

# COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF FORT LORAMIE

## REGULAR SESSION

June 23, 2025

The Council of the Village of Fort Loramie convened in regular session from 8:00 P.M. to 8:43 P.M. at 14 Elm St, Fort Loramie OH. Randal Ahlers – Mayor of Fort Loramie called the meeting to order with the following members and guests present:

Mr. Randy Ahlers	Present	Mr. Chris Boeke	Present
Mr. Chad Wray	Present	Mr. Matt Hoying	Present
Mr. Ryan Simon	Present	Mr. Tim Siegel	Present
Mr. Sam Grassbaugh	Present		

**EMPLOYEES:** Tisha Wannemacher, Nate Brown, Craig Bergman

**GUESTS:** Todd Garrett with Pioneer Electric, Luke Hemmelgarn (Choice One)

**SOLICITOR:** Madison Brinkman

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Tim Siegel and seconded by Sam Grassbaugh to accept the minutes of the May 19, 2025 meeting as presented. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

### **Approval of Bill**

A motion was made by Sam Grassbaugh seconded by Ryan Simon to authorize the Fiscal Officer to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$674,857.12. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

### **Excuse Absent Councilmen**

None

### **Acceptance of Pay Ins**

A motion was made by Matt Hoying and seconded by Tim Siegel to accept the pay ins as presented in the amount of \$614,447.14. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

### **Committee Reports**

**Finance:** The total income tax receipts for May 2025 were \$117,353.04 which was down from \$125,097.18 or down \$7,744.14 or down 6.2% from May 2024. As of June 19, 2025, the total income tax receipts for June are \$118,085.87 which is down \$57,405.17 or a decrease of 32.7% from end of June 2024 with 7 days of collections remaining.

The budgeted income tax amount for 2025 is \$1,500,00.00.

Total income tax for the year to date – 2025 is	\$ 988,260.19
Total Income Tax for 2024	<u>\$1,973,275.66</u>
	(\$985,015.47)

**Police & Safety:** No meeting this month. Nate stated that Jack Baker left as of May 30, 2025. Reiterated to the council of the garage floor being done. Updated that there is one speed sign in up and running on ST RT 66 and that the portable sign is also here was in front of Osgood bank but will be moving once the battery is charged. Nate also said he had a complaint in regards to an alley that is vacated but is being used by non-owners. The constituent wanted to know on having a sign placed council informed Nate that the resident would be responsible for buying and placing any signs up.

**Parks:** No meeting: It was just mentioned that there was a tree planted that Shelby County Historical Society gave to us, at Redskin Park between the 2 playgrounds.

**Streets & Sanitation:** No meeting. No news.

### **Planning:**

-No News

### **Old Business:**

Shelby County Sewer District: Randy Ahlers wanted to get some of the council members to be able to attend a meeting and

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wanted to get an idea of what day and time worked best. Most council members said that a 7:00pm meeting would work best.

Subdivisions: Weigandt Construction is still planning on getting a street in this year yet. Rapid Development said they have their plans drawn up for the Rose track of land but that will not start this year.

### ***New Business:***

Elm Street Bids were opened on June 4, 2025. Notice of Award was given to Hohenbrink Excavating LLC- \$1,272,444.54. The Engineer's quote was \$1,796,435.75. A motion was made by Sam Grassbaugh to accept the bid and Ryan Simons second the motion to accept the bid. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried. Matt Hoying asked when this project would start. It was said that would depend on the contractor's schedule but the project would be done sometime in March or April of 2026. Matt Hoying did tell Luke from Choice One to keep in mind that there is only one way in and out of the Elementary school for this project. Luke did take note of this and said there may be a temporary driveway put in during the project to assist with proper traffic flow.

Pay App #4/Final: Tom's Construction, Park Street Water & Roadway Improvements- \$184,398.17

Pay App #2/Final: Tom's Construction, S Main Street Water Extension to Schafer Oil - \$22,849.30

A motion was made by Ryan Simon to approve both Pay Apps. Sam Grassbaugh seconded the motion to approve both Pay Apps. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

Randy Ahlers presented the Natural Gas Aggregation- Municipality Power of Attorney: This is where we allow Jordan Haarmann (broker) from Priority Power Management to go out and get our contract rates.

Russ Gottemoeller -Sewer Agreement & Restrictive Covenant: Madison Brinkman said she has had received an email from Mr. Gottemoellers legal representative and will update us at next meeting on things. Chad Wray asked how we are to measure the flow being used. Craig Bergman replied that we will charge the flat rate of \$75.00.

The council was informed that Donald Gushing started on June 9, 2025 as a part time parks/utility employee.

**Ordinance 2025-1198** – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #98-856 to set the prices for the deposit fee (\$250) and a reconnection fee (\$60) along with creating a returned payment fee (\$30) & Policy.

Sam Grassbaugh made the motion to accept and approve said Ordinance. Tim Siegel seconded the motion. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2025-1199** – An Ordinance Vacating an Alley between Bradley & Danielle Drees (Lot 52) 52 South Main Street & Troy Benanzer (Lot 55) 54 South Main Street.

Chris Boeke made the motion to accept and approve said ordinance. Chad Wray seconded the motion. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2025-1021** – Resolution Declaring It Necessary to Levy A Tax For Current Expenses In Excess Of The Ten-Mill Limitation And Requesting Certification Of The County Auditor.

Sam Grassbaugh made the motion to approve and accept said Resolution. Chad Wray seconded the motion. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Randy Ahlers discussed getting an additional camera to cover the back parking lot. It would be mounted on the McLean Township garage. The quote from SecurCom came in at \$1,850.00. All council members agreed to the install of the new camera.

Preliminary Legislation (LPA-ODOT-Let Project Agreement) (participatory) – This project will resurface various States Routes in Shelby County including SR 362 from mile marker 0.00 to 1.06 and Sr 705 from 0.00 to 4.26 with portions of the roadways in the Village of Fort Loramie, Shelby County Ohio. Sam Grassbaugh made the motion to participate in this project and Chad Wray seconded the motion. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Youth Park Lights Replacement: There are 6 lights at the basketball and tennis/pickleball courts. Adam got a quote from Dickman for \$14,805. It was requested to use money from the Community Foundation All Park Fund with approval from the Parks Advisory Board.

Walnut Street- Discussion of possible reconstruction in 2026. Council is not against doing the project but feels that per the budget

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it may have to wait until 2027 and would like to get new quotes since the preliminary estimates were received back in 2022 and will review at a later date.

Iron Filter Media Replacement and High Service Pump Flow Testing Quotes: Currently running on the same media since 2012.

Craig had it tested and it needs replaced. Craig said he received two quotes as follows

Artesian of Pioneer - \$23,800.00 per vessel (\$95,200.00)

National Water Service - \$18,539.50 per vessel (\$74,158.00)

Craig said it would cost \$2,800.00 - \$2,900.00 to test the High Service Pumps

\$115,000.00 is budgeted already but wanted to address the Council of the matter.

## Executive Session:

A motion was made by Matt Hoying, seconded by Tim Siegel to go into executive session to discuss land purchase. To the roll call vote: Chad Wray, aye, Chris Boeke, aye, Sam Grassbaugh, aye, Matt Hoying, aye, Tim Siegel, aye & Ryan Simon, aye. Motion carried. Those present in executive session were Chad Wray, Chris Boeke, Matt Hoying, Sam Grassbaugh, Tim Siegel, Ryan Simon & Randy Ahlers.

A motion to exit executive session was made by Chad Wray seconded by Ryan Simon. All were in favor.

Nothing to report.

## Final Comments:

Matt wanted to know if the retention pond has been fixed out by IMS. That pond is part of the Industrial Drive Expansion project that is out for bid.

Tisha just asked for the bank reconciliations and past meeting minutes to be signed by council.

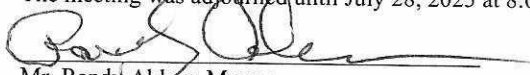
## Announcements:

- Liberty Days – Thursday, Friday & Saturday July 3-5, 2025
- Bruce Metz, Shelby County Commissioner will be attending the July 28, 2025 regular meeting.
- The Summer Gazebo Party will be August 10, 2025 from 2pm-8pm

## Adjournment

As there was no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Sam Grassbaugh, seconded by Ryan Simon. To the roll call vote: Chad Wray, aye, Chris Boeke, aye, Matt Hoying, aye, Tim Siegel, aye, Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned until July 28, 2025 at 8:00 P.M. at 14 Elm St., Fort Loramie OH.

  
Mr. Randy Ahlers, Mayor

  
Jennifer Frilling, Village Administrator

  
Tisha Wannemacher, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Village of Fort Loramie Council concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

# REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE LAND OFFICE

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