

North Lewisburg Village Council Regular Meeting

January 13, 2026

The Village of North Lewisburg Council met on January 12, 2026 at 6:30PM in the Village Community Room.

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order.

Mayor Murphy called forward Matt Warner, Amanda Warner and Tyler Burden to be sworn in as elected council members with term beginning January 1, 2026.

Roll call was answered by Mrs. Huffman, Mr. Nobbs, Mr. Burden, Mrs. Warner and Mr. Warner. All present Joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Warner moved to accept the December 9, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, Mrs. Huffman Seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Nobbs moved to accept the December 2025 Financials, Mr. Warner seconded, all in favor.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer Davis presented Then and Now Purchase Orders for EJ Prescott \$1441.68, Belville Construction Services LLC \$4416.34, McGuire Farm and Excavating LLC \$3784.83, DLZ \$30,259.60, AES Ohio \$4536.81, Berry Digital \$4500.00 Ohio Public Works Commission \$25,567.92, and Cintas \$247.95.

Mr. Warner moved to approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders, Mrs. Warner, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes.

MAYOR:

Mayor Murphy asked for nominations for Council President. Mr. Nobbs nominated Mr. Warner. There were no other nominations. Mr. Warner accepted. Mrs. Warner moved to elect Mr. Warner as President of Council, Mr. Nobbs, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, abstain. Motion passed.

Mayor Murphy asked to enter Executive Session to consider appointment, employment of a public employee or official. Mrs. Warner moved to enter Executive Session, Mr. Warner, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes.

Council entered Executive Session at 6:40pm. Council out of Executive Session at 6:54pm.

Mr. Warner moved to appoint Heather Wirtz to Council to fill the vacant seat, Mrs. Huffman, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes.

Mayor Murphy called Heather Wirtz forward and she was sworn in as newly appointed council member to fill the vacant seat. Her term begins January 13, 2026.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator Freyhof asked council for nominations to fill committee vacancies. Heather Wirtz was nominated to serve on the Finance/Audit Committee. Heather Accepted. Mrs. Huffman moved to Appoint Council Member Wirtz to the Finance/Audit Committee, Mrs. Warner, seconded Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes.

Community Member Rick Huffman was nominated to serve on the Building, Grounds & Infrastructure Committee. Mr. Huffman accepted. Mrs. Huffman moved to appoint Rick Huffman to the Building, Grounds & Infrastructure Committee, Mr. Warner, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes.

Mr. Nobbs nominated Trevor Clark, Community member to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trevor Clark accepted. Mr. Warner moved to appoint Trevor Clark to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Mr. Nobbs, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes.

Trevor Clark was also nominated to serve on the Streets Committee. Mr. Clark accepted. Mr. Nobbs moved to appoint Trevor Clark to the Streets Committee, Mr. Burden, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes.

Administrator Freyhof asked for motion to approve remaining committees. Mrs. Huffman moved to approve remaining committees, Mr. Nobbs, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

Administrator Freyhof updated council on the IRS Penalties & Interest. The Village has opened a file and communicated with a dedicated IRS ombudsman from Senator Moreno's office. Thanks to Council Member Huffman for the suggestion.

The Bicentennial Planning Committee will meet on February 7, 2026 at 9:30am in the community room.

Administrator Freyhof updated Council on the quotes for Cyber Security.

1. Cyber Web \$2340.00/month
2. Net X IT Solutions \$1387.00/month + \$1050.00 onboarding or \$379.71/month + \$1050.00 onboarding IT Services billed per hour
3. Acrisure \$824.17 per month + \$1536.00 onboarding fee. This group had the best presentation and possible the best product.

I have one additional quote pending. I might also be able to create a policy only and not hire contracted labor. This might be the most cost effective, but also least secure option. The deadline to have a policy in place is June 30, 2026

Administrator Freyhof reported that he has shared with CableVision Light Path Council's decision not to permit the buried cable in our right-of-way and our preference of going along the bike path. He is waiting on a reply.

STAFF REPORTS:

Police:

Chief Bodey presented the Monthly Police Report. There were 10 Traffic Warnings.

Water & Sewer:

WWTP- Membrane 2 is up and running and performing well.

Water Plant- The valves in the water plant have been replaced. Replacing the valves went well except for the water main break on East Maple. The Tower is now filling about every 18 hours. It was previously filling about every 70 hours. This should lead to better water quality.

We are still looking at SCADA quotes for the communication between the computer and the phone for monitoring the water plant and tower levels. The H2Ohio Grant may provide some assistance with this.

RCAP Water Rate Study will be presented at a public meeting in April.

Administrator Freyhof brought in a piece of the broken water line from our most recent break for council and the public to see.

Streets:

Administrator Freyhof reported the Village has been awarded funding from OPWC to repave Gregory St. There will be a local match with this funding.

Republic Services has asked the Village if they can change the trash pickup to Mondays. This would begin with the first week in February. Mrs. Warner moved to allow Republic Services to change trash pickup for Village residents to Mondays, Mr. Nobbs, Seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

Resolution 1-13-2026 H2Ohio Grant Revenue and Permanent Appropriations was read. Mr. Nobbs move to approve Resolution 1-13-2026 H2Ohio Grant Revenue and Permanent Appropriations, Mr. Warner, seconded. Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

Resolution 1-13-2026(A) Water Design Loan Permanent Appropriations and Revenue was read. Mr. Warner moved to approve Resolution 1-13-2026(A) Water Design Loan Permanent Appropriations and Revenue, Mr. Nobbs, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

One citizen remarked that there may be funding available to have the underground tanks at the Clayton Tire building.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mrs. Huffman moved to enter Executive Session for conference with attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action, Mrs. Warner, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

Council entered Executive Session at 7:36PM.

Council out of Executive Session at 8:08PM. Mrs. Warner moved authorize counsel for the Village of North Lewisburg to respond to pending settlement offer per parameters discussed in executive session; Mr. Nobbs seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

Mrs. Huffman moved to enter Executive Session to consider compensation of a public employee, Mrs. Wirtz, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

Council entered Executive session at 8:10pm

Council out of executive session at 8:25pm. Mrs. Warner moved to approve making 40 hours of Vacation time available now for Officer Huff to use and reduce the accrual rate for the remaining hours, Mrs. Wirtz, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

Mr. Nobbs moved to enter Executive Session to consider employment of a public employee or official, Mrs. Huffman, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

Council entered Executive Session at 8:35pm. Council out of executive session at 8:37pm. No action was taken.


Other Business:

Administrator Freyhof asked for a motion to repeal the appointment of Rick Huffman to the Building, Grounds & Infrastructure Committee due to family conflict of interest with council member Huffman.

Mrs. Warner moved to repeal the previous motion appointing Rick Huffman to the Building, Grounds & Infrastructure Committee, Mr. Nobbs, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, abstain; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

Mrs. Warner moved to appoint Rick Huffman to the Building, Grounds & Infrastructure Committee, Mr. Nobbs, seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, abstain; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.

With no further business, Mr. Warner moved to adjourn, Mr. Warner seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mr. Burden, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; Mr. Warner, yes; Mrs. Wirtz, yes.



Clerk

2/10/2026
Date



Council President

02/10/2026
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Mayor

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