

**Record of Proceedings
Regular Village of Peninsula Council**

Held: Tuesday, July 8, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Schneider called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Daniel Schneider, Jr.	Present	George Haramis	Present
Richard Slocum	Present	John Najeway	Present
Daniel Schneider	Present	Eliud Rosales	Present
Douglas Steidl	Absent		

OTHERS PRESENT: Solicitor Brad Bryan, Fiscal Officer Katie Iaconis

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS: None.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

June 10, 2025 Special Council Meeting Minutes

Mr. Slocum made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Schneider to approve the Minutes. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The Minutes were approved.

June 10, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Mr. Slocum made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Schneider to approve the Minutes. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The Minutes were approved.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Mo Riggins apologized for going over her time at last month's meeting. She also pointed out potential conflict of interests for Councilpersons Haramis and Najeway regarding short-term rentals. She noted she received the Village's response to her public records request and found discrepancies with respect to parking spaces between the 2024 and 2025 applications. She asked that all future approvals adhere strictly to Village regulations, including more specific parking advertisements, or else properties should limit guests or convert their properties to long-term rentals. She urged that police enforcement action be a last resort, not the first response.

Jodi Padrutt reported on repeated power outages and surges on Stine Road. She stated a lineman told her tree limbs rubbing on wires were likely to blame. The Mayor noted, under state law, the utility service is responsible for clearing vegetation off its lines. He agreed to contact the power company to complain about the problem and ask it to trim the trees near the lines.

Amy Frank-Hensley asked about emergency alert notifications. Ms. Iaconis and Mr. Bryan stated other communities utilize emergency text notification services to people who sign up to get them. Mayor Schneider noted that because the tornado siren is no longer functioning, some sort of notification would be helpful.

REPORTS

Mayor Schneider: The Mayor requested a motion to cancel the August 12, 2025 Regular Council Meeting. Council decided to vote on that matter at the end of the meeting to make sure

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there were no pressing items that needed to be handled next month. The Mayor also reported the Village email handles will be changed soon to match the website domain name.

Fiscal Officer, Ms. Iaconis: Ms. Iaconis stated she had no updates. She noted that the tax budget legislation is on this evening's agenda.

Street Commissioner, Mr. Anderson: The Mayor announced Mr. Anderson had nothing to report.

Finance Liaison, Mr. Slocum

Acknowledgement of Receipt of Financial Reports

Mr. Slocum made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Schneider to acknowledge receipt of the financial reports. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The motion was approved.

Ratification of Submitted Bills List

Mr. Slocum made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Schneider to ratify the submitted bills list. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The motion was approved.

Mr. Slocum asked when the online financial report will be updated. Ms. Iaconis stated it will go to Faith tomorrow to be uploaded to the website.

Police Department Liaison, Councilperson Schneider: Councilperson Schneider announced there was nothing to report. In response to a question, the Mayor advised there was no update from Mr. Elkins regarding when the speed monitoring signs and data devices would be set up.

Roads and Public Works Liaison, Mr. Haramis: Mr. Haramis announced there was nothing to report, and the roads are mostly in good shape.

Planning Commission Representative, Mr. Steidl: The Mayor and Mr. Bryan reported that the Planning Commission discussed possible zoning changes and potential improvements to the Village owned lot on N. Locust for public parking. The Commission is also reviewing Chapters 1 through 4 of the Area Master Plan.

Zoning Officer, Mr. Collins: The Mayor announced Mr. Collins had nothing to report.

Board of Zoning Appeals, Mayor Schneider:

Board Vacancy

The Mayor announced there is still a vacancy on the Board. Mr. Slocum asked if the lighting problem between neighbors on Stine Road is still an issue. The Mayor stated he needs to follow up on that matter.

Buildings and Grounds Liaison, Mr. Steidl: Mr. Steidl was not present. The Mayor stated there should be nothing new to report.

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Chamber of Commerce & Economic Development Liaison, Mr. Rosales: Mr. Rosales reported the Chamber meeting was cancelled.

Community Events Liaison, Mr. Najeway: Mr. Najeway reported the next Peninsula Live event will be this Friday, July 11 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Around 1,000 people attended last month. He is hoping for good weather on Friday.

Policies & Procedures Liaison, Mr. Slocum: Mr. Slocum shared he will be reviewing the employee manual and confirmed the Village is working toward consolidating its email accounts into the Microsoft environment. He recommends individual microphones for each speaker in the Council Chambers and that sound-deadening treatments be added to reduce the echo. The Mayor reported the Village is looking into installing a higher quality audio recording system.

Fire Board, Mr. Slocum: Mr. Slocum reported there were 84 calls in June, and the year-to-date total reached 445 as of July 4 (up from 353 at the same point last year), putting the Department on pace for 900 calls in 2025 versus 711 in 2024. The Department provided emergency medical training to the Peninsula Reserve Police officers. All engines are now back in service after repairs were made, which is fortunate because the Boston Heights tanker that had been covering for the out of service vehicles is now out due to overheated brakes after a response in Richfield.

Cemetery Board, Councilperson Schneider: Councilperson Schneider reported there is a Board Meeting on Thursday.

JEDD Board, Councilperson Schneider: Councilperson Schneider stated there is nothing to report.

Wastewater/Stormwater/Water Liaison, Mr. Najeway: The Mayor reported the Ohio EPA held a public hearing on the Wastewater Project discharge permit. Another meeting will be scheduled in the future relating to the treatment facility. Ms. Dorton stated future EPA meeting dates will be emailed out and will be posted on the website. Mr. Slocum stated he would circulate the EPA “interested parties” signup link to Council and Planning Commission Members. Mr. Bryan reported OHM advised him the prospects for receiving a roughly \$2 million ODOT grant and a \$1.6 million Ohio Public Works Commission grant for the Rt. 303 corridor improvements look promising. The County has also requested 5 million dollars of federal earmarked funds for the Wastewater Project from Representative Sykes and the Ohio Senators in the upcoming federal budget in place of the 3-million-dollar earmark award for the Project that was clawed back by Congress earlier in the spring.

Area Master Plan, Mr. Slocum and Mr. Steidl: The Mayor confirmed there is no update other than what’s already been discussed in the meeting already regarding the Rt. 303 corridor grant funding applications.

Solicitor, Mr. Bryan: Mr. Bryan stated he had nothing to report.

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LEGISLATION:

Third Reading: None.

Second Reading:

Resolution No. 12-2025 Version 2

Requested by: Mayor Schneider

A Resolution Directing the Summit County Board of Elections to Place a 3 Mill, 5-Year, Road Tax Renewal Levy on the November 4, 2025 General Election Ballot

Councilperson Schneider made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Slocum to suspend the three-reading rule. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The motion was approved. Mr. Slocum made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Najeway to adopt the Resolution. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The Resolution was adopted.

First Reading:

Resolution No. 14-2025

Requested by: Fiscal Officer Iaconis

A Resolution Adopting the Tax Budget of the Village of Peninsula for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2026 and Submitting the Same to the County Fiscal Officer

Mr. Najeway made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Schneider to suspend the three-reading rule. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The motion was approved. Mr. Najeway made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Rosales to adopt the Resolution. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The Resolution was adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:

The Mayor reported that Ms. Dorton had a meeting that was thought to be about parking ticket payments systems, but it turned out to be for a new parking enforcement system. Ms. Dorton explained the existing methods to pay for parking tickets include mailing a check; paying in person by cash, check, or credit card; or paying with a credit card via a link emailed upon request. Mr. Slocum explained there are two components to the payment issue: what forms of payment are available to the user of the application to pay for parking on the app such as ApplePay or Google Pay, and the other being the mechanism that PayByPhone uses to transfer payments to the Village.

Mr. Najeway reported he is trying to set up a time to visit the General Die Casters property. Mr. Slocum stated that Stacey Rusher from the Conservancy has tentatively agreed to schedule a tour of the Conservancy portion of the old golf course property for this Saturday morning at 9:00. He will let everyone know the details after he receives final confirmation from Ms. Rusher.

Mr. Najeway made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Schneider to cancel the August 12, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for a summer recess. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The motion was approved.

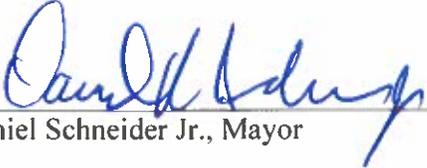
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EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NECESSARY): None.

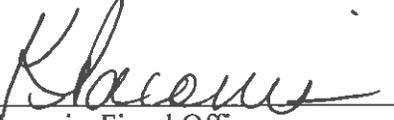
ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Najeway made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Schneider to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Rosales, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Daniel Schneider Jr., Mayor

9-09-2025
Date



Katie Iaconis, Fiscal Officer

9/9/2025