

CITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 26

The City of Germantown Council met in regular session on August 3, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the city building Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mayor Terry Johnson, Mr. Jeffrey Jones, Mrs. Bonnie Koogle, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Rick Reed, Mr. Robert Rettich IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Scott Davies, Law Director; Pat Shivley, Finance Director; Jonathan Moore, Service Director; Mike Roseberry, Property Maintenance; Chief Josh Forrer, Fire/EMS Department; Chief Matt Burns, Police Department; Will Parsons, Community Relations Manager; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council, and several visitors.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION:

Mr. Reed presented the winners of the July 4/America 250 Coloring Contest certificates and coloring sets. We are very proud of them and thank all our very talented contestants.

Mayor Johnson presented the July 4 Parade winners with various awards. He thanked the Park Board, staff, the Grand Marshalls, the parade participants and residents for their support for this historic America 250 event. He thanked the Abundant Life Tabernacle for hosting the July 4 event and fireworks at Kercher Park.

Mayor Johnson presented the Valley View High School Track Team members with certificates of achievement for their successful year.

Mayor Johnson presented Austin Johnson for his successful year and career as a Valley View Baseball Player. We wish him continued success during college and in his future baseball career. Austin thanked family, coaches and friends who helped him with his huge success.

Mayor Johnson presented Fire EMS Chief Forrer the winning trophy for the First Annual Founders Day Tug of War Contest.

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CITIZEN'S FORUM:

William Heistand, 12101 Oxford Road, Coach of the Valley View Tennis Team, briefly updated Council on the proposed tennis court expansion project and the grant that was awarded towards the project. He plans on attending the October Council Work Session to give additional updates and details.

Josh Gorman, 17 Prairie Place, informed Council of the conditions of 21 Prairie Place. He is asking for help from Council to get 21 Prairie cleaned up. He mentioned all the items that are currently in the front and side yards that make the property look awful. This property is an eyesore for the block and has been for years. This is an ongoing battle. His home is his biggest investment, and it is being brought down in value due to this property's appearance.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mrs. Gilleland thanked Mr. Gorman for coming and letting him know that staff are working on this property almost daily. 8 Prairie and 21 Prairie are both problem properties and we are working with our City Attorney in the court system and civilly. These properties are an embarrassment to the neighborhood and the city.

She went on to review the agenda. Several pieces of legislation, a work session and an executive session. She congratulated the Park Department, Service Department and Fire Department for their efforts at obtaining grant money this year. German Township has placed the renewal Senior Center Levy on the November Ballot.

Johnathan Moore reviewed the skid steerer for the Service Department. This will assist the staff on many projects.

Pat Shivley reviewed the proposed legislation that is on the agenda.

CLERK'S REPORT:

None.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Johnson thanked the Historical Society for the Founders Day event.

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He thanked the Saturday Night Out Committee for the continued events. The next one will be August 15.

The Park Board will meet this week.

The MMI Committee met and discussed their completion of their five-year plan. Many projects have been completed, and they plan to complete the outstanding projects over time.

He is working on a new event for the city, Movie with the Mayor at the By-Jo. There will be information in the next few weeks.

He announced that the September Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8.

He sent his condolences to many friends and family for their losses.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Mr. Jones's Report:

Mr. Jones stated that the MVRPC meeting was cancelled last month but he plans on attending the next one.

The BZA did not meet last month.

He thanked the Pool Staff for the great season. They really enjoy attending the "Silver Swim" in the morning.

Mrs. Koogle's Report:

Mrs. Koogle attended the Cemetery Board Meeting last month and plans to attend this month's upcoming meeting.

The Senior Oversight Meeting was cancelled this month. The Center is getting two new rooftop HVAC units installed in the next few weeks.

Mr. Kuhn's Report:

Mr. Kuhn stated that the Economic Development Committee met. Uland Training Center is moving into the Hosler Building next to her current gym. We will be welcoming a new yoga studio on Center Street soon.

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He attended the Historical Society's Bourbon Tasting event at First National Bank. It was a huge success and well attended. The Historical Society also received a \$100,000.00 estate gift that will be put to good use.

As the Chair of the Fire Oversight Committee, he congratulated the Fire EMS Department for their win at the Founders Day Fire vs Police tug of war event.

Mr. Reed's Report:

Mr. Reed thanked Tiffany Kuhn for applying for the CBC vacant seat. This will be a great addition to our board. He thanked the coloring contest participants and winners for their hard work.

He thanked the Pool Staff for a successful season. The slide installation should be done in the next few weeks and hopefully completed this year.

Mr. Rettich's Report:

Mr. Rettich thanked everyone who attended the meeting tonight. It is good to see everyone here to be recognized.

He announced that National Night Out will be tomorrow and he encouraged everyone to join the Fire EMS and Police Departments at VMP.

Mr. Wafzig's Report:

Mr. Wafzig stated that the MVCC meeting was cancelled last month. He is planning on attending next month's meeting. MVCC has a group from various cities to discuss and hopefully develop a plan to deal with ebike/scooter issues. Hopefully draft legislation will be coming soon. MVCC staff will be moving to Yellow Springs soon.

Mayor Johnson asked that parents please educate the children using these ebikes and scooters to ensure they are aware of their surroundings.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. June 1, 2026-Work Session Meeting Minutes
2. June 1, 2026-Regular Session Meeting Minutes
3. June 1, 2026-Work Session Meeting Minutes
4. Accept the Third Quarter Credit Card Report (This is a requirement by the State Auditor per the credit card policy)
5. Appointment to the City Beautiful Committee (Term Expires December 31, 2028) Tiffany Kuhn
6. RESOLUTION NO. 26-36

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A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SELL SAID PROPERTY.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 26-39

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ZIMMER TRACTOR 461 BREADEN DRIVE MONROE, OH 45050 TO PURCHASE A SKID STEER.

8. RESOLUTION NO. 26-41

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9. RESOLUTION NO. 26-42

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE OF OHIO NATUREWORKS GRANT PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.

MOTION: Mr. Rettich moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogler, yes; Mr. Kuhn, abstained; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes, Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 1-abstention. **MOTION CARRIED.**

LEGISLATION:

INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 26-38

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A TEMPORARY 24 MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW DATA CENTERS WITHIN THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, OHIO.

Mayor Johnson stated the Public Hearing would be September 8, 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 26-40

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 25-15 APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, STATE OF OHIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026.

Mayor Johnson stated the Public Hearing would be September 8, 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 26-43

AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT RIGHT OF WAY FOR WEAVER ROAD, AKA EAST WETZ LANE, FROM THE STATE OF OHIO AND APPROVING THE PREPARED AGREEMENT.

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Mayor Johnson stated the Public Hearing would be September 8, 2026.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 26-30

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES TO
THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN CODIFIED ORDINANCES.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Mayor and Council were not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 26-30.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogler, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes, Mayor Johnson, yes. 7-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

None.

MOTION: Mr. Wafzig moved to adjourn to Executive Session under the authority of O.R.C. § 121.22 (G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of property at competitive bidding “specifically the purchase of property” and O.R.C. § 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogler, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes, Mayor Johnson, yes. 7-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:58 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

PRESENT:

The following members were present at the start of the Executive Session: Mayor Terry Johnson, Mr. Jeffrey Jones, Mrs. Bonnie Koogler, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Rick Reed, Mr. Robert Rettich IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Scott Davies, Law Director; Pat Shivley, Finance Director; Jonathan Moore, Service Director; Mike Roseberry, Property Maintenance; Chief Josh

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Forrer, Fire/EMS Department; Chief Matt Burns, Police Department; Will Parsons, Community Relations Manager; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council,

MEMBERS ABSENT:

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The aforementioned persons had discussion under the authority of O.R.C. § 121.22 (G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of property at competitive bidding “specifically the purchase of property” and O.R.C. § 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official.

Clerks Note: All City Staff excused themselves from Executive Session while Council and the Law Director discussed personal issues.

MOTION: Mr. Wafzig motioned to return to regular session.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:50 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Jones moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Terry Johnson
Mayor