



City of Ashtabula
Ashtabula City Council Regular Meeting
Monday, June 15, 2026 at 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
4230 Lake Avenue, Ashtabula, OH 44004

Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting of the Ashtabula City Council was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President John Roskovics.

Prayer

Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo offered the opening prayer. A moment of silence was observed for APD officers David Clemens and James Henry.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Members Present: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo
Absent: Vice President Russell Simeone, Clerk of Council Stacy Millberg
Officers Present: City Manager James Timonere, City Solicitor Cecilia Cooper, Finance Director Vladimir Kan

President John Roskovics asked for a motion to excuse Vice President Russell Simeone.

Motion: Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo moved to excuse Vice President Russell Simeone; Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman seconded.

Discussion: None

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Sunshine Law Certification

A quorum was established as defined by the Ashtabula City Council Rules of Order. The meeting met the requirements of the Ohio Sunshine Laws Open Meetings Act.

Reading of Legislation

President John Roskovics read the legislation titles to be considered at the meeting.

Motion to Approve the Order of the Agenda

Motion: Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero moved to approve the order of the agenda; Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills seconded.

Discussion: None

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Special Items

Communications

Citizen Comment and Community Announcements

Anthony Oquendo, Ward 1, addressed Council regarding a streetlight reporting tool he developed within his new app CityReport.io. He noted that the app includes a map of every streetlight in the City and generates all information required by the Illuminating Company for an outage reported, including the nearest address, cross street, landmarks, and GPS coordinates, streamlining the reporting process for both residents and City staff.

Mike Ferron, 5106 Woodman Avenue, thanked the City for the recent paving of Woodman Avenue but expressed concern that the new pavement is being damaged by semi-trucks that are disregarding posted "No Through Truck" signage. He noted that Benefit Avenue is the designated truck route and asked the City to consider contacting the businesses along 47th to alert their drivers, and to evaluate improved or better-positioned signage. He also raised a concern about a recurring drainage issue in the same area that appears to be undermining the road surface.

Jennifer German, Ward 4, inquired whether there are plans to address consistent flooding under the train trestle at the south end of Main Avenue, particularly in light of storm flooding the previous day, and asked whether drainage infrastructure improvements could be incorporated into the ongoing Main Avenue beautification efforts. Ms. German also raised concerns about the condition of Larson Lane and Glover Drive, describing the roads as severely deteriorated.

City Manager James Timonere acknowledged that the City has had ongoing conversations with AMHA about that area. He stated that a prior estimate for repair exceeded \$900,000, as the concrete would need to be broken out and replaced with asphalt, equivalent to approximately one and one-third years of the City's paving levy funds. He noted that the City has been actively seeking grant funding, as was done for similar work on Collins Boulevard and Bridge Street. He also addressed Ms. German's concerns about the flooding on Main Avenue, explaining that all storm lines in that area have been televised and found to be structurally intact and clear. He noted that the outlet runs to the river and that the volume of stormwater, not a blockage, is the cause of the flooding. He added that Public Works has placed road closure barricades during flooding events, but that members of the public have moved the barricades and driven into the standing water. The City has explored signaling devices on the walls of the underpass to warn drivers. He reiterated the public safety principle: "Turn around, don't drown."

Councilor Comments, Liaison Reports and Meeting Announcements

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Pre-Council Meeting Minutes, June 1, 2026

Motion: Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio moved to waive the reading of the minutes in their entirety; Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero seconded.

Discussion: None

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved as presented.

Regular Council Meeting Minutes, June 1, 2026

Motion: Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio moved to waive the reading of the minutes in their entirety; Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills seconded.

Discussion: None

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved as presented.

Resolutions

New Business

For Passage

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 107

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA TAX INCENTIVE AGREEMENT WITH TAMARA SELENT, FOR RESIDENTIAL TAX ABATEMENT AT 100% FOR 7 YEARS FOR A NEW RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE AT 1034 OHIO AVE., ASHTABULA, OHIO

Motion: Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio moved to waive the reading of the legislation; Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero seconded.

Discussion: None

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Motion: Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman moved to waive the Charter Requirements of two readings of the legislation; Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio seconded.

Discussion: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Adoption of legislation

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman

Legislation passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 108

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA TAX INCENTIVE AGREEMENT WITH LINDSEY STEPP, FOR RESIDENTIAL TAX ABATEMENT AT 100% FOR 7 YEARS FOR A NEW RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE AT 1802 W. 10TH ST, ASHTABULA, OHIO (PPN #68-404-01-022-04)

Motion: Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio moved to waive the reading of the legislation; Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman seconded.

Discussion: None

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Motion: Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman moved to waive the Charter Requirements of two readings of the legislation; Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio seconded.

Discussion: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman

Motion passed.

Adoption of legislation

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 4

Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo
Nays: Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman
Legislation passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 109

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO CHANGE ORDER #1 WITH LAKE COUNTY LANDSCAPE & SUPPLY, INC., WITH NO CHANGE TO THE COSTS OF THE CONTRACT TO COMPLETE SIDEWALK RESTORATION ON WEST AVENUE

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 110

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PURCHASE A 2009 IHC 7400 GARBAGE TRUCK FOR THE SANITATION DEPARTMENT FROM REFUSE EQUIPMENT AND TRUCK SERVICES, INC.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 111

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AN ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT WITH CONCIERGE NURSE NAVIGATORS, LLC

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 112

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ASHTABULA COUNTY Y.M.C.A. FOR LIFEGUARDS

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 113

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING ADOPTION OF THE CITY OF ASHTABULA UNCLAIMED FUNDS POLICY

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 114

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING FINANCE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF ASHTABULA TO DETERMINE SALARY ALLOCATIONS AMONG VARIOUS CITY FUNDS

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 115

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COUNTY OF ASHTABULA TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY TO APPLY FOR COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION PROGRAM (CHIP) GRANT FUNDS

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 116

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO CHANGE ORDER #1 WITH CATTS CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR A DEDUCTION FOR THE MAIN AVENUE STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 117

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 2026-54 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENACTING REPLACEMENT LEGISLATION

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 118

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM WITH EASTGATE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE MAIN AVENUE FAÇADE PROGRAM/PROJECT WITHIN THE CITY OF ASHTABULA

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 119

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 2026-96 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENACTING REPLACEMENT LEGISLATION

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 120

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN AMENDED CITY OF ASHTABULA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT POLICY

President John Roskovics asked for a motion to dispose of the Regular Business Legislation by consent agenda for Ordinance No. 2026-109 through 2026-120.

Motion: Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio moved to dispose of the Regular Business Legislation by consent agenda; Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills seconded.

Discussion: None

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Motion: Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman moved to waive the reading of the legislation; Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio seconded.

Discussion: None

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Motion: Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio moved to waive the Charter Requirements of two readings of the legislation; Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman seconded.

Discussion: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Adoption of legislation

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Legislation passed.

First Reading(s)

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 97

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING, IN ITS ENTIRETY, CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 759.08 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A COMPLETED FBI (NATIONAL) AND BCI (OHIO) BACKGROUND CHECK

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 98

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 759.08

President John Roskovics asked for a motion to dispose of the Regular Business Legislation by consent agenda for Ordinance No. 2026-97 and 2026-98.

Motion: Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio moved to dispose of the Regular Business Legislation by consent agenda; President John Roskovics seconded.

Discussion: None

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Motion: Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman moved to waive the reading of the legislation; Ward 4 Councilor Jodi

Mills seconded.
Discussion: None
VOICE VOTE

Yeas: President John Roskovics, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero, Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman, Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills, Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo

Nays: None
Motion passed.

Continuing Business/Public Hearings

Second Reading(s)

Administrative Approval Votes

Tell Us Something We Don't Know

Ward 5 Councilor Jane DiGiacomo announced the second Bands on the Beach event featuring the Madison Jazz Project, scheduled for June 25 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Ward 3 Councilor RoLesia Holman announced the Juneteenth celebration to be held on Friday, June 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, 41 E. Jefferson St., Jefferson, OH. The program will feature a gospel ensemble from People's Missionary Baptist Church, Ohio's 5th USCT Civil War soldiers' reenactment, a Harriet Tubman reenactment, and a performance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech by Rev. Dr. German Womack.

Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills shared several upcoming community events and resources. She highlighted a free community health fair at the Dream Center on Benefit Avenue on Tuesday, June 23 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., featuring numerous health and social service providers. She also announced a countywide electronic waste recycling event on Saturday, June 27 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the First United Church of Christ in Austinburg. Additionally, she noted a technology and resource fair at the Ashtabula mall on Wednesday, June 17 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., hosted by the Ashtabula County Board of Developmental Disabilities. She also announced the library's 2nd Annual Kite Fest on Saturday, June 27, with an open fly from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and a kite-making workshop for ages 7 to 15 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., with every child receiving a free kite or glider. Finally, she concluded with personal acknowledgment of Safety Town, commending the collaborative program, involving the city schools, police, fire, EMS, and dog warden, and specifically recognizing Officer Brown for her attentive care of her autistic grandson during the program.

Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio announced the Pickleball Tournament at Walnut Beach on June 20, with matches beginning at 8 a.m. and a dedication ceremony for a sign honoring Mr. Maunus at 10:30 a.m. All proceeds benefit the American Heart Association.

President John Roskovics noted that the LGBTQ Community Barbecue would also be held at Walnut Beach on June 20, and reminded the public of the annual Beach Glass Festival the following weekend.

City Manager James Timonere added that the Slice of Summer event returns to the Harbor on Saturday, June 20 starting at 10 a.m. He noted that it was a popular event in its inaugural year.

Ward 4 Councilor Jodi Mills also announced a ribbon cutting ceremony at Patina on the Lake, 1467 Bridge Street, on Friday, June 26 at 9:30 a.m.

Executive Session (if needed)

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. by Council President Roskovics.

Ashtabula City Council will meet again on Monday, July 6, 2026 in Council Chambers. The Pre-Council meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

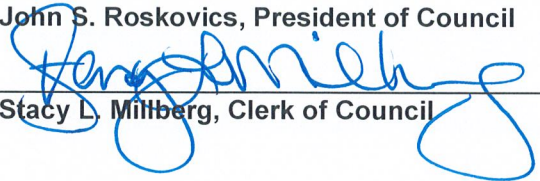
DATE APPROVED:

July 6, 2026
John J. Roskovics

ATTESTED BY:

John S. Roskovics, President of Council

ATTESTED BY:



Stacy L. Millberg, Clerk of Council