brent Silver
Council President