

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF EAST SPARTA, COUNTY OF STARK AND STATE OF OHIO HELD IN THE COMMUNITY BUILDING ON September 17th 2024.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. Mayor Stropki led Council and visitors in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Don Stropki, Charlene Stelluto, Nancy Black, Joel Russell, Jenna Hessedence, Scott Muir, Dan Fетters and Clerk Doug Neading. Visitors, Mike Mangeris, Jeff Vuckovich, Robert Cyperski, Lisa Stropki, Derik Cordia, Linda Muir and Rob Quicci.

Sheriff's report: reviewed reports, Dept. Kohler reported speeding and stop sign violations have been increasing.

Fire & EMS reviewed reports: Current dispatch center is closing, working with N. Canton City as possible option.

BPA report: reviewed reports:

Derik Cordia asked about status of tree trimming on alley behind Oak. Jeff has it on the schedule to complete ASAP.

Rob Quicci expressed concerns over cat fesses and stray cats near Walnut and Garfield. Charlene will reach out to a contact to find out more about a catch and release program as an option.

Linda advised she needed a plumber for some minor repairs to civic restrooms and asked that a damaged table be disposed of on cleanup day.

Motion to approve August 6 2024 regular, budget, and public records minutes by Hessedence. Seconded by Black. Roll call 6 yes, 0 no. Motion Carried.

Motion to approve financial reports as presented by Stelluto. Seconded by Hessedence Roll call 6 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

Motion to suspend/pass/emergency O-03-24.09 Fence setback by Russell. Seconded by Hessedence. Roll call 6 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

Motion to suspend/pass/emergency R-19-24-09 2025 Fund transfer by Fетters. Seconded by Stelluto. Roll call 6 yes, 0 no. Motion carried

Motion to approve purchase of playground equipment from Perry Local Schools at auction on 8/16/24 for \$13,303.12 as recommended by

playground committee, by Stelluto. Seconded by Russell. Roll call 6 yes, 0 no. Motion carried

Motion to suspend/pass/emergency R-16-24-06 2025 Corrected ballot language for Board of Elections by Russell. Seconded by Hessedence. Roll call 6 yes, 0 no. Motion carried

Playground fund balance \$6,819.14. Pike Historical Society will be donating \$1000.00 to playground fund.

Cyperski- Asked that fence ordinance be posted online ASAP.

Zoning update: Reviewed report, will ask Franks Brothers to remove sign from road right of way.

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss employment/wages by Stelluto. Seconded by Black roll call 6 yes, 0 no. Motion carried. 7:24p

Motion to exit executive session by Hessedence. Seconded by Fетters. Roll call 6 yes, 0 no. Motion carried. 7:35p

Asked clerk to prepare 2025 pay rate ordinance for next meeting.

Discussed upcoming levies on November ballot.  
Reviewed property fee schedule that Russell provide to incorporate in new property maintenance ordinance

Motion to adjourn by Fетters. Seconded by Stelluto. Roll call 6 yes, 0 no.

Meeting adjourned 8:00pm.

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Mayor, Donald Stropki

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Clerk-Treasurer, Doug Neading