VILLAGE OF LODI
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, June 22, 2026
7:00 P.M.

Lodi Village Council met on the above date for a Regular Meeting with the following Council Members present: Miller, Ridenour, Surrarrer, Double, DeMell, and Gorglione. Also in attendance were Mayor Robert Geissman, Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman, Village Solicitor Ted Lesiak, Fire Chief Chris Ridenour, and Police Sgt. Shane Sams.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Gorglione and seconded by Ridenour to approve the minutes of the 6-8-26 regular council meeting.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Gorglione, Ridenour, Miller, Surrarrer, Double, and DeMell
NAYS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jarred Grant, representing the Military Grant Committee, was present and asked the village to purchase twenty-five pole brackets from Military Tribute Banners that are needed for the next phase of military banners. A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Gorglione for an expenditure of up to $2,000 for the brackets.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Gorglione, Ridenour, Surrarrer, Double, and DeMell
NAYS: None

LEGISLATION

THIRD AND FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, ESTABLISHING A CYBERSECURITY POLICY. A motion was made by Surrarrer and seconded by Double to pass the ordinance upon this third and final reading.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Surrarrer, Double, Miller, Ridenour, DeMell, and Gorglione
NAYS: None

THIRD AND FINAL READING OF A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, TO PROCEED WITH THE SUBMISSION OF THE QUESTION OF THE RENEWAL OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI'S THREE (3) MILL TAX LEVY IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS TO ENSURE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.03, 5705.19(A), 5705.191, 5705.25 AND 5705.26 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT AT THE GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026. A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ridenour to pass the ordinance upon this third and final reading.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Ridenour, Surrarrer, Double, DeMell, and Gorglione
NAYS: None

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AMENDING THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK. A motion was made by Double and seconded by Gorglione to declare this a first reading of the ordinance.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Double, Gorglione, Miller, Ridenour, Surrarrer, and DeMell
NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DIRT DAWG EXCAVATING LLC FOR WATERLINE REPLACEMENT, AND

DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
A motion was made by Miller and seconded by DeMell to suspend the three-reading rule and pass the ordinance as an emergency.
Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, DeMell, Ridenour, Surrarrer, Double, and Gorglione
NAYS: None
A motion was made by Surrarrer and seconded by Miller to pass the ordinance.
Upon roll call: YEAS: Surrarrer, Miller, Ridenour, Double, DeMell, and Gorglione
NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH THE HIGHEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE SALE OF VILLAGE PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion was made by Gorglione and seconded by Miller to suspend the three-reading rule and pass the ordinance as an emergency.
Upon roll call: YEAS: Gorglione, Miller, Ridenour, Surrarrer, Double, and DeMell
NAYS: None
A motion was made by Surrarrer and seconded by DeMell to pass the ordinance. The minimum bid price for the vehicle will be set at $4,000.
Upon roll call: YEAS: Surrarrer, DeMell, Miller, Ridenour, Double, and Gorglione
NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, TRANSFERRING ITEMS BETWEEN FUNDS AND/OR INCREASING, DECREASING, OR TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATION ITEMS WITHIN FUNDS.
A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ridenour to suspend the three-reading rule and pass the ordinance as an emergency.
Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Ridenour, Surrarrer, Double, DeMell, and Gorglione
NAYS: None
A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ridenour to pass the ordinance.
Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Ridenour, Surrarrer, Double, DeMell, and Gorglione
NAYS: None

COMMITTEE REQUESTS
MILLER – FINANCE AND LEGISLATION
A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ridenour to approve the monthly bills. DeMell asked the village solicitor his opinion on voting on the bills after the checks are prepared. The village solicitor responded that the bills need to be approved sometime within the year they are paid in. Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman stated that if council members wish to review the weekly bills before the check run is completed, she will arrange for members to come into the office to review the bills each week.
Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Ridenour, Surrarrer, Double, DeMell, and Gorglione
NAYS: None

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Double to approve the monthly financial report.
Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Double, Ridenour, Surrarrer, DeMell, and Gorglione
NAYS: None

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ridenour to accept the donation of a 250th Anniversary of the nation banner from Carolyn Kurtz. The banner will be placed on the gazebo in Lodi Central Park.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Ridenour, Surrarrer, Double, DeMell, and Gorglione
NAYS: None

DEMELL – PARKS AND PUBLIC PROPERTIES

DeMell reported that he was contacted by Thomas Babbs regarding a food truck Thomas would like to have in the village. Mr. Babbs has not provided more information yet. Village Solicitor Ted Lesiak stated that council may want to consider legislation specifically outlining rules for food trucks. Ted will look at options. Ted also reported that food trucks cannot be placed on the property of a home residence because a home occupation cannot be outside of the house.

RIDENOUR - STREETS & SIDEWALKS

Ridenour had nothing to report at this time.

SURRARRER – SAFETY

Surrarrer had nothing to report at this time.

DOUBLE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Double had nothing to report at this time.

GORGLIONE – ZONING

Gorglione had nothing to report at this time.

CLERK-TREASURER

Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman provided a detailed review of budgetary information and explained what council is looking at when adopting the annual tax budget. Annette explained that the updated 2027 budget estimates will be provided to council members by Wednesday. This will allow almost three weeks for further review and give council members the opportunity to contact her with any questions before the budget needs to be approved on July 13, 2026.

MAYOR ROBERT GEISSMAN

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that the Church Street resurfacing project has begun.

DeMell asked about the council motion regarding Council Member Miller and the village solicitor's opinion that it was not legally done. Village Solicitor Ted Lesiak reported that the motion was not legally done which made it null and void. The village solicitor makes these determinations for the village. It is a nullity on a motion that was not done properly. After further discussion a motion was made by Miller and seconded by DeMell to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

Robert Geissman, Mayor

Annette Geissman, Clerk-Treasurer