

**TOWN OF LIMA**  
**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2026, 7:00 PM TOWN HALL**

CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Bernard, Rocky Pulley, Jackie Sutton, Travis Wilson, David Olsen

STAFF PRESENT: Dina Young

OTHERS PRESENT: Sharon Novitski, Addie Edmisten, Tim Dehl, Branden Thornton

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT/NON-AGENDA ITEMS: NONE

CORRESPONDENCE: Councilor Pulley read a letter from him to the mayor and council advising that he will be resigning from his council position effective 5/1/26 due to his upcoming relocation out of the area.

LIMA AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION REPORT: Dehl reported that the Reimagining Rural meetings went well and opened up grant opportunities. They are working on installing a sprinkler system and are looking at landscaping ideas. They spoke with the Forest Service about the property on Harrison and were advised that the Forest Service is looking into a way to either donate the property or sell it at a low price for the purpose of affordable housing. A petition also went around regarding this and received over 80 signatures in support.

CONSENT AGENDA: A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to approve the consent agenda. No public comment. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION TAKEN:**

1. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to approve the corrected minutes from the 1/12/26 council meeting. No public comment. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Discussed bids for addition of bathroom and office at new shop. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to table this item to the April meeting with the intention of meeting with the contractor. No public comment. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Discussed bid for spray foam for new shop. A motion by Pulley, seconded by Wilson, to table this item to the April meeting to have time to get the cost of bats or a second bid for spray foam. No public comment. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Discussed septic and fence for shop area. Wilson obtained estimate from Stosich, Inc. for fence at \$5,810 (wood and wire with two steel gates). Bernard explained the process for installing septic and how the county is involved. Wilson will speak with the county as well as with Deere Creek regarding leveling out the area. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to table this topic to the April meeting. No public comment. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
5. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to approve the Fifth Annual Town-Wide Yard Sale for June 20, 2026. No public comment. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
6. After discussion, a motion by Wilson, seconded by Sutton, to purchase 8 curbs (so they are all the same) for the east parking lot, and the fire department will reimburse the town for 4 of them. No public comment. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Discussed the formation of a parking area on the east side of the fire hall across the road. Wilson believes this is something the town can do and offered to help. Bernard also offered to help. A motion by Pulley, seconded by Sutton, to approve the formation of a parking area on the east side of the fire

hall across the road. Public comment by Thornton. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Discussed 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration and event ideas. The council agreed to hold an informational town meeting on this topic at its next work session (4/6). Public comment given by Thornton, Dehl, and Novitski.

OLD BUSINESS AND ACTION TAKEN:

9. Discussion regarding greenhouses. A motion by Sutton, seconded by Bernard, to table this topic to the April meeting. No public comment. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Discussed planning Board recruitment and creation. This topic will continue to be discussed. Public comment given by Novitski.
11. Discussed the possibility of hiring a seasonal worker for mowing (tabled from 7/14/25 meeting). Story was not in attendance but advised the clerk that he believes he is able to handle the mowing. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to remove this item from the agenda. No public comment. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
12. Discussed status of project to install awnings at fire hall entrances. Wilson has not been receiving responses to his quote requests but will continue to attempt to obtain quotes. Public comment given by Novitski.
13. Discussed MMIA Workers' Compensation wind-down. Clerk advised quotes have not yet been received due to Workers' Compensation rate changes but should be received in time for the April meeting. No public comment.

SHERIFF'S REPORT: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: Clerk advised Thornton offered to donate the gazebo at the gas station to the town. Bernard advised he previously attempted to move the gazebo to no avail and believes it would cost more than it is worth to move it due to it not being able to be moved without taking it apart.  
Bernard advised he was asked if the town would sell 20 loads of topsoil.  
Wilson advised that he believes the town should budget for a new commercial lawn mower. The council agreed to add this item to the April meeting agenda.

A motion by Pulley, seconded by Bernard, to adjourn meeting. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Wilson aye, Sutton aye. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. Council work session (town meeting to discuss 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration) scheduled for Monday, April 6, 2026, at 7:00 pm. Next regular council meeting to be held Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 7:00 pm.

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Mayor

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Clerk