

VILLAGE OF PIKETON
July 20, 2026
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Ralph Douthitt called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:	Jennifer Chandler	Victor Brushart
	Ryan Clemmons	Jordan Cutler

Members absent: Dennis Foreman arrived 7:20

Others present: Jim Nelson, Police Chief, and Zoning Officer, Nathan King and Cheryl King, Fiscal Officer/Administrator.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Victor Brushart to approve the minutes for the July 6, 2026 meeting. A second was made by Ryan Clemmons. Jennifer Chandler-yes, Victor Brushart-yes, Jordan Cutler-abstained, Ryan Clemmons-yes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- Kent Bryan stated the trailers have been moved out; they are working with the controls “SCADA” people to coordinate. They are doing stairs; handrails and miscellaneous steel at the wastewater treatment plant. All major pieces of equipment have been set. The wastewater plant also has full power. In regard to the two wells; the pumps are in but not the motors.

COMMITTEES

Finance- Ralph Douthitt- nothing new; balances looking good.

Police & Fire- Victor Brushart- Brushart asked Nelson if the one officer is still on probation and he replied yes; Nelson stated still interviewing because they are 1 down. Douthitt asked if there had been any movement on the GO Bus. Cheryl King reported that a gentleman from ODOT had called in last week and spoke with both Nelson and herself regarding the GO Bus. The Mayor contacted the man and made arrangements to have the GO Bus removed and it will be out of Piketon some time in September.

Utilities- Ryan Clemmons- see above report on plants

Streets & Sidewalks- Jordan Cutler-Cutler asked if there was a date to start paving on Market Street. King stated she was not aware of any plans in the works as of now.

Subdivision-Dennis Foreman- absent-

Community Development-Jennifer Chandler- nothing new

OPEN ITEMS

Ralph Douthitt asked how many permits the zoning officer, Nathan King had done since he began; King stated 9. Douthitt stated he has also been following up on trash and grass cuttings. Douthitt said his feelings are one warning and then site them into court. King reported that he had issued

close to 20 warning tags and is doing follow ups on those. Douthitt also suggested making the position at least four days a week and Chandler asked if it should be full time? Foreman asked if our fees for permits, etc are in line with other communities our size. There was discussion about the growth and the need for a full time position and Chandler said her recommendation is to make it full time. A motion was made by Ryan Clemmons to change the zoning officer position from part time to full time at 40/hours a week. A second was made by Jennifer Chandler. Chandler-yes, Foreman-yes, Brushart-yes, Cutler-yes, Clemmons-yes. Motion carried.

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 by Dennis Foreman . All in favor, Motion carried.

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

Jennifer Chandler

Victor Brushart

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.