

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS **VILLAGE OF DEGRAFF COUNCIL** **REGULAR SESSION**

The Legislative body of the Village of DeGraff convened in regular session on April 21st, 2026, from 6:59p.m. to 7:33p.m. at 107 S. Main St., DeGraff, OH 43318.

Mayor Stephanie Orsborne called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. with the following Council Members and staff Present:

Mayor Stephanie Orsborne – Present Gabe Kean, President Pro Tempore – Present Nancy Hall, Council Member – Present Heidi Duckro, Council Member – Present	Jenny Purtee, Council Member – Present Amber Armbruster, Council Member – Present Wesley McBean, Council Member – Present
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Staff Present:

Carol Stewart – Utility Clerk

Mr. Kean made the motion to suspend the reading and accept the April 7th, 2026, minutes as presented, seconded by Ms. Armbruster. Roll Call – All ayes.

MOTION

Visitors –

Norm Quay – inquiring about traffic on State Route 508. Motor cycles revving and doing wheelies at high speeds.

Mr. Kean told Ms. Hall they are street legal.

Mayor Orsborne advised she has been in contact with Sheriff Dodds and they believe they know who it is and are working to catch them, but she will contact them again regarding coverage.

Zoning – Permits pending but Mayor Orsborne is unsure of the number.

Solicitor – No updates at this time.

Village Administrator – Mayor Orsborne gave the following updates:

- Half of the new meters have been ordered and are being replaced as time allows.
- New poles are going up but have left big holes from previous poles.
- Will be working on water leaks and sewer line when he returns from vacation.
- Water tower inspection is complete, no issues.
- Still waiting for bore samples for new fire department building. Should be done this week.
- Ellis Street property clean up – working on extending due date but keeping an eye on progress.

Safety Committee – Mr. Kean gave the following updates:

- Fire Association would like to hold a Community Day at the Park on July 25th, 2026, with use of water and West shelter house. Hot dogs, drinks, water play.

Mr. Kean made the motion for the Fire Association to use water and shelter house for community day on July 25th, 2026, seconded by Ms. Hall. Roll Call – All ayes.

MOTION

- Active 911 bill subscription

Mr. Kean made the motion to pay for the Active 911 subscription, seconded by Ms. Duckro. Roll Call – All ayes.

MOTION

- Annual service needed for breathing air compressor.

Mr. Kean made the motion for annual service for breathing air compressor, seconded by Mr. McBean. Roll Call – All ayes.

MOTION

- Chief Beatty gave updates on the following:

- Runs reviewed.
- Cancelling ESO as completed via the state of Ohio now.
- Hose and ladder testing needed. Looking at a service to assist.
- Hydrant flow testing to begin. Will work with Ken for hydrant flushing and can combine. Willing to pay VFD for the testing?

Ms. Hall made the motion to approve paying VFD hours to test hydrants at \$8.00 per hour, seconded by Ms. Purtee. Roll Call – All ayes.

MOTION

- Scheduling fit testing.
- Gator went out to a first call this week and ready to go. Ms. Duckro asked about a field fire call. Training is ongoing.
- Mr. Kean gave updates on year-to-date calls.
- Put out a public notice for hydrant testing.

Finance – No updates at this time.

Park Committee – Ms. Duckro gave the following updates:

- Anderson Concessions wanted to come to park but Ball Association no approved as is their main money maker. May consider her for special events in the future.
- Getting a quote for roofs on the dugouts. Using shades for the remainder of this season. Ball Association will cover labor. Interested if Council would consider covering half. Mayor Orsborne advised can discuss after the quote comes back.

Cemetery –

- Ms. Armbruster advised mowing person was hurt so task is going back to Brad and will not go without mowing. Also fixing the mower deck.

Joint Sewer Board – No updates at this time. Next JSB meeting is Monday, May 4th, 2026.

Ordinances & Resolutions:

Ordinance 2026-09 AN ORDINANCE REALLOCATING FUNDS FROM PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE AND AMENDING THE APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR PURPOSES PAYING OPERATING EXPENSES FROM APPROPRIATED FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE OF DEGRAFF, OHIO.

Mr. Kean made the motion to suspend the 3 readings of Ordinance 2026-09, seconded by Ms. Armbruster.

APPROVED

Roll Call – All Ayes.

Ms. Duckro made the motion to approve Ordinance 2026-09, seconded by Mr. Kean.

APPROVED

Roll Call – All Ayes.

Ms. Hall made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-09, seconded by Ms. Armbruster.

APPROVED

Roll Call – All Ayes.

Old Business: None at this time.

New Business: None at this time.

Ms. Duckro made the motion to pay the bills, seconded by Mr. Kean.

MOTION

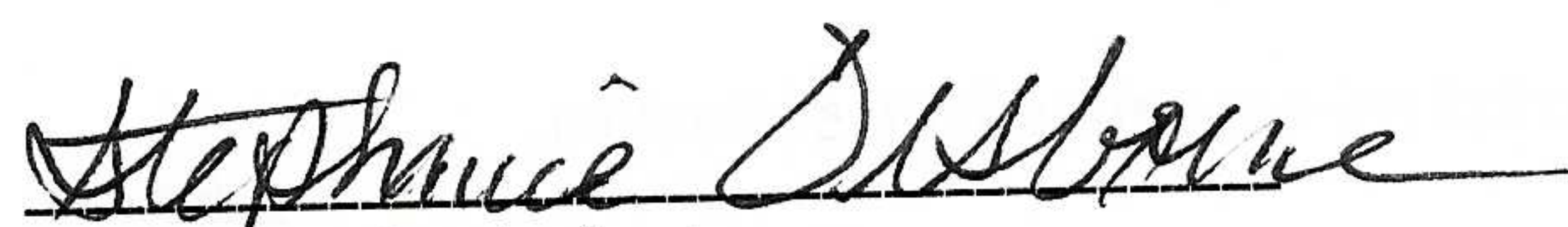
Roll Call – All Ayes

Mr. Kean made the motion to adjourn at 7:32p.m., seconded by Ms. Duckro.

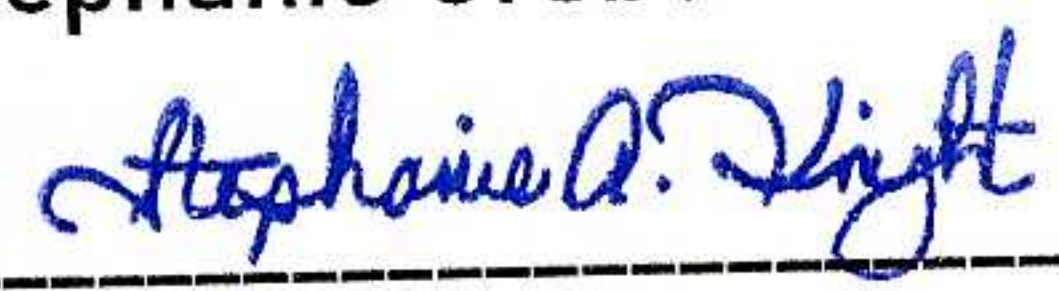
MOTION

Roll Call – All Ayes

Next regularly scheduled Council meeting is May 5th, at 7:00p.m., at the Village Hall.


Mayor Stephanie Orsborne


Gabe Kean, Council Pro Tempore


Stephanie A. Knight, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the VILLAGE OF DEGRAFF COUNCIL concerning and relating to the adoption of Ordinances, 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.