

# THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER COUNCIL

## Record of Proceedings

March 20, 2025

### MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Council President, Linda Wildman  
Council Member, Shawn Hall  
Council Member, Mike Gudakunst  
Council Member, Christina Adams  
Council Member, Ray Zaker  
Council Member,

The Village Council of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio met in regular session on the 20th of March, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Terry James and all in attendance were asked to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken present were Mike Gudakunst, Christina Adams, Ray Zaker, Shawn Hall, and Linda Wildman. Absent: Cody Roth. Motion to excuse Cody's absence made by Shawn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT- Police Chief Cory Fairbanks stated that he had nothing new to report at this time.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS: Kyle Fackler of Midwest Contracting for the new fire station building project was in attendance to give an update. Motion for Kyle to proceed with getting the project out for bid for a sub-contractor for the construction of the new fire station made by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried. Once the bids come in, they will be reviewed, interviewed, and voted on via council. The loan paperwork from the USDA does state availability of up to \$555,000, not to say that is how much we are taking. All figures so far has the goal of the max being borrowed of \$400,000, more to know once the sub-contract bids come in and decided on. Motion to pass loan resolution for the USDA with the availability of a loan for \$555,000 made by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS NOT ON THE AGENDA 5 MINUTE LIMIT: None to report.

Motion to approve the minutes from the March 6, 2025 council meeting was made by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Christina. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, and Shawn. Abstain: Linda. Motion carried.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT-Tom Wildman- Chief Wildman had a fire run. John reported the fire department has as part of the MARCS radios upgrade expenses, one being the authenticity layer of security at a cost of \$280 with Rayle Communication. The 23 radios expense for Motorola Marcs is \$3,630. This upgrade must be done by July 31<sup>st</sup> and it is scheduled for April 8<sup>th</sup>. We may be awarded the AFG grant that was applied for the SCBAs.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS –

ORDINANCE 03-2025 ORDINANCE SETTING THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2025 FOR THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, Emergency Reading

Motion to suspend the rules of emergency on Ord. 03-2025 made by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shawn. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried. Motion to pass Ord. 03-2025 made by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shawn. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 01-2025 RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER, OHIO, THE QUESTION OF AN ADDITIONAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE 10 MILL LIMITATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING 3.0 MILLS FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS FUND IN THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO, Second Reading

RESOLUTION 02-2025 RESOLUTION DECLARING THE AMOUNT OF TAXES THAT MAY BE RAISED BY LEVY AT THE MAXIMUM RATE AUTHORIZED BY LAW WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS TO BE INSUFFICIENT, AND DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF A LEVY IN EXCESS OF SUCH RATE OF 3.0 MILLS FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES FOR THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO, Second Reading

BUSINESS OF THE MAYOR – Mayor James reported that we will get pricing of the speed signs that Cody has at the next meeting. Regarding the Veterans Banners, Cody and Terry met with Craig this past Monday. The brackets will be a little more cost as we are going with two banners with four veterans being honored per pole. We will still be receiving some funding from the Veterans Association. The first round will be that of the first 20 submitted and ready to be hung before Memorial Day and then a second round being printed and ready by the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. On April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30pm there is a ground blessing ceremony for the two Habitat for Humanity homes being built on Maple St. and all are encouraged to attend.

Terry swore in the new part-time police officer, Ali Sabri Uthumalebbe.

Motion to go into executive session for personnel matters at 7:42pm, made by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried.

Motion to come back from executive session at 7:50 pm, made by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried.

Linda reported the outcome of the executive session as no action being taken at this time; there was discussion of a possible applicant for the zoning position; offering the previous zoning officer the opportunity of running the village clean up days in the spring and fall. Motion to offer the zoning officer position to Kim Garner at \$14/hour made by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Christina. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, and Shawn. No: Linda. Motion carried.

BUSINESS OF THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR-John Linkey-John contacted Midwest Tank Maintenance for the pressure washing of the Water Tower at an approximate cost of \$3,700.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT-Reid Rothenbuehler-not in attendance.

BUSINESS OF THE FISCAL OFFICER- Presented to the council was a current fund status report, as well as January's month end reports including the bank reconciliation, with one set being singed for audit purposes.

APPROVAL OF CLAIM ORDINANCE 06-2025 VC –Motion of approval of Claim Ordinance 06-2025 made by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shawn. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried.

REPORT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES –*Zoning committee* met tonight prior to the meeting. Nothing more to report on other than what was previously covered in tonight's council meeting.

OLD BUSINESS-None to report.

NEW BUSINESS- Mike asked council to consider that the following federal holidays be honored by the village: Martin Luther King Day, Presidents Day, Columbus Day, and Juneteenth. Motion to do so and be paid holidays for those qualified employees made by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shawn. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried.

\*\*\*When Tom returned from the run, he expressed a tarp will need to be replaced for 620. He would like to check with Gatchell on the \$45,000 fee if it was calculated on the original amount of grant money applied for of 1.6 million or the 1.26 million, we were granted.

Motion to adjourn at 8:01 pm made by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Linda. Motion carried.

ATTEST: *Angie Roth*  
Fiscal Officer: Angie Roth

SIGNED: *Terry James*  
Mayor: Terry James

Approved: 4/3/2025

SIGNED: *Linda Wildman*  
Council President: Linda Wildman

