

**MINUTES
ORANGE VILLAGE COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2025
7:00 PM**

1. Council President Silver called the Council Meeting of November 12, 2025 to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call

Members Present: Perry, Bilsky, Ullner, Vincent, Foster, Madden, Silver
Members Absent:
Others Present: Jud Kline, Mayor
Steve Byron, Law Director
Mike Roberts, Police Chief
Larry Genova, Fire Chief
Robert Zupan, Service Director
Dana Kavander, Treasurer

4. Janet Keeler, Director of Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities
Ms. Keeler explained what the Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities does to support residents of Orange Village and provided an update on the programs. 20th anniversary of the last levy. Served 23 people living in Orange Village last year.

Mayor Kline stated that our investment in Cuyahoga County is essential.

5. A Motion to approve the purchase of a ASV RT50 track loader with a 60” Erskine snow blower attachment and a Virnig 60” V-Plow at a cost not to exceed \$72,078.00 from Buckeye Power Sales and Southeastern Equipment was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mr. Foster.

Service Director, Bob Zupan explained this item has been included in the budget for a couple of years and Village administration would like to start this service for our residents. We chose the skid steer due to pricing and value to the service department as the unit will be used year-round in our operation.

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

6. A Motion to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with DS Architects to provide design services for the new fire station and Village Hall renovation projects for an amount not to exceed \$85,000 was made by Ms. Ullner seconded by Mr. Bilsky.

Mayor Kline asked them to prepare a price to design both of the project. The fee for the Bowen presentation was over \$150,000. When he revisited DS Architects proposal it was a great deal less for both projects. He confirmed the numbers that were submitted by DS. They confirmed that they can work within the proposed amount. He is comfortable working with them on both projects.

Steve Byron stated that under our code we have the broad discretion to determine the most appropriate architect to handle the design services that the village needs. The Mayor sought the authority to negotiate and get the most appropriate agreement. This motion would throw out

what was authorized for Bowen and allow the Mayor to move forward with the agreement with DS Architects.

Ms. Ullner stated that she read the proposed zoning amendment that was on the ballot in March 2024. It states:

Shall the Zoning Map of the Village of Orange be amended to provide for the enactment of Chapter 1174 to create the Orange Place South Planned Development District (OPS-PPD), and to rezone approximately 45.6535 acres of certain property south of Harvard Road, east of Orange Place, and north of Jackson Drive to the OPS-PPD?

She stated there is absolutely nothing in here that prohibits or forbids this in any way. This has been brought up several times by different residents at different meetings. She wanted others to be aware she went back to the actual amendment that was voted on by residents of our village to be sure that we were not doing anything that is in any way violating what was voted on by residents.

Ayes: Perry, Bilsky, Ullner, Vincent, Foster, Madden, Silver

Nays: None

7. A Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for September, 2025 was made by Mrs. Perry seconded by Mrs. Vincent.

Mrs. Kavander explained the Treasurer's Report for September, 2025

Ayes: Perry, Bilsky, Ullner, Vincent, Foster, Madden, Silver

Nays: None

8. A Motion to approve the Tax Administrator's Report for September, 2025 was made by Mrs. Perry seconded by Mr. Foster.

Mrs. Kavander explained the Tax Administrator's Report for September, 2025

Ayes: Perry, Bilsky, Ullner, Vincent, Foster, Madden, Silver

Nays: None

9. A discussion of the Bills to be paid in the month of November in the amount of \$423,500.28 and additional October expenses in the amount of \$127,995.65

10. A discussion of Accessory Uses 1148.02

Discussion ensued concerning the placement of solar panels on homes. After the discussion it was determined that Ms. Ullner would bring this back to the Planning and Zoning Commission and if they would like to refer any changes to Council it will be discussed at that time.

11. Audience comments relating to agenda items only

John Loftus, 4230 Lander Road

- One of the six homes that has solar panels, installed in 2022. Unable to meet the criteria to place them on the front of his home. They are on the east side of the home and the south side of the garage. He was only able to reach 65% instead of reaching 85% to 95%. He has 27 panels, 9 on the back and 18 on the garage (south facing). Stating people don't notice them when they visit even though they are very close.

- Feels Orange Village should be looking into adding solar to our buildings. Look at ways to encourage residents. PACE is another program to finance programs for alternative energy especially since the Federal Government will no longer offer rebates.

Amanda Kurland, 150 Valencia Circle

- Wording on the ballot, feels what residents were told, what was presented to them. Did a quick search, the promotional materials stated 37 acres of greenspace to be owned by Orange Village.
- Feels the solar panels are a great option and should be considered, wish she had added them to her home.

12. Old Business of Pending Legislation and Motions

- None

13. New Business and Consideration of:

A. ORDINANCE 2025-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF ORANGE VILLAGE DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025. 1st Reading

Mrs. Kavander stated this is our final budget for 2025. We will have a different exhibit with the final figures prior to the 3rd reading of the ordinance.

B. ORDINANCE 2025-25

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF ORANGE VILLAGE DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026. 1st Reading

Mrs. Kavander stated this is for the 2026 budget. There will be a few minor changes to the exhibits that she will have next week.

C. RESOLUTION 2025-6

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ADVANCE TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OHIO REVISED CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Kavander stated this is a housekeeping item that we do every year. Allows us to receive the property tax collection throughout the year in order to receive our money instead of waiting until the end of the year.

A Motion for passage of Resolution 2025-6 was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mr. Foster.

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

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

- None

15. Comments by the Mayor

- Internet Safety Night – November 13 at 6:30 p.m. at Orange Village Hall
 - o Thanks to Orange Village Police Department, Orange C.A.R.E.S Committee and The Ohio Crimes Against Children Task Force for bringing this very important topic to Orange Village
- Leaf Collection continues until November 26 (day before Thanksgiving)
- Wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving
- Shop with a Cop tickets will continue to be available until December 5th
- Olivia’s Dream Toy Drive – begins Friday and continues through December 11
 - o Orange Fire Department is collecting new, unwrapped toys
- Heritage Home Program is offering a 1.4 – 2% interest rate for repairs and/or renovations of homes that are 50 years old or older. We have word that this interest rate will be ending December 31.
 - o Visit their website at heritagehomeprogram.org for more information
- The Artisan and Farmer’s Market will hold their winter market on Saturday, December 6 at Moreland Hills Elementary School
- Lighting up Orange for the Holidays will be held Wednesday, December 10 from 5:30 – 6:30 pm at Orange Village Park. This event is sponsored by the Orange Arts and Culture Committee

16. Comments by the Council President

- No Comments

17. Committee Reports and Comments by Council Members

Perry

- Heartfelt thank you to Dana, department heads and everyone involved in the budget
- Extraction exercise Friday with the Fire Department
 - o Had so much fun “playing” with the tools that they use everyday
 - o Provided a perspective on how difficult the job is
 - o Technical type of equipment is needed and is important to have
 - Thanked the fire department for allowing her to participate

Bilsky

- No comments

Ullner

- Remind snow plow companies not to plow the snow into the street
 - o One company constantly doing it
- CodeRed
 - o Her phone call was looping the first sentence
 - Others did not have an issue
- Requested the Fire Department have a couple classes
 - o CPR class
 - o Stop the Bleed class
 - Chief Genova will look into it
- Happy Thanksgiving

Vincent

- ATT Fiber
 - o When will it wrap up
 - Bob Zupan thought it would be completed by the end of November

- Water Pressure – Orange Hill
 - o They are continuing to have issues with pressure
 - They are contacting Cleveland Water
 - Service Director Zupan reiterated to contact Cleveland Water
- Orange Schools update
 - o Enhancement to the High School Auditorium
- Light up Orange for the Holidays– December 10 – 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
- Arts & Culture meeting will be Thursday, December 4 at 7:00 pm at Village Hall, it is open to all.
- Happy Thanksgiving

Foster

- No Comments

Madden

- Sustainability and Resilience Committee meeting yesterday – next meeting December 9 at 7:00 pm at Village Hall.
 - o Planning for next year and looking for a new chair

18. A Motion to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing the appointment and compensation of public officials was made by Mr. Silver seconded by Mr. Madden.

Law Director Steve Byron was asked to join the executive session

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

Council adjourned into executive session at 8:08 p.m.

Reconvened the Council Meeting of November 12, 2025 at 8:40 p.m.

19. Adjournment of the Council Meeting of November 12, 2025

A Motion to adjourn the Council Meeting of November 12, 2025 was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mrs. Perry.

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

Council Meeting of November 12, 2025 was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



Annamarie Girardi
Council Clerk



Brent Silver
Council President