

Lyndhurst, Ohio
September 15, 2025

The Council of The City of Lyndhurst held a Regular Meeting on Monday, September 15, 2025 at 7:31 P.M., Vice Mayor David A. Frey, presiding.

Members Present: Council Representatives J. A. Marko, J. A. Gambatese, L. A. Schlessel, S. C. Grushetsky, C. A. LoPresti.

Others Present: P. A. Ward, Mayor;
J. P. Luskin, Director of Law;
R. J. Schmidlin, Assistant Director of Law;
M. J. Carroll, Chief of Fire;
J. Maichle, Building Commissioner;
T. Fioritto, Director of Service;
R. Petrunyak, Director of Finance;
K. L. Miller, Assistant Clerk of Council.

Absent: Council Representative J. Price;
P. A. Rhode, Chief of Police.

*Due to military duty assignment, Mr. LoPresti was present remotely via the Zoom meeting application.

It was moved by Mr. Marko, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, copies of which were distributed to all Members, be dispensed with, and said minutes stand approved as circulated.

The question was put to a voice vote and passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward began the swearing in ceremony by introducing the newest member of the Lyndhurst Fire Department, Andrew Kubek.

Before the Oath of Office was administered, Chief Carroll asked the new Firefighter Medic to commit to the mission statement and uphold the core values of the Lyndhurst Fire Department.

Mayor Ward administered the Oath of Office to Firefighter Medic Andrew Kubek.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Ward spoke about the 100th Home Day weekend celebration. He expressed his gratitude, on behalf of the committee and city council members, to all the service, police, and fire departments as well as the SPAN law enforcement partners, Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department Impact Unit, the many volunteers, and staff members who assured this was a spectacular event and calm atmosphere inside and outside of Lyndhurst Park all weekend. Mayor Ward mentioned that he received many compliments and read the following email from a resident:

On behalf of my wife, myself, my children, and grandchildren. I just wanted to give a shout out to everyone that worked to make Home Day a wonderful weekend. Please pass on my gratitude to all the employees of the city ,that help make this a wonderful family event. I would also like to send a special thanks to the police, Firefighters, EMTs and service workers!! A JOB WELL DONE.

Mayor Ward remarked how wonderful it is to hear that the community notices and appreciates what our people do. Lastly, he reminded everyone that Council Coffee is Saturday, October 4th from 9-11am at the Lyndhurst Community Center.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Chairperson Grushetsky had no report.

PUBLIC LANDS & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE – Chairperson Frey had no report.

ROADS & UTILITIES COMMITTEE – Chairperson Price was absent; therefore, no report was given.

SERVICE & SEWERS COMMITTEE – Chairperson Price was absent; therefore, no report was given.

SAFETY COMMITTEE – Chairperson Gambatese had no report at this time.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – Chairperson Grushetsky had no report.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Council member Schlessel had no report.

SOUTH EUCLID LYNDHURST BOARD OF EDUCATION – It was not the first meeting of the month; therefore, a member of the School Board was not present to deliver a report.

There were no requests for additions to the Agenda.

The floor was opened for public comment, with the following being heard:

Liam Dirk, 5112 Eastover Road, a young resident who was present with his mom Allison, shared that he thinks Lyndhurst is a great city!

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-45
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION**

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNT AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER

It was moved by Mr. Marko, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended, that Resolution No. 2025-45 be placed on third reading for final adoption and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Gambatese, Schlessel, Grushetsky, Frey.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Resolution No. 2025-45 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with section 5 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that Resolution No. 2025-45 be adopted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Gambatese, Schlessel, Grushetsky, Frey.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Resolution No. 2025-45 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-46
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS INSURANCE CARRIERS RECOMMENDED BY JACKSON, DIEKEN & ASSOCIATES, INC., TO PROVIDE THE NEEDED INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIRED BY THE CITY OF LYNDHURST AND THE LYNDHURST MUNICIPAL COURT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

It was moved by Mr. Marko, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended, that Ordinance No. 2025-46 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Gambatese, Schlessel, Grushetsky, Frey.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2025-46 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with section 3 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that Ordinance No. 2025-46 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Gambatese, Schlessel, Grushetsky, Frey.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2025-46 is passed.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-47
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT WITH
CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH FOR PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES
TO BE RENDERED DURING THE YEARS 2026 AND 2027**

It was moved by Mr. Marko, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended, that Ordinance No. 2025-47 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Gambatese, Schlessel, Grushetsky, Frey.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2025-47 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with section 5 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that Ordinance No. 2025-47 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Gambatese, Schlessel, Grushetsky, Frey.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2025-47 is passed.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-48
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH PHILLIPS
PAVING, LLC FOR THE 2025 ASPHALT PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY**

It was moved by Mr. Grushetsky, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended, that Ordinance No. 2025-48 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Gambatese, Schlessel, Grushetsky, Frey.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2025-48 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with section 4 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Grushetsky, that Ordinance No. 2025-48 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Gambatese, Schlessel, Grushetsky, Frey.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2025-48 is passed.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that the meeting be adjourned.

The question was put to a voice vote and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Approved: October 6, 2025

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council

Vice Mayor