# CITY OF SOUTH LEBANON REGULAR MEETING MINUTES August 7, 2025 6:00 P.M.

1. Mayor Burke opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with a Prayer and the Pledge.

#### 2. ATTENDANCE

Linda Allen – Present Sharon Carmack – Present Brenda Combs – Present Lisa Fedor – Present Maryan Harrison – Present Rolin Spicer – Present

#### 3. GUESTS

No guests were present.

4. Mayor Burke opened the floor to the public.

Alexandra Mermann-Furry Mermaid Canine Company, 3250 Halls Creek Road, Morrow, OH 45152-presented an agenda discussing Furry Mermaid Canine Company's services, business collaborations, monthly classes and goals.

Mayor Burke closed the floor to the public.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 5. **ORDINANCE 2025-15**, FIRST READING, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2025-05 FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH LEBANON, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2025, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025
- 6. **RESOLUTION 2025-31**, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ALT & WITZIG ENGINEERING, INC. FOR CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE RIVER CORRIDOR SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion to waive the two-reading rule was made by Fedor, seconded by Allen, all yeas. By title only, Resolution 2025-31, a motion to adopt was made by Fedor, second by Combs, all yeas.

## DISCUSSION RESCHEDULING MAYOR'S COURT DATES.

Law Director, Kirby stated that he discussed rescheduling Mayor's Court with Magistrate Nixon from Thursdays to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month, starting in November. He explained that the overlapping court schedules may result in a conflict with the public

defender and transportation of prisoners. He stated that he concurred with Mayor Burke. He stated that Council will vote on rescheduling Mayor's Court at the next Council Meeting on August 21, 2025.

Carmack asked if Mayor's Court is rescheduled for every week or every other week.

Kirby stated that Mayor's Court will be every other week on Wednesdays.

Mayor Burke stated that, according to the rules of council, items discussed will be on the next agenda for the date of August 21, 2025.

### 7. AUTHORIZATION OF INVOICES

A motion to authorize the invoices for payment (\$132,870.97) was made by Combs, seconded by Carmack, all yeas.

8. PRE-APPROVAL OF TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR UTILITY CLERK AMY BUTLER TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL IMPACT CONFERENCE IN SANDUSKY, OHIO

A motion to pre-approve travel expenses to attend the Annual Impact Conference was made by Combs, seconded by Carmack, all yeas.

# 9. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting – July 17, 2025

A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Allen, seconded by Fedor, all yeas.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **COMMUNICATION ITEMS**

## 10. COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS

## Mayor Burke

- a. Announced the City had a Farewell Party for George Hall, along with a Celebration for the birth of Paul Hick's newborn son.
- b. Attended a meeting with McGill Smith Punshon, Inc. regarding Engineering and Design Services required for the River Corridor Sanitary Sewer Extension Project.
- c. There was a Personnel Meeting on July 30, 2025.
- d. Attended a Ribbon Cutting for Furry Mermaid Canine Company.

- e. Remarked that Movie Night in the Park was a great hit. Discussed event details.
- f. Remarked that National Night Out was a success. She stated that Sgt. Adams will discuss details of the event.
- g. There will be Security Training for City employees and City Council on August 8, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.
- h. Attended a meeting on August 5, 2025, with Ethan Reynolds representing Governor Mike DeWine's Office. Stated that Mr. Reynolds provided valuable information regarding grant opportunities.
- i. Recognized National Purple Heart Day. Discussed that she is a descendant of George Washington. Discussed that Geroge Washington created the "Purple Heart." Encouraged City Council to watch Johnny Joey Jones on YouTube.

### Director of Finance Tina Williams

- a. Stated that an email was sent to Council this week regarding the 2024 Post-Audit Financials. There will be a 2025 Post-Audit Conference on August 11, 2025. Stated that the conference is available on Zoom.
- b. Reported that there was a clean audit in 2024.

## Administrator Jerry Haddix

- a. There will be a Planning Commission Meeting on August 12, 2025. Stated that the meeting agenda consists of reviewing replat and rezoning.
- b. There will be Legislation at the forthcoming Council Meetings regarding electric aggregation, as well as solid waste rates. Stated that he anticipates solid waste rates remaining the same.
- c. Stated that NVR withdrew their application for a zoning map amendment & PUD for the Froehlich property at the NW corner of State Route 48 & Winding River Blvd. Further stated that the Public Hearing scheduled for August 21, 2025, has been canceled. Stated that the cancellation of the Public Hearing has been advertised and notices have been mailed to the adjoining property owners.
- d. Remarked that National Night Out and Movie Night in the Park were a success.

Mayor Burke announced that she will be attending Shelby Paul Bryant's 94<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. Stated she will present a Proclamation.

## Public Works Director Harry Holbert

- a. Provided a report to Council on the happenings within the Public Works Department. The report included information on the City's public roadways, public water and sewer systems.
- b. Expressed his appreciation of Geroge Hall's work ethic.
- c. Discussed future Park Projects. Encouraged committees' input for future projects.
- d. Remarked that Warren County is a great partner for the Public Works Department Haddix stated that the paving project with River Creek Lofts is through a TIFF.

Mayor Burke addressed Facebook complaints/questions regarding street potholes.

# Law Director Chase Kirby

a. Nothing to Report

## Sgt. Corey Adams

a. Discussed potential location for 2026 National Night Out Event. Expressed his appreciation for the community and participants at the National Night Out on August 5, 2025.

Mayor Burke expressed her deepest condolences to Spicer.

## Rolin Spicer

a. Nothing to Report

## Lisa Fedor

a. Expressed her appreciation for Movie Night in the Park. Expressed her gratitude for National Night Out.

### Sharon Carmack

a. Nothing to Report

## Maryan Harrison

- a. Expressed her appreciation for Movie Night in the Park and National Night Out.
- b. Announced that Pauline Holloway's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday is forthcoming.

# Linda Allen

a. Nothing to Report

# Brenda Combs

- a. Noting to Report
- 11. Mayor Burke asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. A motion was made by Combs, seconded by Fedor, all yeas.

Jennifer O'Brien, Clerk of Council

Anda S. Burke Linda S. Burke, Mayor