### City of Deer Park City Council Municipal Building Meeting September 15th,2025

Mayor Donnellon opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation.

Clerk of Council read the roll. Tom Camp, Kathy Downs, Mark Feldhaus, Neil Kelly, Natasha Kohorst, Mayor Donnellon all present Chris Westmark- absent, Mayor Donnellon made a motion to excuse Ms. Westmark, Ms. Kohorst seconded the motion, motion carried, we had a moment of silence for the passing of the former Law Director of Deer Park: Jeff Vollman.

# Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Downs made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 18<sup>th</sup>,2025 council meeting; Mr. Kelly seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** none

# **Standing Committee Reports**

### Legislative and Finance Committee Chair Chris Westmark – presented by Natasha Kohorst

**2025-11** A resolution authorizing the city manager to enter into an agreement of cooperation with Hamilton County Ohio pursuant to provisions of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, discussion ensued, Dr Jetter this will give the city great opportunities to consolidate funding together, Ms. Kohorst made a motion to adopt, Mr. Kelly seconded the motion. roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Camp- yes, Ms. Downs- yes, Mr. Feldhaus- yes, Mr. Kelly- yes, Ms. Kohorst- yes, Mayor Donnellon -yes. Resolution was adopted.

**2025-12 Resolution:** A resolution Amending Chapter 121 of the Codified Ordinances of Deer Park. Ohio and declaring an emergency. Mr. Pacheco discussed these are the public participation rules council had discussed. Discussion ensued, Ms. Kohorst made a motion to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading rule, Mayor Donnellon seconded, roll vote: Mr. Camp- yes, Ms. Downs- yes, Mr. Feldhaus- yes, Mr. Kelly- yes, Ms. Kohorst- yes, Mayor Donnellon - yes. Motion passed. Ms. Kohorst made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-12 Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken: Mr. Camp- yes, Ms. Downs- yes, Mr. Feldhaus- yes, Mr. Kelly- yes, Ms. Kohorst- yes, Mayor Donnellon - yes. Resolution was adopted. The changes go in effect immediately.

**2025-13 Resolution:** A Resolution for Crime. A resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase employee Dishonesty and Faithful Performance of Duty Policy from the Ohio Risk Management under R.C. 3.061 Discussion ensued, Mr. Pacheco said we should never need to use it, but it is protection for the city. It saves us money by not having to buy individual bonds but combining the bonds essentially

Ms. Kohorst made a motion to adopt the resolution, Mr. Feldhaus seconded the motion, roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Camp- yes, Ms. Downs- yes, Mr. Feldhaus- yes, Mr. Kelly- yes, Ms. Kohorst- yes, Mayor Donnellon -yes. Resolution was adopted.

The August 2025 Income report city is up over 2024 YTD Ms. Kohorst made a motion to accept, Mr. Kelly seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

August 2025 Fund Report, Ms. Kohorst presented and stated in balance. Ms. Kohorst made a motion to accept the report, Mr. Camp seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

August 2025 JEDZ report was presented all in balance, Ms. Kohorst made a motion to accept the report, Mr. Feldhaus seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried. \$ 82 197 YTD received.

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#### **Safety Committee Chair Tom Camp:**

Mr. Camp presented the August 202 5 Fire report, the district had 339 calls for service, and Deer Park had 97 Deer Park YTD has had 711 calls for service

Mr. Feldhaus presented the August 2025 Police report, 931 citizen calls for service, 12 offense reports, 44 arrests, the complete report is available online

Chief Battin shared we have made a tentative job offer for a new officer, he should be sworn in on October 6<sup>th</sup> if no issues occur.

**Public Works Committee Chair Kathy Downs: The** city is scheduling the milling, paving repairs and intermediate asphalt on 3 streets, Linden, Webster and Hoffman avenues for the week of September 29<sup>th</sup> We will then do the concrete work, asphalt castings and pave the surface asphalt. Duneden is not being done and there is a contractor issue on Redmont, MSDS issue.

# **Park Board Committee Chair Mark Feldhaus**

Party in the Park this past weekend, the rain hurt a little. September 27<sup>th</sup> is Touch a Truck Boo Fest is 2 days October 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> this year 6-930 Nov 1<sup>st</sup> is the armchair races at the Community Center. All the prizes were given away; winners posted on the Park Board Facebook page.

Correspondence & Miscellaneous: none

OLD BUSINESS: Student Government night- Ms. Westmark not here to discuss/

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. Feldhaus asked when the road levy meeting was occurring, it is October  $7^{th}$ , 2025

Special Announcements & Reports from Other City Official.

**City Manager:** October 7<sup>th</sup> meeting on road levy, Dr. Jetter has slide presentation ready to go. Negotiations will begin September 22 for the Police Contract; Lawyer Kurt Wahl handles the negotiations and Dr. Jetter signs off. Dr Jetter was able to get the city \$10,000 for Duke to be used on Schenk property development.

Dr. Jetter is working in county funding to purchase Movie Theatre and other properties, Mio Vino property. being looked at for a family restaurant.

Service Department is working on catch basins, and the city has received \$250,000 funding for gateway project for design of Blue Ash Rd. Phase 2

The State had a discussion on Light Rail, The Federal government criticized state for at the issue. Short Railroads are looking for money

Solicitor - none

Mayor: none

### Schedule:

September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Block Watch 7:00 PM Community Center. A WWII survivor Gerta Braunhein will be speaking, she is 92 and shares her personal story.

September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Park Board Meeting 7:00 PM Council Chambers

### **Events:**

September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Touch a Truck from noon to 4 pm

October 7th, 2025, Townhall Meeting with information regarding road levy Renewal 7 pm Community Center

October 10, 11th 6-930 PM BOO FEST

October 21st, 2025, Block Watch 7 PM Community Center

#### **ROUND ROBIN:**

Mr. Kelly- won't be here on October 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup>, he is getting married

Ms. Kohorst went to OKI board meeting, and everyone was talking about the city and what we are doing.

Mayor Donnellon made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Downs seconded the motion, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 7:35 PM

John Donnellon Mayor

Angie Tegenkamp Chachoff Clerk of Council