

CITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, JULY 7, 25

The City of Germantown Council met in regular session on July 7, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Building Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mayor Terry Johnson, Mr. Jeffrey Jones; Mrs. Bonnie Koogle, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Robert Rettich IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Rick Reed was absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Scott Davies, Law Director; Chip Wirrig, Service Department; Will Parsons, Community Relations Manager; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council and several visitors.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION:

Mayor Johnson presented Chris Gross with a certificate of appreciation for donating the beautiful metal signage on the entrance bolder at MMI.

Mr. Gross thanked everyone for allowing him to do the project.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

None.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mrs. Gilleland reviewed the consent agenda and the legislation.

Ms. Shively reviewed Ordinance 25-31 which is an amendment to the appropriations for this year.

Mr. Parsons reviewed the request by the owner of 53 West Market Street for a new liquor permit. The city requested a 30-day extension since the application is due today. The city was granted the extension by State Liquor Control. We have asked the applicant what kind of business he intends to have at the location and at this time he is not sure what exactly will occupy the space.

CLERK'S REPORT:

None.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Johnson sent thoughts and prayers to the families affected by the flooding in Texas.

He thanked the staff and residents that helped with the cleanup and issues that occurred after the large

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storms that caused damage in the city in June. He also thanked State Representative, Mr. Creech, the Montgomery County FEMA team and the National Weather Service for discussing the storms and giving their feedback.

He thanked everyone who had a part in the June SNO event. It was well attended, and we are looking forward to the July SNO.

The MMI Committee met in June and discussed the large monument and plaques. This project should be starting in the next few weeks.

He attended the German Township monthly meeting to discuss the future of the parks levy. They are wanting to discuss with the local leagues to see what improvements they would like to see in our parks.

He attended the annual July 4 Parade Event. He thanked everyone who attended and those who made it a huge success. After the parade, we did two walkway dedications in VMP to Bob and Sherry Neff and Bob McClain for their many hours of dedicated service to the City of Germantown over the years.

He congratulated the boys and girls Valley View Track Team for their outstanding performance at the State Track Meet.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Mr. Jones's Report:

Mr. Jones stated that the MVRPC meeting was cancelled last month.

He thanked the Staff for running and maintaining our pool. It is such an asset to our community.

Mrs. Koogle's Report:

Mrs. Koogle thanked everyone who made the July 4 Parade a success.

She is planning on attending the Senior Center Meeting this month.

She will also be attending the Cemetery Board Meeting next week. The Cemetery had several trees down due to the strong storms. The Staff is doing a great job at getting the debris removed.

She thanked those who participated in the Classic Model T Event that took place at the Florentine. It was fun to see them all lined up on the streets.

Thank you to all the Staff for the efforts at cleaning up after the storms. There were several trees down and a lot of limbs.

Mr. Kuhn's Report:

Mr. Kuhn thanked the Model T Club for visiting Germantown. It made the town look like it was going back in time.

The Economic Development Committee did not meet last month. We plan to continue to work on the murals and the grants to help pay for the murals. He encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming Movie in the Park Event at VMP. He reminded everyone that the Farmers Market is a huge success and to support local vendors.

He thanked Bob Neff and Bob McClain for all their dedicated hours of service to make Germantown what it is today.

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Mr. Rettich's Report:

Mr. Rettich attended the Planning Commission Meeting to approve the lot combination and new building for Schenck Furniture.

He congratulated Valley View Boys and Girls Track Team for their huge success at the State Competition.

Mr. Wafzig's Report:

Mr. Wafzig stated that MVCC did not meet in June.

He thanked all the Staff for their efforts during the storm that caused so much damage to Germantown. It is a huge task to make sure all the water, sewer, and emergency systems are up and running smoothly during and after the storms.

Mayor Johnson expressed appreciation to the Atrium Hospital Mobile Mammogram Unit and the Germantown Library for hosting it in the city parking lot. It was a great opportunity for residents to have mammogram services brought to them.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. June 2, 2025-Regular Session Meeting Minutes
2. June 2, 2025-Work Session Meeting Minutes
3. RESOLUTION NO. 25-33
A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SELL SAID PROPERTY.
4. RESOLUTION NO. 25-34
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, THE CITY OF CARLISLE AND THE COUNTY OF WARREN.
5. RESOLUTION NO. 25-35
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GARBER ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A GENERATOR

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogler, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

LEGISLATION:

INTRODUCTION:

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 25-31

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 25-22 APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025.

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Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 25-31.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to excuse Mr. Reed.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION: Mr. Jones moved to adjourn to Executive Session under the authority of O.R.C. § 121.22 (G)(3) conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action and O.R.C. § 121.22 (G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of property at competitive bidding “specifically the purchase and sale of property and pending litigation”.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:29 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

PRESENT:

The following members were present at the start of the Executive Session: Mayor Terry Johnson, Mr. Jeffrey Jones; Mrs. Bonnie Koogle, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Robert Rettich IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Rick Reed was absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Scott Davies, Law Director; Will Parsons, Community Relations Manager and Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council..

The aforementioned persons had discussion under the authority of O.R.C. § 121.22 (G)(3) conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action and O.R.C. § 121.22 (G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of property at competitive bidding “specifically the purchase and sale of property and pending litigation”.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn motioned to return to regular session.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:24 p.m.

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Rettich moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Terry Johnson
Mayor