

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

June 9, 2025

The Council of the Village of Coldwater held its regular meeting in the Village Council Chambers on June 9, 2025, with Mayor Doug Bertke presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll call was responded to by: Davis, Rutschilling, Buschur, Niekamp, Bettinger and Seitz. Also present were Village Manager Eric Thomas, Law Director Judy Koesters and Finance Director Jason Eyink.

Invocation by Niekamp.

Guests included Kevin Wynk and Georgia Rindler.

A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Buschur to approve the minutes from May 27, 2025. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Davis, Rutschilling, Buschur, Niekamp, Bettinger and Seitz. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Rutschilling, second by Bettinger to approve the bills. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Davis, Rutschilling, Buschur, Niekamp, Bettinger and Seitz. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Seitz, second by Davis to approve the agenda. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Davis, Rutschilling, Buschur, Niekamp, Bettinger and Seitz. Motion Carried.

Comments from the Public: None

Reports:

Police: Wynk congratulated the girls state track team on their recent state championship and he wished good luck to the baseball team in their state semi-final game.

Finance: Eyink discussed the cash position report and the income tax report. Income tax collections are up by \$223,000 as compared to 2024.

Manager: Thomas said the crews should finish up the water line replacement on Fifth Street this week. Fifth Street will be paved along with a section of West Vine Street yet this year. Taylor painting has started on the pickleball courts. Bettinger asked about a bad section of South Fourth Street that needs repaired. It is on the list to be repaired once the guys start doing some concrete patching. She also asked about the possibility of making parking on North Seventh Street on one side only. Thomas said that can be looked into and should go to the Transportation Committee.

Mayor: Mayor Bertke congratulated the Coldwater athletic teams on 3 state championships so far this year and said hopefully the baseball team can bring home one more.

Old Business:

Ordinance 1752 remained tabled.

Ordinance 1759: An ordinance establishing certain positions and a pay schedule for hourly and salaried employees of the Village of Coldwater Ohio, providing for employee benefits not otherwise specified in the personnel policy manual, repealing all ordinances inconsistent herewith and declaring an emergency. A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Rutschilling to suspend the rules for Ordinance 1759. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Davis, Rutschilling, Buschur, Niekamp, Bettinger and Seitz. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Davis, second by Seitz to approve Ordinance 1759 on its third and final reading. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Davis, Rutschilling, Buschur, Niekamp, Bettinger and Seitz. Motion Carried.

New Business:

A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Buschur to allow Priority Power Management to negotiate and execute a new electric aggregation contract. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Davis, Rutschilling, Buschur, Niekamp, Bettinger and Seitz. Motion Carried.

Council Call-Final Comments:

A reminder that the Taste of the Town is June 10, 2025 and the current forecast is looking good.

There were many congratulations to the girls track team for their state championship and many well wishes to the baseball team.

A motion to adjourn was made by Davis, second by Seitz. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Attest:   
Jason Eyink, Clerk of Council

  
Douglas Bertke, Mayor