

# VILLAGE OF LATTY

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**July 8, 2025**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Village Council met in regular session on July 8th, 2025 at 6PM at the Latty Village Town Hall. Meeting was called to order at 6:08 PM with a motion made by Barb Sinn and seconded by Kirk Stoller. Members present were: Kirk Stoller, Shawn Gerber, Beth Stoller, Barb Sinn, Kathy Habern, Darlene Knapp and John Hatcher.

Prayer to start the meeting was given by Kirk Stoller.

No guests in attendance.

\*A motion to accept June minutes and pay bills was made by Barb Sinn and Seconded by Beth Stoller. All bills were addressed by council and approved.

### **Council Discussions made by Mayor Gerber:**

- Tim Copsey will be at meeting in August.
- Ian Betts is looking to add a Garage onto the front of his trailer. Asked for a variance as the addition would be close to the road. Mayor Gerber met with Ian, a diagram was given of what Ian is looking at doing. This addition would be added to address a safety concern. Mayor Gerber asked Council to visit and talk with Ian, then at meeting in August a decision can be voted on.
- Church Festival is coming up, Mayor Gerber asked Council if it was ok to get some mulch to spruce up park. Council all agreed.
- Per Jane Gray, The Phillips family is being honored at this year's Church Festival.
- There will be books available to purchase pertaining to the History of Latty. The books are being printed by West Bend and will cost approximate \$20. If interested it takes 3 weeks to print, contact Jane Gray to order.
- There is a Church Festival meeting July 17, 2025.
- Park clean up is slated for July 25, 2025 at 10am.
- A plaque was mentioned for the Church Festival, for those families who have been honored. Mayor Gerber asked Council if this is something they would be interested in purchasing and hanging outside Village Hall. Council will look into this and get pricing for meeting in August.
- Grants that were applied for by the Village were all denied. As of now, Grant money is hard to obtain for the smaller Villages. The Village cannot afford the 10% (ranging from \$100,000-\$200,000) that would be needed. Mayor Gerber did mention Ross Laukhuf did advocated for the Village in regards to help get the Grants passed.
- Mayor Gerber cleaning brush up around Village.
- Discussed sending out a mailer for the upcoming Election November 4, 2025 in regards to the two Levies that will be placed on the ballot.
  - *RESOLUTION (2025-06-003) Replacement (TWO 2.0 MILL) Tax for Fire and EMS Protection.*
    - This is a replacement tax as the current tax is set to expire. The tax millage for the upcoming levy is the same as the current tax.
  - *RESOLUTION (2025-06-004) Additional (TWO 2.0 MILL) Tax for Current Expense.*
    - This is an additional tax as the current tax is set to expire, but due to issues at last General Election the Levy did not get placed on the ballot. Therefore, this new levy has to be placed on the ballot as additional levy. The tax millage for the upcoming levy is the same as the current tax.

*A RESOLUTION (2025-06-003) OF PROCEED TO LEVY A TWO (2.0)MILL REPLACEMENT TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIRE AND EMS PROTECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH REVISED CODE §5705.19(A), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.* Council discussed and motion was made by Kirk Stoller to pass Resolution. A Second Motion was made by Barb Sinn. Council passed vote 5-0.

*A RESOLUTION (2025-06-004) OF PROCEED TO LEVY A TWO (2.0)MILL ADDITIONAL TAX CURRENT EXPENSE IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CURRENT EXPENSES TO THE GENERAL FUND IN ACCORDANCE WITH REVISED CODE §5705.19(A), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.* Council discussed and motion was made by Kathy Habern to pass Resolution. A Second Motion was made by Darlene Knapp. Council passed vote 5-0.

**Council Discussions made by Fiscal Officer Gabrielle Hook:**

- Discussed Board of Election Petitions for those Council seats up this year.
- Resolution of Necessity, Certification of the Auditor and Resolution to Proceed for both Fire and EMS protection and Current Expense will be taken to Board of Elections 7/9/2025 to be filed.

**PROJECTS:**

- \* Street paving by Ward Construction
- \* Cleaning up Park before Church Festival

**Beth Stoller-** An email came out in regards to the Lank Band and demolitions for next year.

**Michael Gray-** Absent

**Kathy Habern-** Sewer Lids all painted (see attached sheet for locations). Will be painting the barriers in front of Village Hall.

**Darlene Knapp-** No comment.

**Kirk Stoller-** No comment.

**Barb Sinn-** No comment.

**Solicitor John Hatcher-** Vantage is all taken care of. Contract was approved at Vantages board meeting end of June. Breaking ground here in July. John to check Deeds are recorded.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the following Ordinances:

- 2025-02-20 Regulating Junk and Abandoned Motor Vehicles located in the Village of Latty, Ohio- AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Council voted 5- Yes, 0- No
- 2025-02-21 Regulating Property Maintenance in the Village of Latty, Ohio. Council voted 5- Yes, 0- No
- 2025-02-22 Regulating Latty Village Sewer System. Council voted 5- Yes, 0- No
- 2025-02-20 Regulating House Trailers, Motor Homes and Campers within the Village of Latty, Ohio. Council voted 5- Yes, 0- No

**Discussions for the August Meeting:**

- List of properties to clean up
- Plaque for Church Festival Honoree's
- Festival outcome

**Motion to Adjourn**

Kirk Stoller made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and seconded by Darlene Knapp at 8:18PM

**Next Meeting will be August 12th, 2025 at 6PM at the Village Hall**