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MAGNOLIA VILLAGE COUNCIL
December 17, 2025 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Meeting of Magnolia Village Council was called to order at the Village Hall on Dec 17, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Travis Boyd. Council members present were Jim Miller, Grant Downes, Eric White, Claudia Rogers and Kurt Stanley. Jim Miller motioned to excuse Council member Scott Noble with Kurt Stanley seconding. All Ayes. Also present were Solicitor Kevin L'Hommedeu, Shawn Darr, Chief Chad Schlimm and Penny Rainsberger.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS: n/a

MINUTES: Claudia Rogers made a motion to accept the regular Nov. 19, 2025 minutes as presented, which was seconded by Kurt Stanley. All Ayes.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORTS: Jim Miller made a motion to accept the Fiscal Officer's report as presented, which was seconded by Eric White. All Ayes.

ACTION ON BILLS: Eric White made a motion to pay the bills as presented, which was seconded by Claudia Rogers. All Ayes.

VILLAGE WORK REPORT: Shawn Darr reported he has been plowing and salting during the snows we've had. He has also cleaned out the spreader as it has been clogging. He also replaced a headlight and a tail light on the Village truck.

ADDITIONS TO BURSINESS: n/a

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mayor Boyd reports the sidewalk project is finishing up with a final walkthrough with ODOT and Stanley Miller Construction to be happening tomorrow. There may be a bit of a concern near the Elson section, which actually wasn't a part of the project, but it joins up against a section that was. Mayor Boyd states the US Corp of Engineers levy project is going well and is 80-90% completed. A great deal of the heavy equipment has started being moved out. Seeding the area will happen in the spring.

NEW BUSINESS: n/a

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PARKS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS: Eric White stated there is nothing to report regarding the park due to the season. Eric was contacted by one of the vendors that often works the Canal Days Festival. He was asking about some possible upgrades to the electrical system at the Park. The idea would be to upgrade to some heavier circuit breakers that would trip less with equipment usage. This will be looked at with the vendor offering to assist in payment of any upgrades.

SAFETY:

Grant Downes reports the police dept. hours are attached.

Grant has been given Mr. Donnie Nicholson a Disaster Services Director job description. They will review this description after the holidays to make sure it is correct.

Grant has placed a flyer with a QR code on it in the post office and The Nest. This code, when scanned, will advise residents on how to get Village information.

Chief Schlimm requested to attend the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference again in Columbus. Cost for the conference is \$875 plus the annual membership of \$245 totals \$1,120. Cost includes room and board for 2 nights stay, and all meals. Also included are classes and workshops that count towards

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his yearly required Continuing Professional Training (CPT) requirement (wage funds reimbursed by the state). Dates for this is May 3,4, and 5th . This cost includes an "early bird" discount. {Res. 2025-26] Kurt Stanley motioned to permit Chief Schlimm to attend the conference with Claudia Rogers seconding. All Ayes. Chief has taken CAR2 went to Ruegg's Automotive for service on the battery. Work was completed and car has been returned to service.

Chief explained each officer must complete 23 Continuing Professional Training (CPT) grant hours and are state required. Once training is completed and documented, the state refunds the officer's wages for the training completed. CPT training must be completed by Dec 31, 2025. Lt Alexander has completed his required CPT training for the year. Capt. Six is halfway done and will be completed by the deadline of Dec 31, 2025.

Chief Schlimm noted the Light up Magnolia appeared to be successful again this year. There were no issues on the police department's end.

After a resident's complaint, Chief successfully rectified 2 junk vehicle ordinance violations on Plum St.

End of year stats for 2025 will be presented at the January 2026 council meeting.

Fire Chief White presented the 2026 yearly service contract with the Magnolia Volunteer Fire Dept. for Mayor Boyd to sign.

CEMETERY: The cemetery reported income of \$900.00 for the month of Nov. 2025.

UTILITIES: Kurt Stanley noted that he reported 4 streets lights being out. Kurt also received PUCO letters stating the rates are changing and this will cause an increase in gas prices.

FINANCE: Jim Miller picked up the new chairs for the Meeting Room. These replace the extremely worn-out chairs previously there. Those were purchased from the Beauty Fund. Jim has reached out to Perrin Asphalt since we have not yet received the paving bill. Jim reports that he feels we will be able to make a larger than expected sidewalk loan payment. Jim noted that Stanley Miller has finished the concrete work on the Vince Costello pedestal. He also stated that the statue is supposed to be almost completed. Ms. Bonnie Walker also stated one of the lights at the front of Village Hall is not working and they are not being aimed correctly on the big wreaths. Jim will take care of this.

STREETS AND ALLEYS: n/a

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: n/a

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES: Mayor Boyd received a letter from the Magnolia Historical Society. They are requesting use of the current file room for displays and meetings. This will need to be looked at since all of the Village records are currently stored in that room and access must be considered.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Boyd stated Marathon held a public meeting Dec 8th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fire Station. This was to help raise public awareness regarding emergency situations and preparedness. Claudia Rogers also thought this presentation was well done.

The State of Ohio is requiring all political subdivisions to accept the Ohio Rev Code 9.64, which was enacted thru House Bill 96, to set up and enact a cybersecurity plan. [Res 2025-24] Grant Downes made a motion to accept this cybersecurity requirement with Claudia Rogers seconding. All Ayes.

Mayor Boyd reminded Council that next month will also include the yearly Reorganization Meeting.

The yearly contract for representation from the Canton Law Dept for 2026 has arrived. Cost continues to be \$5000.00 for the year. {Res 2025-26] Kurt Stanley made a motion to have the Mayor accept and sign for the Village with Claudia Rogers seconding. All Ayes.

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Mayor Boyd also reported that W. E. Quicksall will be joining Spicer Group of Michigan. W. E. Quicksall will still be local and available.

Mayor Boyd reported that the Village has been approved for grant funds to repair canal erosion. This is for the section on the N side of the bridge. Approximate cost is \$75,000.00-80,000.00. Our portion would be approximately \$5000.00.

Mayor Boyd reports the Methodist Church is planning on placing a Blessing Box at the Fire Dept.

A possible Village codification alternative may be available. This option would be approximately \$3000.00 – \$6000.00 with a \$2500.00 yearly fee vs the approximately \$18,000.00 set up fee with American Legal Publishing. This project continues to be looked at.

ADJOURN: Grant Downes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. with Eric White seconding. All Ayes.

Travis Boyd, Mayor



Penny Rainsberger, Fiscal Officer

