

**MINUTES
ORANGE VILLAGE COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 6, 2026
7:00 PM**

1. Council President Pro-Tem Vincent called the Special Council Meeting of May 6, 2026 to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call

Members Present: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Members Absent: Perry
Others Present: Jud Kline, Mayor
Steve Byron, Law Director
Michael Roberts, Police Chief
Larry Genova, Fire Chief
Bob Zupan, Service Director
Anna Girardi, Council Clerk

Mrs. Vincent stated that Council President Perry is with her family tonight as her father-in-law is very ill. Mrs. Vincent wished Mrs. Perry and her family love and peace through this time.

4. A Motion to confirm the appointment of Brandon Hughes as Interim Building Commissioner of Orange Village effective May 1, 2026 was made by Ms. Ullner seconded by Mrs. Vincent.

Mayor Kline provided Mr. Hughes' background including as the Assistant Building Commissioner for Orange Village. He will be the successor of Bob McLaughlin as the Building Commissioner. He has contributed greatly to the processes of designing, building and constructing homes and projects in Orange Village. We are pleased to have him as our next Chief Building Official.

Mrs. Vincent thanked Bob McLaughlin for all his years of service and stated that Brandon has been a great asset. Ms. Ullner stated she was been working with him on the Planning and Zoning Commission and he is very organized and she appreciates all he has done.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

Mayor Kline administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Hughes.

5. A Motion to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2026 was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mr. Boyles

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

6. A Motion to declare a 2017 Dodge Charger, Vin #2C3CDXKT9HH599509 as surplus, to be disposed of at the Mayor's discretion was made by Mrs. Kurland seconded by Mr. Foster.

Mr. Zugan stated he will speak about the three vehicles that are listed as surplus. Two are old police vehicles which one is currently out of service and the other one will be soon. The third was a repurposed police vehicle that was used in the building department. The building department will receive the Durango which is better on fuel economy and in better shape.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

7. A Motion to declare a 2018 Dodge Charger, Vin #2C3CDXKTXJH301099 as surplus, to be disposed of at the Mayor's discretion was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mrs. Kurland.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

8. A Motion to declare a 2020 Dodge Charger, Vin #2C3CDXAG5LH11279 as surplus, to be disposed of at the Mayor's discretion was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mrs. Kurland.

Mrs. Kurland and Mr. Boyle inquired about the fact that the vehicle is only six years old. Mr. Zugan stated this was a police vehicle and it has a lot of wear on it.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

9. Audience comments relating to agenda items only

- No comments

10. Old Business of Pending Legislation and Motions

A. ORDINANCE 2026-9 (AS AMENDED)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT REACHED WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OHIO LABOR COUNCIL, INC. 2nd Reading

B. ORDINANCE 2026-10

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW SECTION 351.17, NO PARKING ON EITHER SIDE OF RESIDENTIAL STREETS IN A CUL-DE-SAC TURNAROUND, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF ORANGE VILLAGE. 2nd Reading

Administration requests suspension of the rules

There is a timing issue with this Ordinance. Landscapers are already in the areas and we are experiencing issues with them parking in the cul-de-sac. Chief Roberts stated we will have signs in place and the officers will provide warnings at first. Mrs. Vincent asked what the penalty will be. Steve Byron stated it will be a \$100 fine.

A Motion for suspension of the rules for Ordinance 2026-10 was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mrs. Kurland.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

A Motion for passage of Ordinance 2026-10 was made by Mrs. Kurland seconded by Mr. Foster.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

C. ORDINANCE 2026-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1162.08, IMPROVEMENT OF PARKING AREAS, OF CHAPTER 1162, OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF ORANGE VILLAGE. 2nd Reading

Referred to the Planning and Zoning Commission

Council President Pro-Tem Vincent stated that Ordinance 2026-12 was approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission. There will be a public hearing concerning this Ordinance on Wednesday, June 3, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

11. New Business and Consideration of:

A. ORDINANCE 2026-14

AN ORDINANCE ENGAGING BRICKER GRAYDON WYATT LLP TO PROVIDE SPECIAL COUNSEL TO ORANGE VILLAGE IN MATTERS RELATED TO THE FINANCING OF CAPITAL PROJECTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading

Mayor Kline stated this is to engage bond counsel to begin the process of developing bonding for the new fire department and renovation projects. They will help put the language together and information that needs to go out. He stated that Bricker Graydon Wyatt LLP is very knowledgeable and assisted with work on TIF projects. Mr. Bilsky asked if we have used anyone else over the years and what gives us the comfort that we need with them? Mayor Kline stated we have used them for other items but not bond issues. Mr. Foster asked what the cost was, Mr. Byron stated it was \$85,000. Mr. Boyle stated he has worked with them before but Council has not even voted to place anything on the ballot. He feels it is important to not put this in place prior to Council voting to expense funds until we know we are placing an item on the ballot. He feels it is important to have a conversation of placing this on the ballot prior to engaging with counsel. Mr. Byron stated in preparation for the bond issue we will be incurring fees. Ms. Ullner stated that there was only one meeting with residents and council members. She thinks there needs to be at least 1 or 2 more opportunities to educate the community. Mayor Kline stated that they will be coming to the next council meeting. Mayor Kline stated that during his comments at the April meeting he announced there would be a presentation in May. Ms. Ullner stated we should add a few more dates for the presentation. Mrs. Vincent asked if we can do a CodeRed notification to notify residents of the presentation next week. Mayor Kline stated he will speak with the company to find another date. Ms. Ullner does not want to stand in the way of placing this item on the ballot but would like to see at least another presentation.

B. RESOLUTION 2026-1

A RESOLUTION OF ORANGE VILLAGE, OHIO, SUPPORTING THE OHIO COMMISSION FOR THE UNITED STATES SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL (AMERICA250-OH).

A Motion for passage of Resolution 2026-1 was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mr. Foster.

This Resolution acknowledges Orange Village support is recognizing the 250th anniversary of the United States.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

- Ohio Division of Liquor Control – New Social Cleveland, LLC (Pinstripes – Pinecrest) for D-5J
 - An Ohio D-5J liquor permit is a quota-exempt license for businesses located within a designated Community Entertainment District (CED), allowing the sale of beer, wine, and spirituous liquor from 5:30 a.m. to 2:30 a.m.
 - Chief Roberts stated they have no issues with this company we already approved their D-5 permit, this allows the Designated Outdoor Refreshment (DORA) area.
12. Audience comments relating to matters which advance the good of the Village
- John Loftus, 4231 Lander Road, Orange Village
 - Rate increases from the public power providers
 - Letter from Cuyahoga County concerning solar
 - Go out for bid as a group
 - Estimated saving is \$8,400
 - Village should take advantage of this
 - Zoning language in our code
 - Chairman of Sustainability Committee
 - Has not heard anything about it
 - Can't install on the front of the house – that is a problem
 - Wants to help people be able to install solar panels
 - Inquired about wind power
 - Contacted NOPEC and received information within an hour
 - Tim Kucharski, 7224 Winchester Drive, Solon, Ohio
 - Strongly considering running for Judge in Bedford Municipal Court in 2027
 - Running for Judge Parrish's seat in 2027
 - Randolph Howard, 35804 Meadowdale Drive, Solon, Ohio
 - Strongly considering running for Judge Parrish's seat in 2027
 - Current magistrate in Bedford Court since 2008
 - Diverse background
13. Comments by the Mayor
- Monday was National Firefighters Day
 - Thanked them for all the hard work they do
 - Thanked the Orange C.A.R.E.S Committee and his wife Sheryl for enlisting Lt. Attewell and Detective Woodrich to provide a very informative Internet Safety and Scam Workshop for senior citizens on April 23, he thanked them for providing this program
 - Thanked Orange C.A.R.E.S. Committee especially Roger and Terri Karp for providing the Free Bicycle Tune-up event last Saturday
 - Orange Artisan and Farmers Market was held on Saturday, held indoors. It was great as usual
 - We have plenty of leaf humus available and delivery will begin the week of May 18, please place your orders today
 - College-aged female Self-Defense Workshop sponsored by Orange Village Police Department will be held Thursday, June 4 at Orange Village Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m. sponsored by Council Members Ullner and Foster for putting this together.
 - Thanked the members of the Charter Review Commission for all of their hard work. Their final meeting will be on Monday, May 11. This meeting is open to all.
 - Their recommendations will be presented to council prior to going on the ballot in November

- Solon advertised for bids for the Miles Road watermain project. They will be opened on May 22 – moving forward
 - Happy Mother’s Day to all who nurture, guide, and support others with love—mothers, mother figures, caregivers, chosen family, and every individual making a meaningful impact on our lives
 - Asked Police and Fire Departments to create a citizen’s academy for council members
 - o More information to come
 - Next council meeting there will be a presentation concerning the new fire station and Village Hall renovation including budget information
 - Western Reserve Land Conservancy tentatively closing on the land for Orange Headwaters Preserve at the end of June
 - o Met with residents on Brainard Road to capture their backland for the conservation area
 - o Will report back in the next several weeks
 - Met with property owners at Brainard/Miles to redevelop the properties and create a gateway development for the community
 - Dog Forest nearing completion and thanked Bob Zupan and his department for their hard work
 - o Recognized Tri-C students for their assistance with the dog bone pavers
 - o Hope to have a grand opening on or around June 13
 - United States of Kindness proclamation
 - o 250 Acts of Kindness
 - His act of kindness is participating in the development of the Veteran home in Lakewood to provide housing for veterans
 - Ribbon cutting today
14. Comments by the Council President (Mrs. Perry was not in attendance)
- Mrs. Vincent as Council President Pro-Tem provided her comments
 - Mrs. Vincent said the market had rave reviews and thanked everyone for their support
 - o Next Market date is June 13 – 9am – 1pm in front of the Building department
 - Charter Review Commission – thanked them for their work
 - Orange Schools update
 - o Levy discussion is expected to be on the agenda at next Monday’s board meeting
 - Anticipated at 5 mil
 - Happy Mother’s Day
15. Committee Reports and Comments by Council Members
- Boyle**
- Thanked the Charter Review Commission
 - Clear need for Council to have some level of operating instructions
 - o Special meetings vs Work Sessions
 - Reasoning behind them
 - Spoke with Mrs. Perry to draft rules
- Bilsky**
- Brainard/Miles property owners have been productive conversations
 - Spoke with Pastor of church on Emery Road
 - o Concerning additional activity or recreational area
- Foster**
- Thanked the Artisan & Farmers Market for allowing the Veteran’s committee to participate
 - May is military appreciation month and mental health awareness month
 - o Requested that this be added to the LED sign

Kurland

- Rabbi Rosie passed away today
 - o Lost her battle with cancer – she was 64
 - o One of the longest running rabbis in all of greater Cleveland
 - o Hope all can live being sources of light and blessing to one another
- Happy Mother's Day

Ullner

- Orange High School does have a student that will be going into the military
- Celiac Disease Awareness month
- Jewish American Heritage month
 - o Anti-Semitism all around us
 - Speak up/Stand up
- Solar Power
 - o Current legislation stated she does not feel that it is impossible to place them on the front of the home
 - Asked Mayor Kline to review the Ordinance to see if there is an issue with placement
 - Mayor Kline stated he has a meeting tomorrow with NOPEC
 - o Will speak with them about solar
- Planning and Zoning has a number of Pulte homes in the Canyons
 - o One snafu with respect to a building put up by Pulte that does not meet the requirements of what the commission agreed to
 - They will report back with what they were supposed to do and what they did
 - P & Z Commission can decide to reconsider
 - o Public hearing on June 3 – parking space requirements allow land to be banked and used at a later time
 - Can be used as green space only
- Happy Mother's Day to all

16. A Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the appointment and compensation of Village employees, the discussion of the status of union negotiations and discussion of pending or imminent litigation was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Mr. Foster.

Law Director Steve Byron, Police Chief Mike Roberts and Mayor Jud Kline were invited to join the executive session.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

Council entered into Executive Session at 8:11 p.m.

Council reconvened the Special Council Meeting of May 6, 2026 at 8:37 p.m.

17. A Motion to confirm the appointment of Anthony Ugrinic, Jr. as non-sworn member of the Orange Village Police Department was made by Mrs. Vincent seconded by Ms. Ullner.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

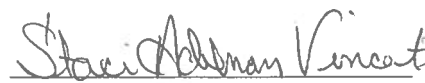
18. Adjournment of the Special Council Meeting of May 6, 2026

A Motion to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of May 6, 2026 was made by Mr. Foster seconded by Ms. Ullner.

Ayes: Boyle, Bilsky, Foster, Kurland, Ullner, Vincent
Nays: None

Special Council Meeting of May 6, 2026 was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.


Annamarie Girardi
Council Clerk


Staci Adelman Vincent
Council President Pro-Tem