

CITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 26

The City of Germantown Council met in regular session on March 2, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the city building Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mayor Terry Johnson, Mr. Jeffrey Jones, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Rick Reed, Mr. Robert Rettich IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mrs. Bonnie Koogler was absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Scott Davies, Law Director; Fire Chief Alldred; Fire Chief Forrer; Pat Shivley, Finance Director; Mike Roseberry, Property Maintenance; Mindy Calahan, Property Maintenance; Will Parsons, Community Relations Manager; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council, and several visitors.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION:

Mayor Johnson presented Mr. Dupps with a certificate of appreciation for their 90 years of successful business and many years of dedication to the Germantown Community. Mr. Dupps thanked everyone for their support over the years.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

Lori Kennedy and Nate Mundy with the Montgomery County Recorder's Office reviewed the current programs that benefit the residents of Germantown and encourage residents to reach out if they need any assistance. They provided information for residents also.

Steven Abshire wanted to introduce himself to Council and the residents of Germantown. He is running for a vacant judge seat with Montgomery County and asked for Germantown's support.

Jake Stubbs, German Township Trustee, reviewed the upcoming 250th Birthday of America celebration. This project would consist of planting an American elm tree at the Germantown Cemetery with a plaque honoring the 250th Birthday. He is looking for donors to help purchase the tree and plaque.

Glen Bowman, Germantown Lions Club, invited the community to the Lions Club Pancake Breakfast on March 28. This event will be held at the Germantown Senior Center. Donations for the breakfast will help purchase the Wreaths Across America that takes place at the Germantown Cemetery, each year.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mrs. Gilleland thanked the Service Department for their hard work removing the snow. They also had several other issues with the frigid temperatures. They did an excellent job dealing with water main breaks while in freezing temperatures. Our Fire/EMS and Police worked very hard during the frigid temperatures, and all did an excellent job for our community.

She congratulated the Dupps Company for celebrating 90 years of successful business in Germantown. She thanked them for their years of generous support on various projects.

She thanked Fire Chief Dan Alldred for his 43 years of dedicated service to the city. He will be greatly missed by his crew, staff, the city residents and the Germantown Township residents. We wish him a healthy and happy retirement.

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She announced that there is several America 250th Birthday events throughout the city. We will post all of them on Facebook and our website as they are shared with us.

The renovation of the Historical Covered Bridge will begin at the end of the month. This project has taken decades to get organized and funded and we look forward to its completion.

City Staff has completed their Goal Setting for the year and there is a lot of work ahead of them. A lot of progress will take place in each department over the next few months. We are also working on a more sophisticated capital budget process that will align our capital projects with funding.

Pat Shievely reviewed the proposed legislation that is on the agenda. Most items are done on a regular basis to comply with current regulations. Making banks our depository and transfer of funds are on the consent agenda. Under introduction is a pass-through charge from Rumpke and under public hearing is the amending of the appropriations.

Chief Alldred stated that the legislation on the agenda is to declare the Fire Engine as surplus property. It has been in service for approximately 28 years, and we now have our new engine that is working great.

Chief Alldred went on to thank everyone. He has enjoyed his years with the city.

CLERK'S REPORT:

None.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Johnson congratulated the Dupps Company on their 90th anniversary.

He congratulated Chief Alldred on his retirement and thanked him for his 43 years of dedicated service to the City and German Township.

He is excited to see the Covered Bridge Project underway and then completed. This project has taken years to get done.

He thanked the visitors that spoke tonight from Montgomery County. We appreciate you taking the time out to visit Germantown.

He welcomed the new board and commission members that we will be appointing during the Consent Agenda.

He attended the Mayors and Managers Meeting on February 11.

He attended the Parks Board Meeting on February 4. They discussed the budget and the upcoming year. The next MMI meeting will be in March.

He sent his condolences to the Zimmerman Family. Terri worked in our Police Department for many years and was a good friend.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Mr. Jones's Report:

Mr. Jones congratulated Chief Alldred on his retirement. He thanked him for his many years of service.

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He plans to attend the MVRPC next month. His teaching schedule has not allowed him to attend for a few months.

Mr. Kuhn's Report:

Mr. Kuhn attended the Economic Development Meeting. It included many interesting topics including Destination Dayton. The Galentine's Day Event went very well in February.

He congratulated Chief Alldred on his retirement. He is an amazing person, and the city is losing a great employee.

He thanked the Dupps Company for their years of support and congratulated them on their 90 years of successful years of business.

Mr. Reed's Report:

Mr. Reed stated that CBC met on February 9.

He announced that the Pool Board met on February 18. They discussed pool passes, the joint efforts with the city and the Village of Farmersville. There is a delay in the installation of the new waterslide, but we are hoping to have it completed by opening day.

He thanked Chief Alldred for his years of service and wished him well in his upcoming retirement.

Mr. Rettich's Report:

Mr. Rettich stated that the Planning Commission did not meet last month due to lack of agenda items.

He thanked Chief Alldred for his years of dedicated service to the city.

Mr. Wafzig's Report:

Mr. Wafzig congratulated Chief Alldred on his retirement. He thanked him for his years of service.

He attended the MVCC meeting on February 18. They discussed TCSU and the MVL contract.

He thanked the guests from Montgomery County for visiting us tonight. It is always good to see County Staff visit us.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. February 2, 2026-Regular Session Meeting Minutes
2. February 2, 2026-Work Session Meeting Minutes
3. Appointment to the Park Board (Term Expires December 31, 2029)
Dominic Lambert
4. Appointment to the Park Board (Term Expires December 31, 2028)
Kade Frizzell
5. Appointment to the City Beautiful Commission (Term Expires December 31, 2026) Michelle McBride
6. Appointment to the City Beautiful Commission (Term Expires December 31, 2026) Marjorie Tarpley
7. RESOLUTION NO. 26-03

A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GERMANTOWN AS A PUBLIC DEPOSITORY FOR THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT FOR ACTIVE, INTERIM AND/OR INACTIVE PUBLIC FUNDS WITH FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GERMANTOWN.

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8. RESOLUTION NO. 26-04
A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK AS A PUBLIC DEPOSITORY FOR THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT FOR ACTIVE, INTERIM AND/OR INACTIVE PUBLIC FUNDS WITH FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK.
9. RESOLUTION NO. 26-05
A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET FUND, STORMWATER FUND, STREET CAPITAL FUND, POLICE LEVY FUND, PARK FUND, CREEK BANK EROSION, AND MMI FUND.
10. RESOLUTION NO. 26-07
A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SELL SAID PROPERTY.

MOTION: Mr. Wafzig moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mr. Kuhn, abstain; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 5-yes, 1-abstention. MOTION CARRIED.

LEGISLATION:

INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 25-06 (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN FEES BY \$0.06 PER HOUSEHOLD PER MONTH FOR GENERATION CHARGES WITH RUMPKE OF OHIO, INC., FOR SOLID WASTE AND CURBSIDE SERVICES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026.

Mayor Johnson stated the Public Hearing would be April 6, 2026.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 26-02 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 25-60 APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 26-02.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to excuse Mrs. Koogle.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Rettich moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Terry Johnson
Mayor