

August 10, 2026

Mayor Robert Dickson called the meeting to order on Monday, August 10, 2026 with all members present except Barr.

Moved by Shegog, seconded by S. Taylor, that council dispense with the reading of the July 13, 2026 minutes and approve as distributed. Motion carried.

Visitors: Audge Crawford, Kevin McKinnon

Audge Crawford addressed council to request that Reservoir Road be maintained, displaying pictures to show the issues. Kevin McKinnon addressed council to thank the Village for helping with his water line and also for paving Lakeside Drive.

REPORTS

Police Chief: Police Chief David Briggs gave the July monthly report.

- 1) Reported that there were 25 traffic citations.
- 2) Reported that there were 2 misdemeanor charges and 2 juvenile misdemeanor arrests.
- 3) Reported that there were a total of 357 calls.

Fire Chief: Fire Chief Shane Barkley gave the July monthly report.

- 1) Reported that there were 67 total EMS calls for the month.
- 2) Reported that there were 36 fire runs.
- 3) Reported that there was coverage for 68% of shifts.
- 4) Reported that the department received an Ohio EMS Training and Equipment Grant for \$1200.
- 5) Reported that the department received certification of an Ohio EMS approved CE Training site.

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer Debbra Whitehair gave the July financial report.

- 1) Reported that the available primary checking balance is \$2,647,875.86.
- 2) Reported that she worked with Chris Kerby on the 2026 alternative budget and also met with department heads to discuss the 2027 budget.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator Dalton Flinn gave the July report.

1) Administration report

- Submitted FEMA application for zoning code funding
- Started ATP meetings/ project July 30th
- Met with the new president of Muskingum University
- Took a water/wastewater contact hour course
- DRB meeting 27th Finance 8th Safety 6th
- Ribbon cutting for new business 10th
- Thank you to Friends of New Concord, NewPointe Church for their efforts on Community Impact Day July 26th

2) Operations Department

- Routine business: flowers, mowing, weed eating, locates, TC samples, 3 traffic bulbs
- Replaced storm water culvert at 52 Paden Dr
- Mtg about 2027 budget. Worked on and got some budgetary quotes on needed equipment.
- Finished flushing fire hydrants
- Read water meters and replaced multiple radio read MXU's for updated program coming next year
- Parnell completed paving
- Went over preliminary plans for lead & galvanized service line replacements. And made corrections.
- Special thanks to Scott Zemba and the football players who weed eat the north hill along W Main across from WTP

3) Water Department

- Continuing to work on lead line removal project
- Kenny, Alex, and Landan organized the water plant garage
- Hooked up to a new aquahawk line due to a clog and leak in the main aquahawk rapid mix line

4) Wastewater Department

- Had Hazen services come in and Jeff, Kenny, Alex, and Landan assisted in using hydrovac to clean out the sludge buildup from the east oxidation ditch
- Received 300 50lb bags of filter sand to redo the wastewater sand filter. Jeff and Landan organized and stacked sand bags in preparation for the project

5) Zoning permits

- One new business construction (with certificate of appropriateness)
- One sign (with certificate of appropriateness)
- One fence, roof/siding

6) Code Enforcement Report

- Three new trimming cases (two have been resolved)
- One unresolved sign permit issue
- One new junk vehicle case (resolved)

Fink asked if anyone had addressed the issue of semi trucks driving through the Village? Flinn and Briggs stated that there are only a few things that could legally be restricted which can be discussed.

The salt contract has been changed by the state and that the Village must pick up the salt, unlike in previous years. Council discussed the necessity of using sand if needed.

Council discussed the hanging baskets in the Village. Flinn stated that there was some concern expressed about the hanging baskets and the paving that will be done on Main Street next year but stated that the hanging baskets will continue to be placed along Main Street.

Daryl Wolnik gave a presentation about the Comprehensive Community Plan.

Mayor: Mayor Robert Dickson gave the July report.

- 1) Reported that Eric Gregg has rejoined the police department.
- 2) Reported that he will be speaking at the new student orientation at Muskingum University and attending the inauguration of the new president.
- 3) Reported that the University is attempting to deregulate the dam and he and Dalton have been attending meetings to discuss any liability that the Village might have.
- 4) Reported that the Fire Department conducted a fire extinguisher training at the Wilds.
- 5) Reported that there will be a new development of high end apartments behind the Dollar General.

Policy Committee: Committee chair Levi Shegog reported that the committee met on August 4, 2026.

- 1) Committee recommended passage of Resolution 2026-8-1, which is the first reading of the comprehensive community plan.
- 2) Committee discussed if any further legislation is needed concerning marijuana. Committee does not feel that is needed at this time, as the existing zoning code addresses the concerns.
- 3) Committee heard from the police chief about police department policy updates.
- 4) Committee heard a status report on Village personnel.

Safety Committee: Committee chair Jim Whitehair reported that the committee met on August 3, 2026.

- 1) Committee heard from both the fire chief and the police chief concerning 2027 budget requests.
- 2) Committee heard from the fire chief about the disbanding of the fire association and the intentions of the leftover funds.
- 3) Committee heard from the police chief about the possibility of hiring a new officer.

Finance Committee: Committee chair Yolanda Taylor reported that the committee met on August 5, 2026.

- 1) The committee reviewed financial statements for July.
- 2) Committee recommended approval of Ordinance 2026-8-1, establishing a special revenue fund for the express purpose of depositing and expending funds for the police department.
- 3) Committee recommended approval of Ordinance 2026-7-2, appropriating money from the general fund to the NCAARD fund.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Shegog

Seconded by Y. Taylor

Ordinance 2026-8-1, an ordinance establishing a special revenue fund entitled police fund for the express purpose of depositing and expending funds for the Village Police department and declaring it an emergency

Shegog	yea
Whitehair	yea
Taylor, Y.	yea

Fink	yea
Taylor, S.	yea
Barr	absent

Motion Passes

Moved by Y. Taylor

Seconded by Shegog

That **Ordinance 2026-8-1** be approved as read.

Shegog	yea
Whitehair	yea
Taylor, Y.	yea

Fink	yea
Taylor, S.	yea
Barr	absent

Motion Passes

Moved by Y. Taylor

Seconded by Shegog

Ordinance 2026-8-2, an ordinance to adjust appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of New Concord, State of Ohio during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, (Revised Code Section 5705.38) and declaring an emergency

Shegog	yea
Whitehair	yea
Taylor, Y.	yea

Fink	yea
Taylor, S.	yea
Barr	absent

Motion Passes

Moved by Shegog

Seconded by Y. Taylor

That **Ordinance 2026-8-2** be approved as read.

Shegog	yea
Whitehair	yea
Taylor, Y.	yea

Fink	yea
Taylor, S.	yea
Barr	absent

Motion Passes

Moved by Whitehair

Seconded by Shegog

Resolution 2026-8-1, a resolution adopting the 2026 comprehensive plan for the Village of New Concord, first reading

Shegog	yea
Whitehair	yea
Taylor, Y.	yea

Fink	yea
Taylor, S.	yea
Barr	absent

Motion Passes

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Celebrate New Concord – Tuesday, August 11th – 7pm – Village Park – Northwest Territory
- Dog Days at the New Concord Pool – Saturday, August 22nd – Dogs \$5
- Celebrate New Concord - Tuesday, August 25th – 7pm – Village Park – Tony Hagood Quartet
- Community Day - Saturday, September 5th
- Labor Day – Monday, September 7 – Village Hall Closed

MEETING SCHEDULE:

- Infrastructure Committee Meeting – Monday, August 24th – 5:30pm – Village Hall - Only Held if Items are on the Agenda
- Village Council Meeting – Monday, August 24th – 6:30pm – Village Hall
- Safety Committee Meeting – Tuesday, September 8th – 5:30pm – Village Hall – Only Held if Items are on the Agenda
- Policy Committee Meeting – Tuesday, September 8th – 4pm – Village Hall – Only Held if Items are on the Agenda
- Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, September 9th – 9am – Village Hall
- Village Hall Meeting – Monday, September 14th – 6:30pm – Village Hall

Moved by Shegog, second by Whitehair that council move to executive session at 8:06 PM.

Shegog	yea	Fink	yea
Whitehair	yea	Taylor, S.	yea
Taylor, Y.	yea	Barr	absent

Motion Passes

EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss the discipline of a public employee or official.

ADJOURNMENTS: Motion by S Taylor, second by Shegog to adjourn executive session. Executive session adjourned at 8:45 PM. Motion by Whitehair, second by Shegog to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer