

Carroll Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Preston Barringer called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members of Council present were Linda Dattilo, Will Burns, Kenny George, Kevin Rinehart, Adam Tippet, and Shelly Squibb. Also, in attendance were Fiscal Officer Crystal Roberts and Solicitor Jeff Feyko.

Approval Agenda

Linda Dattilo made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Will Burns, roll call was all in favor.

Visitors

Dave Leffler, Byard and Maggie Grim, and Debbie Joyce Jakala (DJ) (SBA Office of Disaster Recovery and Resiliency).

Visitors Comments

DJ Jakala came to speak about disaster loans for the victims of the floods that happened on July 27, 2025. There is help for businesses, homeowners, and renters. She left information at the Municipal Building for anyone to pick up.

Byard Grim asked for a better explanation of the Resolutions/Ordinances upon the reading.

Approval of Minutes

Will Burns made a motion to approve the minutes from council meeting Tuesday, September 9, 2025, seconded by Adam Tippet, roll call was all in favor.

Approval of Bills, End of Month Reports, and Mayor's Monthly Statement

Each member received copies in their packet of computer-generated Management Reports for end of September (original to be signed by the Council and Mayor); Primary Checking Account Reconciliation (to be signed by Council and Mayor); paid bills and/or due bills.

Will Burns made a motion to approve, seconded by Shelly Squibb, roll call was all in favor.

Committee Reports

Finance:

Friday, September 26, 2025
7:00 p.m.

Members: Will Burns-Chairperson, Adam Tippet, and Shelly Squibb.

Fiscal Officer Crystal Roberts was present.

Visitors present: Mary Rice from People's Bank

On the agenda was to discuss 2026 water and sewer rates, phase 3 construction, employee pay, Spectrum, old business, new business, and any other business brought before the committee.

A representative from Spectrum stopped by and discussed phone options and internet cost to be installed at 59 Oberle Ave with the fiscal officer. After reviewing the information given to the committee the subject was tabled. The fiscal officer will get more information on the phone system. Will Burns didn't see a necessity to have internet installed at 59 Oberle Ave, the rest of the committee agreed.

Mary Rice from People's Bank discussed adding Workplace Banking to the village account. There is no extra cost in doing so. By adding Workplace Banking it gives employees extra discounts and perks if they bank through them. The committee will take to council for a vote.

Phase 3 construction was tabled. Will didn't have the information he needed, yet.

The Fiscal Officer's contract is to be reviewed every year by council, this was discussed next. The committee will recommend a 4%-7% raise to council.

Next discussed were the increase in water and sewer rates for 2026. The committee discussed raising water 6% and sewer 6% and will take to council. They would like the fiscal officer to give them a report of all the revenue, expenditures, fund balance, and loan information. The committee has this information, but wants it all on one sheet and not in several different reports.

Old Business

New Business-None

Leaks around the village were discussed and Will suggested to committee member Adam Tippet, which is also the chairperson for the Rules Committee, to get a resolution that states all meter changes and new services shall be metered at the point of curb stop/disconnect. Adam stated he would take that to committee.

Will Burns made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Adam Tippet, roll call was all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

Service: Did not meet.

Safety:

Monday, October 13, 2025
7:00 p.m.

Members: Will Burns- Chairperson, Kenny George, and Kevin Rinehart. All members were present.

Mayor Preston Barringer and Fiscal Officer Crystal Roberts were present.

Visitors: None

On the agenda was to discuss poultry, mosquito spraying, and any other business brought before the committee.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Will Burns, roll call was done by Fiscal Officer Crystal Roberts, all were present.

Poultry was discussed first. Some suggestions if poultry was allowed in the village were: no more than eight chickens (must be hens, no roosters), no advertising of selling or giving away eggs, need to be in the backyard, not front yard, must be caged (not over 10x10, not over 6 feet high), and four ducks would be allowed. The discussion was tabled. The committee would like to get more information from other entities.

Mosquitoes discussed next. The committee would like to get estimates from other companies. Committee member Will Burns came across a company that sprays from drones. The village would still treat the basins and other areas that have standing water. Will stated he would get estimates.

Old Business

New Business

Signage will be different in front of the school. Superintendent Shawn Haughn stated he is receiving a lot of complaints. Gary from DLZ stated that work should be done in front of the school in approximately three weeks. Will stated that the man hole crew is moving along great, but the boring crew is taking too long.

Kevin Rinehart made motion to adjourn, roll call was all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Rules: Did not meet.

Police Report

Report given to council.

Zoning Inspector/Property Maintenance

Zoning: Fence permit, extended building permit for Carroll-Cemetery Road (Wooley).

Property Maintenance: One property maintenance complaint, haven't sent to the office, yet.

Solicitor's Report

There are four new pieces of legislation on the agenda for council's consideration this evening.

The first is Ordinance 2025-09 Snow Plow Ordinance allows the County when plowing county roads that are in the vicinity of the village to plow those roads.

This is a standard ordinance that the county requests every year. It should be passed as an emergency in order to return it to the county as soon as possible as no one knows when we could get snow.

The second is Ordinance 2025-10 Temporary Appropriation Ordinance. This is a standard ordinance, as well and can go through the three-read process. It becomes effective immediately as soon as council approves because it is an appropriation ordinance.

Thirdly, is Resolution 2025-R-07. This resolution grants consent to Columbia Gas access to certain streets and right-aways, in order to relocate gas lines. Columbia Gas requested to have something in writing allowing them to do the work and legislation was the easiest way to do that. The village added that lines have to be at least five feet from the pavement and all work will be at the cost of the utility company. This also has emergency language.

The fourth piece of legislation is Resolution 2025-R-08. This allows the mayor to submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works grants for transportation and improvements. This grant money would be earmarked for paving projects if approved by council.

Fiscal Officer's Report

Fiscal Officer's Report for Council
October 14, 2025

- Updated copy of Delinquent bills at the end of September, 2025, total of \$12,061.47 which includes the two customers that have been placed on taxes. There are 41 delinquent customers. Customers that have not paid by the due date for delinquent bills will receive a tag on their door for shut-off. They have until 11:00 a.m. the following day to get their account up to date. Current dates for due date/tag/shut-off are updated monthly on the Penalty Transaction Log received the evening of council meetings. Attached is copy of updated payments.
- Each member has a report for September, 2025 for R.I.T.A.
- Attended Safety Council Meeting Tuesday, October 14, 2025.
- Will attend the CBA meeting on Wednesday, October 22, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.
- There will be a Sewer Construction meeting on Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor's Report

- Trick-or-Treat is the 30th from 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
- Newsletters are being sent out, check your emails.
- Greenfield Township Trustees have not responded about the HVAC for the Carroll Civic Center.

Old Business

None

New Business

Will Burns brought up the wage increase for Fiscal Officer Crystal Roberts. Will Burns made a motion for a 4% increase in agreement with the other members of the Finance Committee, seconded by Kevin Rinehart, discussion was made.

Will Burns stated he recommends more than a 4% increase because of all she does and being passed over last year for the same amount as the police department. He stated she is worth it and it is nice to have a loyal local employee. He recommended 7% and anyone can choose to amend the 4% if they choose too. Adam Tippettt stated that with everything she does for the village on and off the clock, along with always being available during events and offers a hand, he would recommend 5 ½% raise.

Adam Tippettt made a motion to amend Will Burns 4% and increase to 5 ½%, seconded by Will Burns, roll call was all in favor.

Will Burns informed council of the 6% increase in sewer and water rates that the Finance Committee discussed and recommends. The 6% increase is what is usually recommend every year. 3% of the 6% covers what the county increases every year and then the other 3% would cover costs. Will believes the increase should be higher, at least in the water department, in order to cover any emergency that may arise, there is not enough in the funds to cover emergencies.

Will Burns made a motion for a 7 ½% increase in water and sewer rates, seconded by Adam Tippettt, discussion was made; Adam Tippettt stated that he had requested the information for different rate amounts as a point of reference. This vote is just to have the solicitor prepare the ordinance; it can be amended if need be. Roll call was 2 yays and 4 nays; motion failed.

Adam Tippettt made a new motion to increase the water and sewer rates by 3% standard because of the county's increase, seconded by Shelly Squibb. Discussion was made; Will asked only 3% for both? Adam Tippettt replied, yes, in order to get legislation prepared behind it. Kevin Rinehart asked 3% for water and sewer? Shelly Squibb stated, yes that is what Fairfield Utilities raises it every year. Will Burns asked; so you came up with 3% just because that's what the county raises it? Adam Tippettt stated, yes this is a motion just to get legislation prepared. Will stated you are basing that 3% on just because that is what the county came up with? Adam stated, yes and this is just to get legislation prepared. Will stated he understands that, but you're basing that 3% on there is no increase in costs except for what the county charges. Adam stated, yes. Will stated, ok just wanted to make that clear, it's not reality, but just wanted to make it clear. Roll call was 5 yays and one nay.

Will Burns stated that the 1520 Ford Tractor with a loader on it is not running well. His understanding is that it is on its last adjustment for the clutch. Should we get that fixed before have to load salt on it, or wait until it doesn't work? The mayor stated it needs to go to either Service or Finance meeting to discuss it. There has already been a conversation stating that the village administrator needs to get rid of broken equipment and replace it.

Will asked if the leaf machine was still down? The fiscal officer stated, yes. Will asked if it needed repaired, replaced, needs parts? The fiscal officer stated that the village administrator was going to let her know about ordering parts, but hasn't heard anything yet. The mayor stated he would ask more tomorrow.

Shelly Squibb asked who made the decision to hire a contractor to fix the leak at 77 E Canal Street? The fiscal officer stated James made the decision. The mayor stated it was required for concrete to be broke up. Shelly asked if James was not able to do that on his own, or does he have to have a license to do that? Adam Tippettt stated it was probably the equipment. The mayor said it might be a better question to ask James.

Workplace Banking was discussed at the finance meeting. No motion was needed to add this to the village's account, but all of council agreed it was ok. Workplace Banking gives extra perks to the employees of the village if they bank at People's Bank.

Will would like all the ordinances stamped with all the yays and nays, that way you don't have to go back to the minutes to see who made the motion and how it was voted on.

Motion

None

Ordinances

First Read

2025-09

**AN ORDINANCE GIVING THE VILLAGE'S CONSENT TO THE
PLOWING OF SNOW UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE FAIRFIELD
COUNTY ENGINEER AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY**

- Will Burns made a motion to bypass committee, seconded by Adam Tippettt, roll call was all in favor.
- Adam Tippettt made a motion to bypass the three-read rule, seconded by Will Burns, roll call was all in favor.
- Adam Tippettt made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-09, seconded by Shelly Squibb, roll call was all in favor.

*Discussion by Adam Tippettt. Adam requested we do the ordinance in advance in order to do three reads. Solicitor Jeff Feyko stated that the county always sends it over at the last minute. Adam would like it put on the calendar for next year as a reminder to do it early next year.

2025-10

**TEMPORARY ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE OF THE
VILLAGE OF CARROLL, OHIO, FOR 2026**

Second Read

Third Read

Resolutions

First Read

2025-R-7

A RESOLUTION GRANTING CONSENT TO COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO TO ACCESS CERTAIN VILLAGE OF CARROLL STREETS AND RIGHTS OF WAY IN ORDER TO RELOCATE GAS LINES, AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY

- Adam Tippet made a motion to bypass committee, seconded by Shelly Squibb, roll call was all in favor.
- Adam Tippet made a motion to bypass the three-read rule, seconded by Kevin Rinehart, roll call was all in favor.
- Adam Tippet made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-R-7, seconded by Shelly Squibb, roll call was all in favor.

*Discussion was made. Will Burns updated council stating that Columbia Gas is going to relocate the gas line and will be eight feet off the pavement instead of the five feet. Also, they will not be relocating it until around February 2026, he's not sure why it would take them that long to relocate such a short line, but that's the timeline. Kevin asked what streets were involved? Will stated Water Street back to Beaver Street. Adam Tippet asked if this ordinance covers anytime, or just this situation? Will stated just these particular streets. Adam Tippet read Section 1 on the resolution stating which streets are covered.

2025-R-8

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED, AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY

- Adam Tippet made a motion to bypass committee, seconded by Kevin Rinehart, roll call was all in favor.
- Adam Tippet made a motion to bypass the three-read rule, seconded by Shelly Squibb, roll call was all in favor.
- Adam Tippet made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-R-8, seconded by Shelly Squibb, roll call was all in favor.

*Discussion made. Adam stated that this a resolution for the mayor to apply for the grant, so if we get it then its free money. Will stated it's not completely free, the village has to match funds. The solicitor stated that the reason for the emergency is there is a deadline to apply for the grant. We don't have to accept it if awarded. Will asked if it had to be spent right away? He would like to wait until JLD is done with the Phase 3 Sewer Project. Kenny stated that the park grant was separate from the street paving grant.

Tabled

Executive Session

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 11, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no other business before council, Adam Tippet made a motion to adjourn, roll call was all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Crystal L. Roberts Fiscal Officer

Preston M. Barringer, Mayor