

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of City Council

Held January 8, 2026

Regular Meeting Call to Order

The meeting called to order at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call

Teri Murphy	Mayor	Present
Branden Delph	At-Large	Present
Ora Allen	At-Large	Present
Mike Daugherty	Ward 1	Present
Dave Miller	Ward 2	Present
Shirley Whitt	Ward 3	Present
Jeanette Marcus	Ward 4	Present

Staff Attendance:

City Manager Michael Davis	Law Director Kent Depoorter
Deputy Police Chief Jason Neubauer	Fire Chief Traci Kuzminski
Finance Director Annetta Williams	Street Superintendent Chris Dunn
Build. Maint. Superintendent Rocky Bangert	City Engineer Lauren Alvarado
Parks and Recreation Director Brent Shane	Public Information Officer Aaron Vietor
Build. & Zoning Admin. Brent Carpenter	Clerk of Council Karen Powell

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes - December 11, 2025

Mayor Murphy asked if there were any changes or corrections to the December 11, 2025, Regular Council meeting minutes. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as submitted.

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes - January 2, 2026

Mayor Murphy asked if there were any changes or corrections to the January 2, 2026, Regular Council meeting minutes. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as submitted.

Special Presentations - None

Reports from the Following

Finance Committee

No report.

Finance Director

Finance Director Annetta Williams stated she will submit the complete December report in the agenda packets at the next meeting. She reported that the City's revenues exceeded the estimates in almost every category, including income tax revenues, and expenses came in at 84 percent of the budget overall. She noted that will have a positive impact on the five-year projection.

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Committee of the Whole

Ms. Marcus noted the last Committee of the Whole meeting was on December 11, 2025. She reported there would be a meeting this evening.

City Manager

City Manager's Report — January 8, 2026

City Manager Michael Davis stated he has nothing further unless there are questions regarding the City Manager's Report.

Law Director

Mr. Kent Depoorter asked Council for approval to amend the agenda to add Ordinance 2218-26, an emergency amendment to the Moraine Codified Ordinances to place and enforce no parking signs on Fuyao Avenue due to congestion and safety hazard issues caused by on-street parking.

Mr. Depoorter also requested approval to add Resolution 8210-26 to the agenda which deals with an access agreement with Miami Township so that the township can access a portion of Owendale Ditch owned by the township via the portion of Owendale Ditch owned by the City of Moraine so that the township can perform exploratory excavation on the portion owned by the township. He said no work or excavations will be performed on the portion owned by the City.

Mayor Murphy asked for a motion to amend the agenda for each piece of legislation.

Ms. Marcus moved to approve the addition of Ordinance 2218-26 to the agenda which involving Fuyao Avenue parking as requested by the Law Director.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Jeanette Marcus
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Daugherty moved to approve the addition of Resolution 8210-26 to the agenda for the Owendale Ditch access agreement, per the Law Director.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Mike Daugherty
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor

Mayor's Court Monthly Report - October 2025

Mayor Murphy reported for the month of October 2025, Mayor’s Court received \$21,169.88. She noted after various expenses and disbursements, a total of \$15,236.33 was deposited into the General Fund.

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Mayor's Court Monthly Report - November 2025

Mayor Murphy reported for the month of November 2025, Mayor’s Court received \$13,535.82. She noted after various expenses and disbursements, a total of \$10,262.14 was deposited into the General Fund.

Guest Speakers - None

Business

Ordinances

2215-25 An Ordinance approving the amended City of Moraine Personnel Policy Manual.

Mrs. Allen said the Personnel Policy Manual has been revised since the initial reading of the legislation in December. She noted this is the first reading of the legislation since those changes were made, and the second reading and adoption will be passed to the January 22, 2026, Regular Council Meeting.

2217-26 An Ordinance to amend Moraine Codified Ordinance Chapter 901 (“Use of Public Rights-Of-Way, Public Land and Public Easements”) to add a new Section 901.22 entitled “Right-Of-Way Minor Maintenance Permit Requirement”.

Mr. Daugherty reported that this legislation approves a new Section 901.22 in Chapter 901 of the Codified Ordinances that will address situations in which an applicant requires right of way access which does not involve road excavation. He noted the amendment will simplify the permitting process. Mr. Daugherty stated this item will be passed to the January 22, 2026, Regular Council meeting for a second reading and adoption.

2218-26 An Ordinance amending Moraine Codified Ordinances – Part Three – Traffic Code – Appendix III to prohibit vehicle parking or standing anytime on both sides of Fuyao Avenue and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Miller stated that parking by employees on Fuyao Avenue has become a safety hazard. He said that this legislation approves an amendment to the Moraine Codified Ordinances Traffic Code allowing the enforcement of "No Parking" along Fuyao Avenue and is emergency legislation. Mr. Miller moved to suspend the rules to allow for the first and second readings at this meeting.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Dave Miller
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Miller moved to approve.

RESULT: (*Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Dave Miller
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph

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NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolutions

8205-26 A Resolution accepting the proposal of and authorizing the City to purchase at state bid from Deere & Company a tractor, loader, and tiller at a price of \$73,979.11 for use by the Street Division.

Ms. Marcus reported that this Resolution authorizes the purchase of a utility tractor, loader, and tiller from Deere and Company which is a budgeted item. She moved to approve.

RESULT: Passed (Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)
MOVER: Jeanette Marcus
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8206-26 A Resolution authorizing the City of Moraine to accept the proposal of Palmer Trucks for purchase of a 2027 Kenworth dump truck for use by the Street Division at a state bid price of \$131,000.00 and further authorizing upfitting of said truck by Kalida Truck Equipment, Inc. at a cost of \$136,600.00 - for a total price of \$267,600.00.

Mr. Delph reported that this legislation authorizes the purchase of a 2027 Kenworth dump truck from Palmer Trucks and authorizes the upfitting of said truck by Kalida Truck Equipment, Inc. He noted this is a budgeted item. Mr. Delph moved to approve.

RESULT: Passed (Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)
MOVER: Branden Delph
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8207-26 A Resolution to reappoint Erica Grooms to the Parks and Recreation Board and Tree Board for a term ending December 31, 2027.

Mrs. Whitt stated that this Resolution approves the reappointment of Erica Grooms to the Parks and Recreation Board and Tree Board. She explained that a background check is pending, and reappointment will be finalized once the background paperwork is received.

RESULT: Passed (Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)
MOVER: Shirley Whitt
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8208-26 A Resolution to reappoint Kevin Howard to the Planning Commission for a term ending December 31, 2027.

Mrs. Allen reported that this Resolution approves the reappointment of Kevin Howard to the Planning Commission pending background check results. Mrs. Allen moved to approve.

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RESULT: *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Ora Allen
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8209-26 A Resolution to reappoint Mary Woeste to the Merit System Commission for a term ending December 31, 2027.

Mr. Daugherty reported that this legislation approves the reappointment of Mary Woeste to the Merit System Commission. He noted the background check has been completed and there are no issues. Mr. Daugherty moved to approve.

RESULT: *Passed (Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Mike Daugherty
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8210-26 A Resolution approving an access agreement with Miami Township, Ohio, with respect to Owendale Ditch.

Ms. Marcus explained that Miami Township, Ohio, is requesting access via the portion of Owendale Ditch owned by the City of Moraine, Ohio, in order to cross through the culvert under Lamme Road to attempt exploratory excavations on its portion of Owendale Ditch. She said this legislation approves that access agreement. Ms. Marcus moved to approve.

RESULT: *Passed (Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Jeanette Marcus
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt, Jeanette Marcus, Branden Delph
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Voice Vote - None

Persons Appearing Before Council - None

Any Other Business

Building Maintenance Supervisor Rocky Bangert welcomed everyone back for the New Year.

Street Supervisor Chris Dunn thanked Council for approving the purchase of the dump truck and tractor. He stated the equipment will be a big help to the department.

No other staff in attendance had anything to report.

Mrs. Allen sent condolences to the family of Bob Wilkerson. She said Mr. Wilkerson's wife grew up in Moraine, he has ties to Moraine, and the Wilkersons are long-time friends of hers.

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She wished a happy 101st birthday to Beechie Broadus, a long-time resident of Moraine.

Mrs. Whitt thanked the Street Division for clearing the streets during the last snow. She said she appreciates all the City departments and staff.

Mr. Miller wished a happy belated birthday to Mrs. Whitt. He congratulated Officer Jerome Klemmensen on his recent retirement from the Police Division. He thanked the Street Division for making the extra pass for leaf pickup after the snow and noted that the residents really appreciated the effort.

Mr. Daugherty wished all a Happy New Year. He stated he is excited to be back in the municipal building and to have some normalcy.

Due to audio difficulties, some of Mayor Murphy's comments could not be heard.

Executive Session - None

Adjournment

Mayor Murphy thanked the Miami Valley Communications Council for broadcasting this meeting live as well as any future rebroadcasts.

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 PM.



Mayor Teri Murphy



ATTEST: Clerk of Council, Karen Powell