Regular Session of Village Council

November 18, 2025; 6:00 pm

Call to Order
The Regular Session of Council was called to order by Mayor Mitchell Fisher. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call
Roll Call was completed by Solicitor, John Kaspar. The following members were present.

York Bryant	Rebecca Isaacs-Niemesh
Jim Frederick	George Schraffenberger
Mike McKeehan	Ben Steiner

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
Council reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion to adopt the October 21st Regular Session made by Frederick; second by Steiner. All yea.

Reports / Legislation from Village Officials
Monthly Village Fiscal Revenue Status by Fund Summary, Bank Reconciliation and Disbursements, Mayor's Court Report and Bank Reconciliation were provided for Council.

Police Vehicles
The Mayor informed council that the Deerfield Township Trustees and Warren County Sheriff's Department donated a 2012 Ford Explorer to the Village of Morrow Police Department. The Department paid $1 for this vehicle. The Explorer has 105,000 miles on it and is in great shape. Therefore, the Ford Taurus is now obsolete and ready to sell. The Mayor asked council to approve selling the Ford Taurus and then donating what is made from the sale back to the Warren County Sheriff's Department, possibly to the drug task force. Resolution #23-25 was presented by Solicitor Kaspar to authorize the sale of the Ford Taurus. Motion to suspend the rules made by Steiner; second by Schraffenberger. All yea. Motion to adopt made by McKeehan; second by Isaacs-Niemesh. All yea.

Christmas on Main
Mayor and Administrator both gave updates about the upcoming Christmas on Main event on November 29th. The Administrator was excited to announce there will be fireworks at the end of the event this year. Maps for the parade route, parking and event placements will be released soon.

Third Reading – Woodlands Phases 1, 2, 3, and 4A Acceptance
Motion was made by Frederick for the third reading of the Woodlands of Morrow Phases 1,2,3, and 4A accepted; second by Schraffenberger. All yea. Motion to adopt made by Frederick; second by Schraffenberger. All yea.

Village Officials
The Mayor had a few updates for council:

1. Blackhawk Road – Duke is clearing trees and moving power poles.
2. The Village has cleaned up and cleared out the culverts along Blackhawk Road.
3. Grants – Booster Station – Construction should start next week. Frederick asked if SCADA will be operational and work properly.
   Welch Road – recent onsite visit. Project will take place in Spring of 2026.
4. Mayor and council received two emails. Mayor has responded to these emails and is taking care of the situations.
5. Congratulation to the winners of the elections. Looking forward to working with the new council members.

Administrator Whitacre updated council on 2 items:

1. The Railroad Bridge – 90% of conduit has been placed, 4 lights are yet to be received, no control panel yet, possibly lighting at Christmas on Main if work is completed.
2. Cybersecurity Program – The MOU has been signed, have attended the kickoff meeting and there will be annual training for everyone.

Councilmember McKeehan asked about the cost of the newly refurbished part of the retaining wall on Welch Road. This job was seen as an emergency due to the Police Chief seeing it as a danger and possibly falling in during springtime rains. The job received three bids and cost approximately $38,000. Funds were used from Street and General.

Councilmember Frederick asked if the Village has enough road salt for the upcoming winter season. The Mayor informed that the bin is full and we are on the list to refill as needed.

Fiscal Officer Powell requested a thumbs up from council for a leak adjustment at 4953 Mary Louise in the amount of $698.40. Customer meets all requirements. Council gave the thumbs up for this adjustment. Powell also announced their will be a Special Council Meeting immediately following the Regular Session in December to adopt the Annual Appropriations for 2026.

Open to the Floor
The Mayor opened the floor for comments and there were none.

The Mayor closed the floor.

Adjournment
Motion to adjourn by Steiner; second by Schraffenberger. All yea.

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Tina Powell, Clerk of Council Mitchell Fisher, Mayor