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MAGNOLIA VILLAGE COUNCIL
January 21, 2026 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Meeting of Magnolia Village Council was called to order at the Village Hall on Jan. 21, 2026 at 7:10 p.m. by Mayor Travis Boyd. Council members present were Jim Miller, Grant Downes, Eric White, Scott Noble and Kurt Stanley. Jim Miller motioned to excuse Claudia Rogers for the remainder of the meeting , after being sworn in, as she had health issues, with Eric White seconding. All Ayes. Also present were Solicitor Kevin L'Hommedeu, Shawn Darr, Chief Chad Schlimm and Penny Rainsberger.

Grant Downes motioned to appoint Jim Miller to Council, term starting 1-1-26 with Scott Noble seconding. All Ayes. Jim Miller motioned to appoint Eric White to Council, term starting 1-1-26 with Grant Downes seconding. All Ayes. Scot Noble motioned to appoint Kurt Stanley to Council, term starting 1-1-26 with Eric White seconding. All Ayes. Jim Miller motioned to appoint Charles Neil Stratton to the Board of Public Affairs, term starting 1-1-2026 with Eric White seconding. All Ayes. Mayor Boyd swore in the following Council/Board members for the term starting 1-1-2026- Claudia Rogers, Eric White, Jim Miller, Kurt Stanley and Charles Neill Stratton.

1VISITOR'S COMMENTS: n/a

MINUTES: Kurt Stanley made a motion to accept the regular Dec. 17, 2025 minutes as presented, which was seconded by Jim Miller. All Ayes.

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

ACTION ON BILLS: Jim Miller made a motion to pay the bills as presented, which was seconded by Grant Downes. All Ayes.

VILLAGE WORK REPORT: Shawn Darr reported he has been plowing and salting during the snows we've had. He has also been repairing any grass damage the plow may have caused. The Village Hall furnace has been repaired. It had a bad ignitor replaced by Hohler Heating and Cooling in Malvern. Shawn has replaced the spinner on the salt spreader. He was able to purchase a motor at Cross Trucks for almost ½ the price of other vendors. Village Christmas tree disposal has also been completed. Only 6 trees were disposed of this year. Shawn will also be turning off the Christmas lights as soon as possible.

ADDITIONS TO BURSINESS: n/a

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Boyd reports Mr. Matt Bailey will be working on reviewing and updating our Zoning Guideline Book. Once updated this will be designed to be added to the Village website. It will be searchable so residents can see the types of restrictions/limitations the Village enforces. There will also be permit forms available as well. Mayor Boyd will reach out to Mr. Sean Smith at the Carroll County Foundation for an application for possible grant money to help with the estimated \$5,000.00 charge.

NEW BUSINESS: n/a

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PARKS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS: Eric White mentioned the possible upgrade of electric service for a section of the Park. The idea would be to upgrade to some heavier circuit breakers that would trip less with equipment

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usage. This request is from a continuing participating vendor willing to assist paying for the changes. Eric will reach out to Spencer Electric for options for 240 volt higher amperage service receptacles. Eric also stated the Blessing Box that the Methodist Church is setting up may be placed down by the Village garage instead of by the Fire Dept. Eric will measure the concrete slab by the garage to see if it will fit there. If not, there is another place in the Park that may work. The Clevenger's will be moving out of town and have offered to donate a Christmas wreath that is the same size the Village currently use on the Hall. Council feels this is very nice and happily accepts. We will pick that up as soon as it is available.

SAFETY:

Grant Downes reports the police dept. hours are attached.

Grant has given Mr. Donnie Nicholson a Disaster Services Director job description. They met and are reviewing this description to make any adjustments needed.

Grant continues to speak with the North County Trail organization. They have not heard back from Smith's Nursery regarding crossing their property. The Nursery may have some liability concerns. Stark Parks hopes to have something from Canal St to Waynesburg in place in the spring.

Chief Sclimm made a felony arrest of an adult female at the Bank of Magnolia for identity fraud. An adult female entered the bank with fraudulent identification and attempted to access an account without the account holder's permission. Case is pending in Carroll County Municipal Court.

Lt. Alexander responded to a request for mutual aid in the Village of Waynesburg by Waynesburg PD & Stark County Sheriff's Office. An adult female was attempting suicide by filling her apartment with natural gas. Lt. Alexander was the first law enforcement officer on scene, noticed the gas smell immediately, breached the locked door, and secured the occupants/scene for fire & medical personnel to assess the subject. The adult subject was referred to Stark County Crisis for evaluation.

Chief Sclimm contacted the ODOT asking why several trucking companies have been routed through the village. Their response said the software, application, or networking system on their computer has routed them through the Village because a bridge on St Rt 30 in Canton does not meet the specifications needed to allow the trucks to pass over it in relation to the permits listed weight allowance. Therefore, the "system" has routed them down St Rt 800 and across St Rt 183. Chief asked if this could be reconsidered citing trucks causing damage to a front yard at N Main & Harrison and the fact that the route has very short turning radius considering how long/heavy the trucks are. The gentleman Chief spoke with advised he would ask his supervisors to consider a different route. A couple days later he called back to advise the supervisors denied the request. Also stated that if the trucks were causing damage, they could be cited for traveling off the roadway and residents or the village owning the damaged property could file claims to repair with the specific trucking company causing the damage as long as the resident had pictures, video footage, or something showing undisputable evidence of a specific truck casing damage. After this conversation, Chief and his officers do sit at the corner of N Main & Harrison ensuring the trucks make the turn without causing damage. Since Chief made the call, the trucks have been doing a better job making the turn as evidenced by lack of new tracks in fresh snow etc.

Chief Schlimm received the contract for 2026 dispatching services from Stark County Sheriff's Office. The cost for services went up approximately \$200 from around \$480 per month to \$690 per month. Chief will also reach out to them to see if a better rate can be had. [Res. 2026-3] Jim Miller motioned to sign the dispatching contract with Scott Noble seconding. All Ayes.

Fire Chief Eric White reports the Fire Dept will be holding a spring fundraiser April 18th, 2026 at the Eagles Hall in Sandyville. Chief White also stated that there has been no word on their grant application.

CEMETERY: The cemetery reported income of \$350.00 for the month of December 2025.

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UTILITIES: Kurt Stanley noted Mayor Boyd and he did the sidewalk project walk-through as required. Per ODOT there are a few areas that have some issues, such as some of the ADA accesses, aprons, and seals. Stanley Miller Construction will be back to make the corrections.

FINANCE: Jim Miller stated that there is a small list of Funds that we will be closing. These are funds that are not in use, have been replaced, are duplicates, or are no longer applicable. These funds are already at \$0.00 balances so there are no additional closure steps needed. The list has also been sent to Mr. Jon Oates at the Stark County Auditor's office. [Res. 2026-2] Kurt Stanley motioned to approve the closure of the funds with Eric White seconded. All Ayes. Jim also reported the temporary appropriations were like last year's amounts. [Re 2026-3] Scott Noble motioned to approve the temporary appropriations with Jim Miller seconded. All Ayes. Jim also reported that additional money had been paid on the sidewalk project loan. Jim also approached the pay rate for our Zoning director, Deb Faiello. The current pay structure was simply a 10 % of any permits issued. This is usually cents per permit. Due to the disparity in the amount of work required vs wage earned, it has been decided the position should pay \$50.00 + a percentage from the permits monthly. Res 2026-4] Grant Downes motioned to suspend the rules and pass as an emergency with Scott Noble seconding. All Ayes. [Res. 2026-5] Jim Miller motioned to increase the pay rate of Deb Faiello effective this month with Grant Downes seconding. All Ayes.

STREETS AND ALLEYS: Scott Noble will begin inspecting the streets in March/April to make a list for paving. He will also be checking to see how the chip/seal section held up thru the winter. If it held up well, then that may be a feasible option for other streets. Sections that may be on the list include Elson, Plum, Levy Circle and a section near the Lutheran Church. Scott states the oil/gas work in the area continues. Scott also notes that EOG is putting an office in the old Colfor building near Malvern.

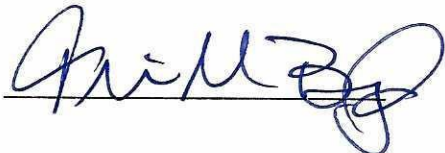
SOLICITOR'S REPORT: n/a

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES: n/a

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Boyd received the yearly contract from the Public Defender's Office. [Res. 2026-6] Grant Downes motioned to allow the Mayor to sign the contract with Scott Noble seconding. All Ayes. Mayor Boyd has been working with Muskingham Watershed regarding repairing the canal section near the Park. Muskingham Watershed has approved grant funds to pay for repairs on the canal. The grant is approved for \$137,000.00 and the Village will be responsible for approximately \$5,000.00. [Res 2026-7] Jim Miller motioned to allow the Mayor to sign the contract with MWCD with Kurt Stanley seconding. All Ayes. Mayor Boyd stated that we may possibly need to change the July Council meeting as his daughter will be getting married.

ADJOURN: Jim Miller made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. with Scott Noble seconding. All Ayes.

Travis Boyd, Mayor



Penny Rainsberger, Fiscal Officer

