



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL

Monday, June 08, 2026

6:30 PM

Village Hall – 21 East Church Street, Lake Orion, MI 48362

(248) 693-8391 ext. 102

1. Call to Order

The June 8, 2026 Village Council Regular Meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem at 6:31 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

PRESENT

President Pro Tem Stan Ford
Council Member Nancy Moshier
Council Member Michael Lamb
Council Member George Dandalides
Council Member Alex Comparoni Jr
Council Member Eric Papacek

ABSENT

President Teresa Rutt

STAFF PRESENT

Village Manager Darwin McClary
Police Chief Mark Amundson
Clerk/Treasurer Sonja Stout
DPW Director Wes Sanchez

MOTION made by Council Member Papacek, Seconded by Council Member Dandalides to excuse President Rutt from the June 8, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

4. Presentations

None.

5. Call to the Public

Steve Samet stated that his compost had not been collected.

Robert Reigherd shared that a petition to dissolve the Village was being circulated with the intent of placing the matter on the November ballot if a sufficient number of signatures are obtained.

Matt Gibb, DDA Executive Director, reported that, due to the water main break over Mother's Day weekend, local businesses will participate in a "Mother's Day Redo" event on June 14 to support businesses, particularly restaurants, that were impacted. He also announced that the DDA's preliminary Planned Unit Development (PUD) received approval from the Planning Commission and noted that Diane's Ride was a successful event.

Donald Kindred shared a story regarding the Reno Police Department.

Harry Stephens stated that his garbage and compost had not been collected and commented on the substantial size of the Council agenda packet.

6. Approval of Agenda

By order of the President/Chair, no matters will be discussed after 9:30 PM, unless the Council votes to continue the meeting.

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to approve the agenda for the June 8, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting as presented.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

7. Consent Agenda

All items on the Consent Agenda are approved by one vote.

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to approve the June 8, 2026 Village Council Regular Meeting Consent Agenda with the removal of the following items for further discussion:

- Removal of Item J. *Michigan Municipal League (MML) Insurance Renewal 2026-2027* for further discussion.
- Removal of Item K. *Receive and File Correspondence dated May 29, 2026, from Michael Deluca, 206 E. Flint Street, Requesting Consideration of Amendments to Noxious Weeds Ordinance* for further discussion.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

A. Approval of Special Event – Dragon on the Lake

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to adopt Resolution No. 2026-014, approving the Dragon on the Lake Special Event Application and the License Agreement between the Village of Lake Orion and Stephanie McIntyre and Julie Sugg of the Orion Art Center for the use of various Village properties from Thursday, August 27, 2026, through Sunday, August 30, 2026 and to authorize the Village Council President and Village Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the Village.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

B. Approval of Special Event – Lake Orion Police Association 2026 Car Show

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to adopt Resolution No. 2026-021, approving the Lake Orion Police Association 2026 Car Show Special Event Application and the License Agreement between the Village of Lake Orion and Bob Aiello of the Lake Orion Police Association for the use of various Village properties on Sunday, July 26, 2026 and to authorize the Village Council President and Village Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the Village.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

C. Receive and File of Invoice Distribution Report for June 9, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to receive and file the bills in the amount of \$292,380.39 of which \$ 18,646.40 are DDA bills for a net total of \$ 273,733.99 and to receive and file the DDA bills.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

D. Receive and File Financial Statements - May 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to receive and file the financial reports for May 2026.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

E. Receive and File of Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to receive and file the Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2026

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

F. Receive and File May 2026 Planning and Zoning Monthly Report by McKenna

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to receive and file May 2026 Planning and Zoning Monthly Report by McKenna, as presented.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

G. Receive and File of Parks and Recreation Special Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to receive and file of Parks and Recreation Special Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2026 as presented.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

H. Receive and File of Parks and Recreation Regular Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2026

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to receive and file of Parks and Recreation Regular Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2026 as presented.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

I. Receive and File May 2026 Police Department Activity Report

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to receive and file the May 2026 Police Department Activity Report.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

J. Michigan Municipal League (MML) Insurance renewal 2026-2027

Removed for further discussion.

K. Receive and File Correspondence dated May 29, 2026, from Michael DeLuca, 206 E. Flint Street, Requesting Consideration of Amendments to Noxious Weeds Ordinance

Removed for further discussion.

8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

J. Michigan Municipal League (MML) Insurance renewal 2026-2027

Harry Stephens commented that, with the ongoing discussion regarding ownership issues associated with the property mapping inventory project, there could be increased liability exposure for the Village and suggested that additional insurance coverage may be needed in the upcoming policy.

Village Manager McClary responded that there was no need to increase the Village's insurance coverage at this time. Council Member Dandalides commented that the potential liability exposure could warrant additional coverage. Village Manager McClary stated that the Village Attorney is aware of the current litigation and that the Village is proceeding cautiously in its handling of the matter. He further noted that the Village Attorney will provide Council with a briefing on the litigation at a future meeting.

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to approve the liability and property insurance renewal proposal of the Michigan Municipal League (MML) in the amount of \$78,195 and authorize the Village Manager to sign the contract subject to review by the Village Attorney.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

MOTION made by Pro Tem Ford, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to authorize Clerk/Treasurer Stout to complete the budget amendment BA-2026-101-851-01 increasing GL 101-851-911-000 by \$1355 for fiscal year 2026-2027.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

K. Receive and File Correspondence dated May 29, 2026, from Michael DeLuca, 206 E. Flint Street, Requesting Consideration of Amendments to Noxious Weeds Ordinance

Council Member Dandalides referenced a resident who had received a noxious weed violation during the month of May and discussed the concept of "No Mow May." He stated that he had researched the initiative, found merit in its environmental benefits, and inquired whether the

Village's Noxious Weed Ordinance could be amended or modified to accommodate the practice.

Village Manager McClary advised that any changes to the ordinance would require Council direction. He noted that allowing lawns to grow for an extended period could have impacts on neighboring properties and recommended obtaining public input before considering amendments to the ordinance.

Council Member Papacek stated that the concept was worth exploring but noted that increased tick activity should be considered. Council Member Lamb expressed that he did not support changing the ordinance itself but suggested that a waiver or permit process, or other special provisions, could be explored.

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Dandalides to direct Administration to investigate a potential permit or waiver process under the Noxious Weed Ordinance to accommodate participation in "No Mow May" and to return with recommendations for Council's consideration at a future meeting.

Chief Amundson stated that the intent of the Noxious Weed Ordinance is to educate residents through the use of courtesy notices. Village Manager McClary reiterated that Council should provide policy direction to Administration regarding any potential changes. Council Member Comparoni Jr. stated that he did not support the proposal.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Papacek
VOTING NAY: Comparoni Jr
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

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VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Papacek
VOTING NAY: Comparoni Jr
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

9. Public Hearings

A. Hearing on Proposed Special Assessment Roll – Sidewalk Improvement Program (SWIP) 2026 District #2

MOTION made by President Pro Tem Ford, Seconded by Council Member Dandalides to open the public hearing on the 2026 Sidewalk Improvement Program (SWIP) District #2 proposed special assessment roll.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

*The Hearing on Proposed Special Assessment Roll – Sidewalk Improvement Program (SWIP)
2026 District #2 opened at 7:16 PM.*

William Baldwin, 504 Atwater Street, objected to being assessed for sidewalk repairs, stating that other properties had sidewalks in greater need of repair and expressing the opinion that residents should not be responsible for the cost of sidewalk replacements.

Chris Cook, 537 Atwater Street, objected to the proposed sidewalk special assessment, citing limited income.

Nick Wieland, 674 Orion Road, disputed the need to replace one section of sidewalk but agreed that two other sections required replacement. He also noted additional sidewalk markings and expressed interest in completing the repairs himself.

Village Manager McClary stated that Administration would review the sidewalk at 537 Atwater Street and, if it was determined that the missing section was the Village's responsibility, the Village would complete the repair.

Charles Larnard, 244 Broadway, expressed concerns that sidewalk repairs related to tree roots could negatively impact his tree and surrounding landscaping.

Harry Stephens commented that the sidewalk at 244 Broadway was a tripping hazard and suggested that the Village could mill the uneven edges. DPW Director Sanchez responded that the uneven edges had already been addressed and that full sidewalk replacement was now necessary.

A resident reported a pothole in the boat launch area and requested that it be addressed.

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by Council Member Moshier to close the public hearing on the 2026 Sidewalk Improvement Program (SWIP) District #2 proposed special assessment roll.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

*The Hearing on Proposed Special Assessment Roll – Sidewalk Improvement Program (SWIP)
2026 District #2 Closed at 8:02 PM.*

Village Manager McClary stated that council could remove any properties from the special assessment role and from the project should they wish to do so as part of the upcoming motion.

MOTION made by Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr. to direct the Assessor to prepare the 2026 Sidewalk Improvement Program (SWIP) District #2 special assessment roll utilizing the low bid unit costs submitted by Italia Construction, Inc., with special assessments to be in as nearly equal installments over three (3) years as possible in

minimum \$500.00 annual assessments, and to proceed to spread the special assessments upon the Village of Lake Orion 2026, 2027, and 2028 summer tax rolls as necessary.

Further, to direct Administration to remove 674 Orion Road from the proposed special assessment district, contingent upon the property owner's completion of the required sidewalk repairs in accordance with Village specifications and within the timeframe established by the Village; to review and address the concerns raised regarding the properties at 537 and 584 Atwater Street; and to direct the DPW to exercise reasonable care in protecting the significant tree and existing landscaping at 244 North Broadway during the sidewalk replacement process, to the extent practicable.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

10. Other Items

A. Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments – Secs. 13.11 and 13.17 – Second Reading and Adoption

Council Member Comparoni Jr. inquired about the enforcement timeline for the newly adopted ordinances. Chief Amundson stated that the intent of the ordinances is to provide residents with an opportunity for education and voluntary compliance before enforcement measures are taken.

Harry Stephens commented that allowing the storage of up to six vehicles on a lakefront property was too permissive.

MOTION made by Pro Tem Ford, Seconded by Council Member Dandalides to give second reading to, and adopt, Ordinance No. 26-109 amending the Village of Lake Orion Zoning Ordinance, Section 13.11, regarding accessory buildings, structures, and uses; and to direct the Village Clerk to publish the required notices.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Papacek
VOTING NAY: Comparoni Jr
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

MOTION made by President Pro Tem Ford, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to give second reading to, and adopt, Ordinance No.26-110 amending the Village of Lake Orion Zoning Ordinance, Section 13.17, regarding parking and storage of mobile homes, travel trailers, motor homes, watercraft, vessels, trucks, and other items; and to direct the Village Clerk to publish the required public notices.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Papacek
VOTING NAY: Comparoni Jr
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

B. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance Adopting the Recodified Code of Ordinances

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to introduce and give First Reading to Ordinance No. A-10, an ordinance adopting and enacting the recodified Code of Ordinances of the Village of Lake Orion, prepared in conjunction with CivicPlus, replacing the existing codification maintained by American Legal Publishing; and to schedule the ordinance for Second Reading and consideration for adoption at the Village Council's July 13, 2026 regular meeting; and to direct the Village Clerk to publish the required public notice.

Council Member Lamb commented on the ease of use of the updated system.

President Pro Tem Ford referenced language on page 480 of the agenda packet pertaining to the Central Business District and inquired whether it could be removed prior to publication. Administration indicated that the matter would be reviewed.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

C. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance – Amendments to Chapter 53 – Outdoor Irrigation Metering

Council raised questions regarding the application of base charges for separate irrigation meters. Administration stated that a water base charge would apply to each meter as a ready-to-serve fee, while no sewer base charge would be assessed. Several Council Members expressed concern that a full additional base charge may not be appropriate for a secondary irrigation meter installed downstream of the primary service meter. Discussion included the need to recover costs associated with meter maintenance, replacement, and additional billing administration through an alternative fee structure. Administration agreed to further evaluate the issue and return with recommendations regarding appropriate charges for irrigation meters.

Steve Samet expressed support for the proposed irrigation meter program and stated that he did not believe a second base rate for an irrigation meter was necessary, while appreciating the cost savings associated with not assessing sewer charges on outdoor water use.

Harry Stephens inquired about the use of private wells for residents who wish to irrigate their lawns.

MOTION made by President Pro Tem Ford, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to introduce and give first reading to an ordinance amending Chapter 53 – Water to permit the metering of outdoor irrigation and the adjustment of sanitary sewer bills accordingly; to schedule the ordinance for second reading and consideration for adoption at the Village Council's July 13, 2026, regular meeting; and to direct the Village Clerk to publish the required notice of the same.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

D. Quarterly Goals and Objectives Check-In

Council reviewed the quarterly Goals and Objectives progress report and discussed the status of several initiatives. Council emphasized the importance of establishing measurable timelines and updating target completion dates when milestones are not met. Concerns were expressed regarding the completion status of certain objectives, particularly the Village/Township consolidation committee, with discussion centering on the scope of the committee's work and opportunities for additional public input.

Council also discussed ongoing objectives related to collaboration with the Township and DDA, government transparency, the Lake Orion drawdown structure, implementation of engineering standards, and the inventory of Village-owned properties. Overall, Council supported continued monitoring of the goals and requested that future quarterly reports include updated timelines and a more detailed method for tracking progress toward completion.

E. Live Streaming and Recording of Special Meetings-Dandalides request

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by Council Member Lamb to direct Administration to schedule and plan all public council meetings (regular and special) so that they may be live-streamed and recorded (both video and audio) unless specifically determined and directed otherwise by council for a specific meeting.

Council Member Lamb expressed concerns regarding the proposed motion as it relates to special meetings, noting that ONTV scheduling conflicts and obligations to other boards could limit the availability of livestreaming services. He also noted that special meetings are often scheduled on short notice, creating additional logistical challenges. Clerk/Treasurer Stout suggested amending the motion to establish Council Chambers as the default location for special meetings, unless otherwise directed by Council, with the intent that such meetings be livestreamed and recorded whenever feasible.

AMENDED MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, seconded by Council Member Lamb, to direct Administration to schedule and plan all regular and special public Village Council meetings to be held in the Council Chambers, unless otherwise directed by Council, with the expectation that meetings will be livestreamed and/or recorded and made available for public viewing, either live or through a later upload when feasible, unless Council specifically directs otherwise for a particular meeting.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Rutt
MOTION: Carried

11. Call to the Public

Rosemary Ford commented on the importance of transparency in local government and expressed concern regarding statements by some Council members about the potential dissolution of the Village, noting that elected officials have taken an oath of office.

Harry Stephens commented that the bank stabilization project has been included in the Council's Goals and Objectives for an extended period and noted the importance of continuing to address the project.

12. DDA Director Comments

Spoke during Public Comment section.

13. Council Comments

Council Member Lamb thanked those in attendance for coming to the meeting and expressed appreciation to residents participating in discussion regarding the sidewalk matters.

Council Member Comparoni Jr. commented that while additional ordinances may limit certain resident activities, there are also benefits to the Village as a whole, and noted that some residents are motivated to minimize costs.

Council Member Dandalides responded to comments made by Rosemary Ford, clarifying that his remarks were intended to explore options and that it is reasonable for Council to consider alternatives that may be in the best interest of the Village. He stated that he was not advocating for the dissolution of the Village.

Council Member Moshier thanked residents for attending, commented positively on the weather, and noted excitement for upcoming community events.

Council Member Papacek stated that there was strong engagement on a variety of topics throughout the meeting.

President Pro Tem Ford emphasized the value of the public hearing process, encouraged residents to remain informed, and expressed confidence in the Village process to address community issues effectively.

14. Village Manager Comments

Village Manager McClary reported that Council Members should expect a Doodle poll for scheduling the upcoming water and sewer rate discussions. He announced that the Atwater Park contract has been executed and informed Council of his planned absence on Tuesday. He also advised that the Office Manager and the part-time police officer have submitted their resignations.

15. Closed Session Items

16. Business From Closed Session

17. Adjournment

MOTION made by Council Member Comparoni Jr, Seconded by President Pro Tem Ford to adjourn the June 8, 2026 Village Council Regular Meeting.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Rutt

MOTION: Carried

The June 8, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Teresa Rutt

President

Sonja Stout, MiCPT

Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved: as presented on June 22, 2026