

VILLAGE OF MADISON
Regular Council Meeting
January 12, 2026

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Mayor Britton called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Swearing in of incumbent council members Mr. Lee, Mr. Adams, and Ms. Drown was done by Law Director Szeman.

Mayor Britton invited all in attendance to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mayor Britton requested that everyone observe a moment of silence. Council Members Mr. Adams, Mr. Donaldson, Ms. Drown, Mr. Lee and Mr. Vest were in attendance. Also in attendance were Administrator Mr. Chapman, Law Director Mr. Szeman, Assistant Village Engineer Tommy Somogyi and Chief of Police Troy McIntosh. Fiscal Officer Kristie Crockett was absent due to illness.

Mayor Britton announced the re-org for 2026.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Ms. Lee to appoint Mr. Vest as the President of Council.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Vest to appoint Mr. Adams as Vice President of Council.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Donaldson, seconded by Mr. Lee to keep Councilpersons Mr. Adams, Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Lee appointed to the Fire Board Committee.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor Britton appointed Ms. Drown to the Health Department Committee.

Mayor Britton appointed himself, Jason Chapman, Kristie Crockett, Sally Rogus and Dana Drown to the Records Commission Committee.

Mayor Britton appointed himself, Jason Chapman, Kristie Crockett, Chief McIntosh, Mr. Vest and Ms. Drown to the Finance Committee.

Mayor Britton appointed himself, Jason Chapman, Kristie Crockett, Sally Rogus and Chrissy Sorber to the Tax Incentive Review Council.

A motion was made by Mr. Donaldson, seconded by Mr. Adams to appoint Mr. Mike Evangelista as a replacement for Mr. Meister, and Councilman Vest to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission. The other P&Z members; Mr. Greg Myers and Mr. Robert Muller will continue to serve their current terms respectively.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Donaldson, seconded by Mr. Vest to appoint Mr. Eric Nainiger, and Councilman Adams to serve on the Board of Zoning Appeals. The other BZA members; Ms. Kate Marley and Mr. Norm Shimko will continue to serve their current terms respectively.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Donaldson, seconded by Ms. Drown to appoint Ms. Doris Moran to the Madison Senior Center Board for another 3-year term.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Donaldson, seconded by Mr. Adams to appoint Ms. Chrissy Sorber to the Madison Rec District Board for another 2-year term, and Mr. Thomas Knowles for a 2-year term. Mr. Knowles will be replacing Mr. Duane Frager.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor Britton appointed Ms. Drown, and Mr. Vest to serve as council representatives on the Safety Advisory Group, along with himself and Chief McIntosh.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

MINUTES

Mayor Britton announced minutes to be approved for the Council Meeting held on December 22, 2025.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Ms. Drown.

Questions/Discussions – None

Roll call on approval, 4 yeas. 1 abstention. Mr. Lee abstained. Motion carried.

FIRST HEARING OF PERSONS BEFORE COUNCIL: None

PAY ORDINANCE

Mayor Britton presented Pay Ordinance No. 2534: \$108,675.98 for payroll and \$87,753.93 for current and upcoming expenses, for a total of \$196,429.91.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Drown.

Questions/Discussions – None

Roll call on approval, 5 yeas. Motion carried.

OLD LEGISLATION

ORDINANCE NO. 26-2025: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF MADISON VILLAGE, OHIO, SECTION 131.03, TO ELIMINATE THE POSITION OF DETECTIVE/ASSISTANT CHIEF AND ADD THE NEW FULL TIME POSITION OF POLICE CAPTAIN, ESTABLISHING THE PAY GRADE LEVEL AND FLSA STATUS FOR THE POSITION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

(2nd Reading)

NEW LEGISLATION

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2026: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING BOB'S GARAGE AND TOWING FOR BEING NAMED THE 2026 BUSINESS OF THE YEAR BY THE EASTERN LAKE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

A motion for passage was made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried

RESOLUTION NO. 2-2026: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE SUB-ZERO MISSION FOR BEING NAMED THE 2026 BEACON AWARD WINNER BY THE EASTERN LAKE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

A motion for passage was made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried

RESOLUTION NO. 2-2026: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE DAVID KOMJATI FOR BEING NAMED THE 2026 BEACON AWARD WINNER BY THE EASTERN LAKE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

A motion for passage was made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Ms. Drown.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried

PURCHASE ORDERS AND OTHER APPROVAL PERMITTED BY MOTION:

A Purchase Order to the Baldwin Group in the amount of \$2,002.00 for the annual software support for Mayor's Court.

A motion for passage was made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- **Engineer's report** – Mr. Somogyi explained that Meyer's RV would like to expand east along the I-90 Corridor, but there are a few issues that need to be worked out regarding Planning and Zoning. He also expressed that they are working with Major Waste Disposal and current site-plan checks regarding stormwater run-off issues with Major's parking lot expansion. Mr. Lee asked Mr. Chapman for a follow-up regarding the lids to the garbage toters. Mr. Chapman stated he had spoke with Major, and there is a possibility of an alternate lid for the toter, and that they would look into it further for us.
- **Fiscal Officer's report** – Absent due to illness.
- **Police Chief's report** – Chief McIntosh announced that the newest addition to the fleet – last year's Dodge Durango - has finally been outfitted with all of its equipment and is now out on the road (since late-December). He also explained that one of the other police cruisers was involved in a motor vehicle accident when it was struck by an oncoming car that lost control in inclement weather on Middle Ridge Road. Our officer and the other driver only suffered minor injuries, however, the damage to the 2019 police cruiser was significant, and he is waiting for a repair estimate from the insurance adjuster at this time. Chief McIntosh also announced that our most recent hire, Patrolman Korabek, is almost complete with his field-training and should be done by the second week of February. Mayor Britton clarified that the accident was not our officer's fault, and was caused by the other vehicle that lost control.
- **Administrator's report** - Mr. Chapman stated that he and Ms. Crockett are working on the General Liability Insurance renewal through PEP. That renewal will be coming before council soon, with a renewal date of 4/1/2026. Mr. Chapman also expressed gratitude and appreciation for the Madison Village Road Department for their excellent job during the recent snow events. They are all doing a great job. Mr. Chapman wanted to provide an update regarding the Major Waste Disposal location: they have an inspection tomorrow with the Madison Fire District, and hopefully they will be able to get moved and officially relocated by next Monday, January 19th. Mr. Vest asked Mr. Chapman for a follow-up regarding the street light program. Mr. Chapman stated that he has a meeting scheduled with Wendy Zeely from FirstEnergy on January 20th.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire Board: Mr. Adams provided an update that the Madison Fire Board held their annual re-org meeting on January 7th, and he will be serving as the Chairman, while Mr. Sill from the Township will be serving as Vice-Chair.

FINAL HEARING OF PERSONS BEFORE COUNCIL: Mr. Walt Richardson from 700 E. Main St. asked for clarification on Meyer's RV re-zoning. Mr. Chapman explained that Meyer's is asking for a zoning reclassification from R2 (residential) to B4 (freeway business). Mr. Richardson asked if there were intentions of tying it to Bates Road. Mr. Chapman and Mr. Britton confirmed that there are no intentions of tying that property over to Bates, Huntington, or Hyder. Mr. Chapman explained that there were previous public hearings scheduled through P&Z for Meyer RV to come in and officially request this change, but they are currently getting paperwork in order, and no public hearing has been rescheduled at this time. Mr. Richardson expressed concern over the fact that Lake County Auditor's website has different land-use codes than what the Village has for certain properties. Mr. Chapman stated that unfortunately, there are instances where those classifications do not match and can sometimes be different. Mr. Richardson stated that you shouldn't be building accessory buildings/barns prior to building a house, yet there is a property right next to this particular parcel that has done so. Mr. Vest stated that Mr. Chapman would have to take a look into it.

NEW BUSINESS

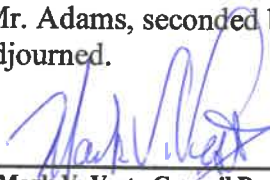
Mayor's Report: - Mayor Britton stated that 2025 was a good year, and that he hopes 2026 will be also. There are some ideas coming up, and council will be hearing about them soon.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:26PM was made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Ms. Drown. Roll call on adjournment, 5 yeas. Meeting adjourned.



Sam Britton Jr., Mayor



Mark V. Vest, Council President

2-9-26
DATE

Attested:



Kristie M. Crockett, Fiscal Officer

February 9, 2026
DATE