



Village Council Regular Meeting

August 27, 2026 at 7:00 PM
2829 Minerva Lake Rd.

Agenda

Roll Call/Vote to Excuse any Absent Member

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

- 1. MOTION TO APPROVE** 8/13/26 Committee as a Whole Minutes
- 2. MOTION TO APPROVE** 8/13/26 Council Meeting Minutes

Presentation

3. Columbus Parks & Rec regarding Green Line Park Project

Citizen Comments

Legislation

4. **MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES REQUIRING 3 READINGS** for ORDINANCE 2026-12
5. **MOTION TO APPROVE** ORDINANCE 2026-12 Transfer of Appropriations
AN ORDINANCE TO REALLOCATE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK FOR THE YEAR 2026
6. **MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES REQUIRING 3 READINGS** for RESOLUTION 2026-17
7. **MOTION TO APPROVE** RESOLUTION 2026-17
A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF HAYDEN WALPOLE AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Old Business

New Business

Adjourn

Executive Summary

Committee as a Whole Work Session

Date: August 13, 2026

Meeting Start: Approximately 6:31 p.m.

Meeting Length: Approximately 46 minutes

Purpose: Committee discussion and work-session review of financial matters, capital projects, safety issues, personnel matters, and proposed legislation/administrative issues.

Attendance: Councilpersons Grant, Martin Paessun, Pinter, Camara (Absent: Councilperson Koss)

Also in attendance: Mayor Southard, Fiscal Officer Wilcheck, Chief Delp

1. Financial Update and July Financial Report

The Fiscal Officer reported that the July financial report had been distributed to Council earlier in the week and invited Council members to provide comments or questions.

Income Tax Collections

- Income tax collections were initially reported as **3.3% ahead of the prior year**.
- The most recent August distribution increased the year-over-year improvement to approximately **3.9%**.
- The Fiscal Officer indicated that he was not assuming the percentage would increase substantially further for the remainder of the year.

Northlake Court Project

The Committee discussed the Northlake Court project and the contract award to **Strouser**, which submitted the lowest qualified bid.

- Total project cost: approximately **\$211,000**
- Road work: approximately **\$83,000**
- Waterline work: approximately **\$128,000**
- The project will require portions of the existing roadway to be disturbed.
- Rather than leave patched pavement, the affected areas will be milled and repaved, including portions extending toward the Curwood/East Shore intersection.

The project cost is approximately **\$35,000 higher than the original \$175,000 estimate**, continuing a broader pattern of municipal construction bids exceeding preliminary estimates.

2. Pool and Concession Stand Financial Performance

The Committee reviewed year-to-date financial performance for the municipal pool and concession operation.

Concession Stand

- Through July, the concession operation was approximately **\$4,300 in the negative**.
- The Committee noted that the season was not yet complete and that final results would be available after September.

Pool

- Through July, the pool was approximately **\$542 in the negative**.

- The Fiscal Officer explained that the figures were being considered on a **cash basis**, reflecting actual revenues received and expenses paid.
- Council discussed whether membership revenue was being prorated; the Fiscal Officer clarified the accounting approach.

Members expressed cautious optimism that the pool's final operating loss could be substantially lower than in prior years, particularly because membership revenue had helped bring the operation close to break-even.

Pool Pump Motor

The Committee was also informed that the motor for the pool's main pump had failed.

- The motor was reportedly heavily corroded.
- The corrosion was attributed to chemical exposure in the pump-house environment.
- The exact repair/replacement cost was not yet known.
- A plan was discussed to move pool chemicals into the adjacent shed to reduce exposure to corrosive chemicals.
- This would require the Police Department to relocate materials currently stored in that shed.

3. Major Financial Discussion: Pool House and Pool Project Costs

The most significant discussion of the meeting concerned the potential cost of the pool-house and pool projects and the City's ability to absorb higher-than-anticipated construction costs. The Fiscal Officer specifically asked Council to begin establishing a financial threshold for the projects because recent bids have consistently exceeded estimates.

Concern Over Escalating Construction Costs

The Committee noted several examples where actual bids exceeded preliminary estimates, including:

- Northlake Court
- Northlake Road
- Garage work
- Municipal building work
- The Northlake Court project discussed that evening

Council members expressed concern that the same pattern could occur with the pool house and pool projects.

The pool-house project is currently estimated at approximately **\$650,000**, exclusive of approximately **\$90,000 in engineering/design-related costs already incurred or anticipated**.

Members discussed the possibility that a bid could come in substantially higher—for example, around **\$900,000**—and acknowledged that Council needs to determine in advance what level of additional expenditure would be acceptable.

Financial Capacity Discussed

The Fiscal Officer outlined several potential funding sources and limitations:

- Approximately **\$345,000 in grant funding** is available for the bathhouse/pool-house project.

- Approximately **\$350,000** has been set aside in a dedicated fund.
- The intention is to pay cash for the pool house if the project remains within the available funding.
- The pool project has approximately **\$1 million** already set aside in the project fund.
- The Fiscal Officer indicated that he was comfortable with approximately **\$2 million in bonds payable from income tax**, resulting in approximately **\$3 million** when combined with the existing project funds.
- An additional grant of approximately **\$500,000** may be available, although it is not guaranteed.
- Additional General Fund support could potentially be considered, but doing so could affect the City's ability to respond to emergencies and maintain other services.
- A property-tax-supported bond issue could potentially be considerably larger, but would involve voter approval and additional tax considerations.

Council Concerns

Council members emphasized that:

1. The City needs a clear understanding of its existing and future financial obligations.
2. Preliminary project estimates should not be treated as the likely final cost given recent bidding history.
3. Council should consider a meaningful contingency for cost escalation and change orders.
4. The community's ability and willingness to support additional taxation must be considered.
5. The pool should remain a community asset rather than becoming an unsustainable financial burden.
6. Council should establish financial boundaries **before** bids are received rather than attempting to determine affordability after a bid arrives.

One member characterized the recurring pattern of higher-than-estimated bids as a reason to effectively budget with a significant cushion below the maximum amount the City believes it can afford.

Bond/Engineering Status

The Committee was informed that the administration was still awaiting information regarding the pool project's bond/bid documents.

The expectation had been that the bid document would be issued in August. An updated response was still pending, and the administration indicated that any new information received would be distributed to Council.

Council acknowledged that even if it ultimately rejects a project bid, the City may still have financial obligations for engineering and other work already completed.

Overall Direction

No final spending ceiling was adopted during the work session. However, the discussion established a clear need for:

- A comprehensive financial picture of the pool and pool-house projects.
- Identification of maximum financially responsible project costs.

- Greater consideration of contingencies.
- Continued exploration of grant and financing options.
- A coordinated Council/administration discussion before committing to costs substantially above current estimates.

4. Safety Committee — Basketball Courts

The Committee turned to safety matters, with the basketball courts identified as an immediate issue requiring a practical next step.

Basketball Court Configuration

The discussion focused on reopening the basketball courts while addressing an equipment problem.

- One basketball hoop was reported to be damaged.
- The group discussed putting one usable hoop/court back into service rather than keeping both sides closed.
- The preferred location discussed was the **west side**, although the usable side will ultimately determine the configuration.
- Staff were directed to assess the condition and make the necessary arrangements.
- A lock/cover mechanism was also being considered so that the court could be closed quickly if necessary.

The goal was to provide the community with access while balancing safety and the condition of the equipment.

5. Ponderosa Traffic and Safety Concerns

A substantial portion of the safety discussion concerned traffic patterns, speeding complaints, signage, and the configuration of the Ponderosa area.

Council members emphasized the need to move the matter forward because it has been discussed repeatedly without a final resolution.

Prior Work and Unresolved Issues

The Committee reviewed several previous efforts involving:

- Striping and pavement markings
- Traffic-control signs
- Stop-sign versus yield-sign considerations
- Potential traffic studies
- Placement of pylons
- Engineering recommendations

Members noted that prior efforts had stopped because there was not a clear or technically appropriate way to stripe and paint the area.

The Committee agreed that the history of previous decisions should be documented so future discussions do not repeatedly restart from the beginning.

Engineering/Traffic Consultant

The group discussed contacting **Peterson** to determine:

- What traffic-control measures would be appropriate.

- Whether a formal traffic study is necessary.
- What type of pavement markings could legally and practically be used.
- Whether the firm can perform the necessary analysis or recommend an appropriate traffic engineer.

The intent is to obtain an objective technical recommendation rather than continuing to debate the issue without sufficient information.

Speed Monitoring

Council requested additional speed data in the Ponderosa area.

The Police Chief explained that the City's dedicated speed-monitoring equipment had recently malfunctioned after data was downloaded.

- The equipment reportedly suffered an electrical failure.
- It may need to be shipped to Texas for repair.
- Because of the equipment problem, a traditional speed study cannot immediately be completed with that device.

As an alternative, the Chief suggested using one of the City's **speed-feedback signs** to collect information and provide motorists with visible speed feedback.

Council agreed that objective data would help determine whether the perceived speeding problem is occurring at the level reported by residents.

The Chief also reported that officers have conducted periodic speed enforcement in the area but have not observed the extreme speeds reported by some residents.

General Safety Approach

The Committee agreed that the issue should be approached using a combination of:

- Objective speed data
- Engineering analysis
- Resident concerns
- Police observations
- Review of prior studies and decisions

No final change to the traffic-control configuration was adopted during this work session.

6. Police Department Personnel

The Chief provided several personnel updates.

New Officers

- Two applicants received **conditional offers**.
- Both applicants accepted.
- Background/medical-related processing is underway.
- One applicant may be ready for Council action and swearing-in soon.
- The second applicant is experiencing a delay because the required medical appointment, including a stress test, is not available until September 22.
- The Department is exploring whether another qualified medical provider can conduct the required examination sooner.

Additional Applicant

The Department has received one or two additional applicants for the remaining position. Council members were advised to expect interview requests.

Retirement and Promotion

- **Lieutenant Tammy Phillips** retired effective **August 8, 2026**.
- An acting lieutenant was scheduled to be formally promoted to lieutenant during the Council meeting that evening.

7. Police Department Display Cabinet

The Committee received an informational update regarding a proposed display cabinet for Police Department memorabilia, including MPCA-related items and Village memorabilia.

Existing funds had previously been set aside for:

- Additional ventilation/air conditioning for a storage area; and
- Furniture for conversion of the wellness room.

Those projects had not yet used the allocated funds.

The Department proposed using a portion of those existing funds to purchase the display cabinet.

Direction

No objection was raised. The Department intends to proceed using the existing allocation without requiring a new appropriation, subject to the previously discussed funding parameters.

8. Street Trees / Tree Lawn Responsibility

The Committee discussed responsibility for maintaining and replacing trees located in tree lawns, particularly in newer residential sections.

Existing Issue

Several trees in the newer section reportedly have died.

There was uncertainty regarding whether the current code clearly establishes:

- Who is responsible for replacing a dead tree;
- Whether responsibility depends on whether the tree died naturally or was damaged;
- Whether property owners must replace all trees associated with their lots; and
- Whether the Village should manage replacement centrally.

Council recalled prior discussions concerning these issues and noted that the current code gives administration some discretion, but the language may not be sufficiently clear for consistent enforcement.

Proposed Assessment/Fund

One proposal discussed was an annual assessment of approximately **\$25 per affected property** to establish a dedicated tree fund.

Under the concept discussed:

- The property owner would be responsible for appropriate care/management of the trees.
- The Village would use the dedicated fund to replace trees that die from natural causes.

- A property owner could remain responsible for replacing a tree that was intentionally or negligently destroyed, such as by a vehicle.
- The approach could provide consistency in tree species and replacement standards.
- The assessment could potentially apply to areas where the Village has intentionally established street trees rather than being limited to one specific development.

The Committee noted that an assessment could be approximately **\$2.10 per month** at a \$25 annual rate.

Next Steps

The discussion did not result in final legislation.

Staff/Council will need to:

- Review the existing code.
- Determine exactly which properties/areas should be included.
- Clarify owner versus Village responsibilities.
- Determine the appropriate assessment mechanism and timing.
- Draft legislation if Council wishes to proceed.

9. Utility Cost Discussion

At the conclusion of the meeting, members briefly discussed rising household utility costs.

The Fiscal Officer explained that consumers can potentially reduce utility costs by comparing available retail suppliers through the Public Utilities Commission.

He noted that the Village actively monitors utility rates and attempts to control its own electricity and other utility costs.

This was primarily an informational discussion and did not result in Council action.

Key Takeaways

The August 13 work session was dominated by **financial planning and risk management**, particularly in relation to the pool and pool-house projects.

The most significant issues for Council moving forward are:

1. **Establishing a financially responsible ceiling for the pool-house project before bids are received.**
 2. **Determining the maximum sustainable cost of the broader pool project.**
 3. **Understanding the City's current debt obligations, available funds, bonding capacity, grants, and General Fund implications.**
 4. **Accounting for the recurring pattern of construction bids exceeding estimates.**
 5. **Obtaining objective engineering and speed data before making additional traffic-control decisions at Ponderosa.**
 6. **Moving forward with a practical basketball-court configuration while addressing damaged equipment.**
 7. **Continuing police hiring and onboarding efforts.**
 8. **Clarifying municipal/property-owner responsibility for street-tree replacement and evaluating a potential tree assessment/fund.**
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Overall Assessment

The work session underscored a growing need for **more disciplined long-range financial planning around major capital projects**. Council members generally supported completing important community projects but expressed concern that escalating construction costs, engineering expenses, contingencies, and future debt service could materially change the financial picture.

The Committee did not make a final determination on the maximum pool or pool-house expenditure. Instead, the discussion established that Council wants a clearer understanding of the City's financial capacity and the consequences of higher project bids before making further commitments.

The meeting also advanced several operational matters—particularly the basketball courts, Ponderosa traffic concerns, police staffing, and tree maintenance—but most of those issues remain subject to additional staff work, engineering review, or legislation.

Jeffrey Wilcheck, Fiscal Officer

Tiffany Southard, Mayor

Executive Summary-Village of Minerva Park – Regular Village Council Meeting

Date: August 13, 2026 **Meeting Called to Order:** 7:22 p.m.

Attendance: Councilpersons Camara, Paessun, Pinter, Grant, Martin

Motion to approve the absence of Councilperson Koss made by Grant, 2nd by Paessun; approved with unanimous aye vote

Also in attendance: Mayor Southard, Police Chief Delp, Legal Counsel Shamp, Planner Fischer

The Council also conducted a promotional ceremony recognizing Sergeant Michael Fout's promotion to Lieutenant.

Meeting Minutes

Council unanimously approved the following prior meeting minutes:

- July 15, 2026 Pool Meeting: Motion by Grant; 2nd by Pinter
- July 16, 2026 Work Session: Motion by Paessun; 2nd by Martin
- July 16, 2026 Special Council Meeting: Motion by Grant; 2nd by Paessun
- August 6, 2026 Council Work Session: Motion by Pinter; 2nd by Paessun

Key Department and Administrative Updates

Police Department

Chief Delp reported that two police applicants had received and accepted conditional offers. One additional opening remained, with one or two candidates being prepared for interviews. The Council formally recognized the promotion of Sergeant Michael Fout to Lieutenant. The promotion follows the retirement of Lieutenant Tammy Phillips, whose final day with the department was August 8.

The Police Department was also recognized for achieving Elite Status through Lexipol's Readiness Recognition Program, reflecting the department's policies, operational readiness, training, and risk-management practices.

Engineering and Infrastructure

The Village continues to work with the contractor on remaining items associated with the maintenance garage project, with completion anticipated after the final outstanding issues are resolved.

Task Order No. 34, involving roadway improvements, is nearing completion. AT&T utility-line burial work remains among the final steps, with completion anticipated within the next several weeks.

For North Lake Court, the Village expects to proceed with Strawser following the July 31 bid opening. Formal notices and project initiation were expected to follow.

The Village also received several statements of qualifications for MS-4 professional services and will review those submissions over the next several weeks.

Planning and Zoning

Village Planner Eric Fischer provided several updates:

- A draft patio ordinance, originally developed around 2020, has been located and is being reviewed for minor updates. It is expected to go before Planning & Zoning before returning to Council for possible ordinance action.
- Columbus is advancing plans associated with the Greenline, which will require consideration through Planning & Zoning and ultimately Council.
- A commercial property/transportation-related project at approximately 5474 was discussed. Due to high construction costs, the property owner is proceeding with part of the parking improvements and business operations but is not currently able to complete the proposed maintenance garage and rear improvements.
- Planning and zoning changes concerning the New York Commercial District overlay along Cleveland Avenue are expected to return to Council for consideration, following recommendations previously developed by the Board of Zoning and Appeals.
- The Village continues to receive complaints concerning high grass and is addressing those matters.

Planning & Zoning was scheduled to meet August 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Sidewalk and Pathway Project

The pathway project was one of the meeting's most substantial policy discussions.

Engineering and surveying work is progressing, although contractual language remains under final review. The surveyor is working on the right-of-way survey, which must be substantially completed before the engineers can proceed with significant design work.

The anticipated project area includes:

- Minerva Lake Road extending west; and
- Jordan Road.

Council discussed the possibility that available grant funding may not ultimately be sufficient to construct every desired component because of rising construction costs. Engineers will develop preliminary designs and identify project constraints, alternatives, estimated costs, and recommended approaches before returning to Council.

Council was advised that public meetings are contemplated as part of the engineering process. However, because the Village accepted grant funding based upon specified pathway concepts, substantial changes to the project could require discussions with MORPC and COTA.

The next major engineering/design update was anticipated in approximately **60–75 days**.

Finance

The July financial summary was reported as generally consistent with the prior year. Income-tax receipts may ultimately be lower than previously projected, although timing of collections was identified as a factor.

Council anticipates a series of budget meetings beginning near the end of September. These meetings will focus on the Village's financial outlook and preparation for year-end and future budgeting.

The pool house is expected to be among the subjects of discussion.

Council also discussed the pool concession stand, emphasizing the need to monitor operations and work toward at least breaking even. Because most inventory has already been purchased, future concession expenses were expected to be relatively limited, primarily involving employee costs, while the remaining inventory generates sales.

Safety and Traffic

Council discussed several safety and traffic matters:

Basketball Courts

Council agreed to install **one functioning basketball hoop** as a trial arrangement, while preserving the possibility of continued non-basketball recreational use of the court area. Installation was anticipated around the start of the school year.

Ponderosa/Kerrwood

The longstanding traffic issue at Ponderosa/Kerrwood remains under review. Council intends to revisit possible solutions with the traffic consultant/company and document the history, alternatives considered, and rationale for future decisions.

Briar Rose/Maplewood

A speed-monitoring device had malfunctioned, preventing collection of the intended data. The Village plans to relocate a functioning speed-feedback sign to Briar Rose for several weeks to collect updated traffic information.

A second speed-feedback sign may be deployed near the Ponderosa/Kerrwood intersection to obtain additional data.

Legislation

Resolution 2026-15 – Pathways Fund Advance

Council considered the third reading of Resolution 2026-15, authorizing an advance to the Sidewalks and Pathways Fund and declaring an emergency.

Motion to approve RES 2026-15 made by Grant; 2nd by Paessun

Voting Aye: Camara, Grant, Martin, Paessun, Pinter

Resolution 2026-16 – Meadowbrook Park Fee Schedule

Council considered the third reading of Resolution 2026-16, revising the Minerva Park Fee Schedule and declaring an emergency.

Motion to amend the fee schedule to increase the special duty hourly fee from \$65 to \$75 made by Martin; 2nd by Paessun

Voting Aye: Grant, Martin, Paessun, Pinter, Camara

Motion to approve RES 2026-15 made by Grant; 2nd by Paessun

Voting Aye: Martin, Paessun, Pinter, Camara, Grant

Citizen Comments

Resident Tony Benedetti addressed Council regarding several issues, particularly the longstanding Ponderosa traffic discussion, neighborhood parking, use of the basketball courts, and the Village's handling of public-records requests.

He expressed the view that the Ponderosa/Kerrwood intersection does not present a significant safety or speeding problem and questioned whether some of the proposed responses were necessary.

He also raised concerns regarding the volume and processing time of public-records requests, stating that his own request had remained outstanding for several weeks.

His comments contributed to the Council's broader discussion regarding traffic data, neighborhood concerns, and records-request administration.

Upcoming Events and Activities

First Responders Night

Council discussed the upcoming **First Responders Night**, scheduled for:

September 8, 2026

5:30–7:30 p.m.

Minerva Park Middle school

The event will include multiple public-safety agencies and potentially helicopters. Council members and community volunteers were encouraged to assist with setup, food, tables, chairs, and cleanup.

State Representative Community Meeting

A state representative is scheduled to appear at Village Hall the following Thursday at **7:00 p.m.** to discuss legislative priorities, recent developments at the State Capitol, community issues, local updates, and constituent outreach.

Phantom Fireworks Annual Follow-Up Meeting

A meeting with was scheduled for **August 21 at 11:00 a.m.**, with the Safety Committee invited to participate.

Overall Assessment

The August 13 meeting reflected a Village government actively managing several concurrent infrastructure, financial, public-safety, and planning initiatives. The pathway program emerged as a major long-term priority, with engineering and surveying moving forward while Council weighs design alternatives, construction costs, grant restrictions, and public input.

Public safety remains another prominent focus, with the Police Department receiving significant recognition for its Lexipol achievement and continuing recruitment efforts. Council also continued to address neighborhood traffic concerns through data collection rather than relying solely on anecdotal reports.

Financially, the Village is preparing for its next budget cycle while monitoring income-tax receipts and evaluating the financial performance of recreational operations. The approved fee-schedule revisions and pathway-fund advance provide additional administrative and financial mechanisms for supporting Village operations and infrastructure.

Overall, the meeting established several concrete follow-up actions while maintaining progress on major capital projects and community priorities.

Jeffrey Wilcheck, Fiscal Officer

Tiffany Southard, Mayor

ORDINANCE 2026-12

AN ORDINANCE TO REALLOCATE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK FOR THE YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, it is necessary to supplement the appropriations in Ordinance 2025-22 for the year ending December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of appropriations herein are to be effective for the year ending December 31, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO THAT:

Section 1. The Fiscal Officer is authorized to reallocation appropriations as presented below:

From	To	Amount
Auditing Services, Other	Street Lighting, Other	\$1,000
Provide and Maintain Parks, Salaries	Swimming Pool, Other	5,000
Auditing Services, Other	Concessions, Salaries	2,500
Provide and Maintain Parks, Salaries	Council, Salaries	600
Provide and Maintain Parks, Salaries	Lands and Buildings, Other	3,600
Total		\$12,700

Section 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements of the laws of the State of Ohio.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage.

Tiffany Southard, Mayor

First Reading: August 27, 2026
Second Reading: Waived
Third Reading: Waived
Passed: August 27, 2026

ATTEST

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Jeffrey Wilcheck, Fiscal Officer

Solicitor

RESOLUTION 2026-17

Item # 7.

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF HAYDEN WALPOLE AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy in the Village of Minerva Park Police Department for a full-time Police Officer; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council for the Village of Minerva Park wish to fill the full-time Police Officer position; and,

WHEREAS, Hayden Walpole will begin serving as a full-time Police Officer in the Minerva Park Police Department on August 27, 2026, and has the necessary qualifications to fill this position; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 737.16, Ohio Revised Code, the Mayor appointed Hayden Walpole as a full-time Police Officer for the Village of Minerva Park to begin on August 27, 2026, and Council for the Village of Minerva Park now wishes to confirm this appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK, OHIO THAT:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 737.16, Ohio Revised Code, Council for the Village of Minerva Park hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of Hayden Walpole as a Full-Time Police Officer beginning August 27, 2026.

Section 2. Pursuant to Section 737.16, Ohio Revised Code, this appointment and confirmation shall be for a probationary period of six months consecutive service, and shall not be finally made until Hayden Walpole has satisfactorily served the probationary period and the Mayor, with the concurrence of Council, have finally appointed Hayden Walpole.

Section 3. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the laws of the State of Ohio.

Section 4. All prior legislation, or any parts thereof, which is/are inconsistent with this Resolution is/are hereby repealed as to the inconsistent parts thereof.

Section 5. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare and specifically so that the above-named Officer may immediately begin serving to his/her full capacity Wherefore, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

First Reading: August 27, 2026
Second Reading: Waived
Third Reading: Waived
Passed: August 27, 2026

Tiffany Southard, Mayor

ATTESTS

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Jeffrey Wilcheck, Fiscal Officer

Jesse Shamp, Solicitor