

August 5, 2025

Start Time: 6:00 P.M.

Council met for the Regular meeting in council chambers located at 45 Main St, Greenwich OH 44837. Additional members present were Fiscal Officer Karley Binger, Mike Krugman, Acting Village Administrator, Chief of Police Pat Fox, and Solicitor Steve Palmer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: King – Yes, Wilson – Yes, Lueck –Yes, Beverly - Yes, Phillips – Yes, Hunter – Yes

The council approved meeting minutes from July 15, 2025 council meeting.

Invited Guests / Comments from floor:

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson who have property on Maple Street in Greenwich. They share that they were told by Greenwich that they would be responsible for finishing any utilities and the road back to whatever home they would be building on this property.

D. Beverly shared with Mr. and Mrs. Wilson that the village must go through a process and that when a homeowner wants to build they must develop that land.

Mr. Wilson said that they pay their taxes on their properties, and it is not going to be a development, and they want the town to finish the road and the utilities ran to the road.

D. Beverly asked if Mr. Palmer could weigh in on this topic. Mr. Palmer stated he had no comments to make at this time in regard to this issue and it cannot be resolved in an open session of council.

Mayor told Mr. and Mrs. Wilson that the village would review this issue and try to get back with them in a timely manner.

Gene Barre stated him and his wife have been waiting for over 2 months to get an answer from the Village on the horse ordinance. There is somebody that wants to buy their property but wants to have horses too. Gene Barre read Ohio Revised Code 713.15 which he believed that this code states that the grandfather clause goes with the land and not with the owner. Gene Barre stated he would appreciate an answer after waiting 2 months. Gene Barre asked if the Village of Greenwich is going to obey Ohio law?

Mr. Palmer stated again that he will not be giving legal advice in an open session of council.

Mrs. Barree shared that she has an opinion from their personal council if the Village needed to look at it.

Mr. Hunter said he was for changing the ordinance to fit what the Barree's

Mr. Barre asked for advice on the size of the septic tank for The Church of Christ. Mr. Krugman shared that he told them 1500-gallon septic tank but that Mr. Barre wanted it in writing. D. Beverly stated that we cannot tell you that the regulations will not change in the future but as of right now we can advise them what size septic tank is efficient at this time. Mayor stated that M. Krugman would get a letter to Mr. Barre stating that a 1500-gallon septic tank will work for this building.

Mrs. Risner stated that when we recently had the heavy rain her basement almost flooded. She asked that the village utility workers come down to her house and try to clean out the iron catch basins to see if they are plugged. She said they look full of dirty and she believes this may be some of the reasons her pumps in her basement were not pumping out as quickly as they should have been.

Committee Council Reports:

Record retention meeting is scheduled for November 18th at 5:45pm.

The next park committee meeting has not been set yet.

The park committee went over a quick review of the Party for the Park that is scheduled for the upcoming weekend.

Fiscal Officer report:

K. Binger shared that there was a settlement for the accident that occurred in 2024 and we should receive the check soon.

K. Binger shared that she put together an updated financial status in the council members' folders to review. The financial information shared in the council members folders included the appropriations that were approved by them in March, the current amount remaining in each line item, and then then there was provided a percentage of funds available to spend for 2025.

K. Binger had disbursements from July 1st-July 31st approved. The council also approved the bank statement for June 2025.

Village Administrator report:

Pavilion 3 will have a handicap section put in by the utility workers.

Meters will be read on the 15th of every month starting this month. Council approved the date utility meters will be read each month.

There was a 4-foot crack that caused a water main break on the previous Friday. If it is feasible to add into our water treatment plant plans then we will need to make sure this full pipe is replaced because it is in bad shape. Krugman also stated that our valves are very old, and we will need to start getting some of them replaced. The valve at countryside drive was an issue getting turned on and off and the others will have this same issue because of their age.

K. Binger shared that she received a voicemail about Harold Smith from a resident that felt he went above and beyond, and he wanted to take the time to thank him for that.

D. Beverly asked to address the cemetery issue. R. Wilson stated that the condition the cemetery was left in after being mowed was an absolute disgrace. R. Wilson shared that he had many complaints from residents about the condition it was left in. R. Wilson mentioned that Harold Smith spent many hours trying to improve the appearance but Monday morning the other utility workers were not sent back out to make sure the job was completed. D. Beverly stated that the cemetery committee needs to have a meeting to discuss whether we need to hire another part-time mower or if it makes sense to outsource the mowing of the cemetery and the park.

D. Beverly stated the cemetery committee meeting that needs to be scheduled also needs to discuss the rules and have them posted for residents to reference.

Chief of Police report:

It was discussed that the police car that is sitting at the village administrators that is unable to run should be put up for bid. Mr. Palmer requested Chief to provide him with some information on the vehicle so they can get the bidding system set up.

Police Bush shared that there was a fantastic turnout for Touch a Truck on July 19th. He also shared that he applied for a conservation grant for \$6000 and was awarded \$6000 to replenish the reservoir with fish. J. Bush also received 2 Step Outside grants for \$500 each that will be used to purchase supplies for his Cop and Bobbers event that will take place August 23rd 10am-1pm. Police Bush shared that he has a passion to create these programs for children in the community and to give kids different experiences.

Solicitor –

Mr. Palmer canceled the executive session because the utility meeting was successful with South Central Schools.

Legislation:

Resolution 2025-R-31 an emergency resolution adopting the 2025 Huron County Multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was approved by all of council and adopted.

Resolution 2025-R-32 an emergency resolution authorizing the village administrator to enter into a sport fish restoration subrecipient grant agreement on behalf of the Greenwich Police Department was approved and adopted by all of council.

Ordinance 2025-O-17 an emergency ordinance making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending 12/31/2025 and amending the 2025 Permanent Appropriations Measure Ordinance was approved and adopted by all of council.

The council approved the first reading of resolution 2025-R-33, a resolution authorizing the drawings of a warrant in payment of an amount due in excess of three thousand dollars and approving a “then & now” certification by the fiscal officer pursuant to section §5705.41(D)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code. Resolution 2025-R-27 was approved.

CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING: *August 19th @ 6:00pm, Greenwich Village Hall*

New Business:

J. Bush shared that the AED for the Police Department was ordered. He thanked all the businesses that donated to make that possible.

M. King asked what needed to be done so that the Barre's could get an answer in regard to the individuals having horses inside the village limits after they sell their property. Mr. Palmer recommended council reach out to him via phone or email so that he had specifics of how the Village of Greenwich would like to change the current ordinance that is in place.

Adjournment at 7:15 pm

Meeting minutes adopted on _____ day of _____, 2025.

Mayor, James Twaddle

Fiscal Officer, Karley Binger