

VILLAGE OF PIKETON
April 6, 2026
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Billy Spencer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jennifer Chandler Jordan Cutler
Dennis Foreman Ryan Clemmons
Victor Brushart

Absent: Ralph Douthitt

Others present: Jim Nelson, Police Chief and Cheryl King Fiscal Officer/Administrator, Dale Seif, Solicitor

MINUTES

A motion was made by Victor Brushart to approve the minutes for the March 16, 2026 meeting. A second was made by Jennifer Chandler. Jennifer Chandler-yes, Dennis Foreman-yes, Victor Brushart-yes, Jordan Cutler-yes, Ryan Clemmons-abstained. Motion Carried.

FINES AND FORFEITURES

A motion was made by Dennis Foreman to accept the fines and forfeitures. A second was made by Ryan Clemmons. Jennifer Chandler-yes, Dennis Foreman-yes, Victor Brushart-yes, Jordan Cutler-yes, Ryan Clemmons-yes, motion Carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- Kent Bryan updated council on the schedule and reported that the week of May 11th; everything will be tested for the Water Plant and then start up by the end of the week. Wastewater plant is still on schedule.

COMMITTEES

Finance- Ralph Douthitt-absent. Cheryl King reported that a draft of the 2024 annual audit has been completed and reviewed with the Mayor and Ralph Douthitt and will be sent to council once finalized. The Mayor stated he found no problems with the audit.

Police & Fire- Victor Brushart- Chief Nelson provided the activity report, two new officers were hired; one with a lot of experience and one has two years at Jackson and Nelson will try to get them patrolling as soon as possible.

Utilities- Ryan Clemmons- Mayor reported there is hydrant and valve work going on.

Streets & Sidewalks- Jordan Cutler asked about paving and the Mayor stated he has called for quotes. Foreman asked about crack filler and Mayor stated he is looking into that as well.

Subdivision-Dennis Foreman-Foreman stated when Ralph returns there will be a committee meeting. Chandler suggested The Mayor stated Brewster's have 36 ½ acre lots on the hill; and they are aware they have to put in new water and sewer and are aware of

the subdivision regulations. Chandler suggested looking at the maps and make some legislative zoning decisions about temporary housing in place.

Community Development-Jennifer Chandler said the program we applied for to build the road called Redstreak Way came in 9th and they only fund the first 5 so the next round we are likely to get funded. Chandler said she was asked who would be providing OKLO with water and sewer. There was some discussion but the Mayor has not been approached by anyone regarding water or sewer. There was discussion about how much the new wastewater plant can take and the Mayor stated the new plant can take 1 million gallon per day and we cannot grow past 3 million gallon per day. The Mayor stated we must set aside at least up to that first million for Piketon Village. Any more growth needs to be passed along and not burden the Village. Council discussed the potential growth coming to the area and the impact it will have on Piketon and some of the changes that may need to be made and discussions that need to happen.

MAYORS REPORT

The Mayor attended the Rio Grande open house and met with the new director. The Piketon Branch is not getting references from the local school so parents need to be aware and the program supported. The Mayor also discussed having a sign put on the actual building to identify what is in the building. The Mayor introduced the Domestic Violence shelter women to a program that is available at RIO and they now have several enrolled in the program.

The Mayor presented Resolution 2026-04 Amending pay rate by title. The Mayor explained that he made a change to zoning officer to \$20.00/hr up to 24 hours a week with anticipation of the increased activity and may need to increase the hours more.

A motion was made by Jennifer Chandler to accept Resolution 2026-04. A second was made by Dennis Foreman. Chandler-yes, Foreman-yes, Brushart-yes, Cutler-yes, Clemmons-yes.

The Mayor presented Resolution 2026-05 Amending Salaries by name and title. This includes two new officers and removal of Officer Elam.

A motion was made by Dennis Foreman to accept Resolution 2026-05. A second was made by Victor Brushart. Chandler-yes, Foreman-yes, Brushart-yes, Cutler-yes, Clemmons-yes.

The Mayor presented Resolution 2026-06 the 2027 Salt Contract. This is for 200 tons total of salt. A motion was made by Ryan Clemmons to accept Resolution 2026-06. A second was made by Jennifer Chandler. Chandler-yes, Foreman-yes, Brushart-yes, Cutler-yes, Clemmons-yes.

OPEN ITEMS

Jennifer Chandler stated she will be bringing a citizens complaint to the office tomorrow as her and her neighbors are being disturbed by razors/side-by-side across the street from her home. Chandler stated they enter and exit in the middle of the night and are very loud. Chief Nelson asked that they call to report when the incident occurs so that they can be present. There was more discussion and Chandler left a noise ordinance for the Mayor to review at a later time. No Ordinance was passed at this meeting.

PAY BILLS

A motion was made by Victor Brushart to pay the bills and any that are due before the next meeting. A second was made Jordan Cutler. All in favor, Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Dennis Foreman and a second was made by Ryan Clemmons to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Jennifer Chandler

Victor Brushart

_____absent_____
Ralph Douthitt

Jordan Cutler

Dennis Foreman

Ryan Clemmons

All formal actions of the Village of Piketon concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.