

Bremen Village Council

Council Meeting Minutes October 13, 2025

5:30 P.M.

Meeting called order October 13, 2025 by Mayor A. Taylor at 5:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Mayor Taylor- Aye, Councilman Tripp-Absent, Councilwoman Schmeltzer-Aye, Councilwoman Graham-Aye, Councilwoman Bailor-Aye, Councilman Cline-Aye.

Employees: L. Coakley, T. Achenbach, T. Mullett and B. Robinette.

Guests: DJ Jakala, Jimmy Patrick, Tazz Ashbaugh and Amanda Cook.

Business of Guests: DJ Jakala spoke for Fairfield County small business administration (Disaster Recovery) low interest loans and mitigation loans for residents and businesses affected by recent flooding.

J. Patrick would like Council members to adopt an Ordinance making Bremen APV friendly. He gave information on where to get the APV's inspected and getting the correct plates.

T. Ashbaugh in the form of a Village resident spoke on his task as an Ohio State Highway patrolman, that he is not targeting side-by-sides. The ones he has pulled over have been to check for ownership, legality and to educate drivers of the ORC pertaining to the use of side-by-side vehicles. The use of APV's on state highways is illegal no matter the Village or Township ordinance and is a mandatory 3 days in jail, he stated that he would have leniency on the section between Dollar General and Rushcreek Pub and Grub (Broad Street), that does not mean other Officers will do the same. He suggested that APV friendly signage be posted at Village limits once the Ordinance is in place, also to notify local Sheriff offices and State Highway Patrol. Council will consider and possibly pass as an emergency.

A. Cook would like the village to consider installing a BMX / Skatepark within the village for children to have something to do. She spoke of several companies that are willing to help with materials, labor and donations and she said she could start a raffle or possibly get sponsors to help.

J. Cline wants the council to consider a later meeting time, possibly 6 P.M. so that more people are able to attend. This has been tabled until January 2026 and can be changed with the Rules of Council.

Mayor's Report:

Motion to approve September 08, 2025 meeting minutes: N. Bailor **Second:** J. Cline

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to pass September 17, 2025 Special Council Meeting minutes: N Bailor Second: J. Cline

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to pass October 07, 2025 Special Council Meeting minutes: J. Schmeltzer Second: N. Bailor

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Administrator's Report:

Marietta Street drainage and paving project: Pipe and material arrived October 13, 2025.

Broad Street sidewalks: Conduit for lighting tentatively begins October 27,2025.

Leaf pickup is on hold because of machine malfunction and parts have been ordered.

Fire hydrant on Marietta Street: The village is paying a contractor to install the hydrant due to a gas line in proximity.

Mulberry Street right of way: \$3,200.00 for easement survey to be certified, engineer is working on this.

Police: Two separate agreements in the works to contract with Pleasantville Police Department.

Swimming pool: Has been winterized.

Howell Park restrooms are winterized and closed for the season.

Council Committee Reports:

Finance Report: Councilman J. Cline- September 24, 2025 minutes approved.

Planning & Zoning: Councilman B. Bunting– October 7, 2025 minutes approved.

Administrative Process: Councilwoman N. Bailor– No meeting.

Safety & Infrastructure: Councilman T. Tripp – No meeting.

Tree Board: Councilman T. Tripp – No meeting.

Park and Pool: Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer – No meeting.

Motion to accept minutes as presented by Committees:

Motion: J. Schmeltzer Second: J. Cline

Finance:

Finance meeting for October 22, 2025 is canceled.

October bank reconciliation approved.

Payment listing for the months of September and October 2025 approved.

Revenue/Appropriations reports for October approved.

Regular Blanket Certificate 33-2025 approved.

Regular Blanket Certificate 34-2025 approved.

Regular Blanket Certificate 35-2025 approved.

Regular Purchase Order 109-2025 approved.

Regular Purchase Order 110-2025 approved.

Regular Purchase Order 111-2025 approved.

Old Business:

Motion to pass Resolution 2025-4-R-A (Authorizing and Directing the Village Administrator and Fiscal Officer to execute a First Amendment to the agreement for Water services with the Village of Rushville):
J. Schmeltzer Second: N. Bailor

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to pass First Amendment to the Agreement for the Provision of Water Services for the Village of Rushville: K. Graham Second: N. Bailor

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to pass Ordinance 2025-15-O (Ordinance to repeal Ordinance 900 and thereby end the Village of Bremen's commitment to service the Village of Rushville potable water system: J. Schmeltzer Second: J. Cline

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Second reading Ordinance 2025-18-O (Annual Appropriations).

New Business:

Motion to pass Resolution 2025-7-R as an emergency (Authorizing the Mayor to prepare and submit an application for OPWC): N. Bailor Second: J. Schmeltzer

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to pass Resolution 2025-7-R (Authorizing the Mayor to prepare and submit an application for OPWC): J. Schmeltzer Second: N. Bailor

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to pass Resolution 2025-8-R (Land and Water Conservation) as an emergency: J. Schmeltzer Second: K. Graham

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to pass Resolution 2025-8-R (Land and Water Conservation): J. Cline Second: N. Bailor

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

First reading for Resolution 2025-9-R (Establish prices and fees for the Village of Bremen for WWTP Contractor).

Motion to pass Ordinance 2025-19-O as an emergency (setting costs for Certificate of Registration fee and Construction permit fees for ROW): K. Graham Second: N. Bailor.

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to pass Ordinance 2025-19-O (setting costs for Certificate of Registration fee and Construction permit fees for ROW): J. Cline Second: J. Schmeltzer

Motion to pass Resolution 2025-10-R as an emergency (Accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Fairfield County Budget Commission and authorizing necessary tax levies): Motion: J. Cline Second: N. Bailor

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to pass Resolution 2025-10-R (Accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Fairfield County Budget Commission and Authorizing necessary tax levies): K. Graham Second: J. Schmeltzer

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to go into executive session at 7:26 P.M.: K. Graham Second: J. Schmeltzer

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Executive Session:

Executive Session 121.22 (G)(1). To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of changes or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing. Except as otherwise provided by law, no public body shall hold an executive session for the discipline of an elected official for conduct related to the performance of the elected official's official duties or for the elected official's removal from office. If a public body holds an executive session pursuant to division (G)(1) of this section, the motion and vote to hold that executive session shall state which one or more of the approved purposes listed in division (G)(1) of this section are the purposes for the executive session is to be held, but need not include the name of any person to be considered at the meeting.

Motion to come out of Executive session at 8:12 P.M.: J. Cline Second: K. Graham

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

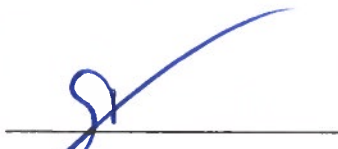
**Motion to give Richard Campbell \$1.00 an hour annual raise for December 22, 2025 - January 4, 2026
Payroll: J. Cline Second: J. Graham**

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

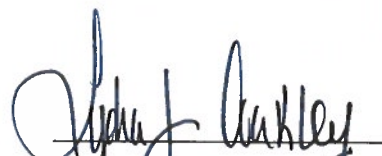
**Motion to give Lydia Coakley \$4.00 an hour annual raise for December 22, 2025 - January 4, 2026
Payroll: J. Cline Second: N. Bailor**

Roll Call: Councilman T. Tripp -Absent, Councilwoman J. Schmeltzer -Aye, Councilwoman K. Graham -Aye, Councilwoman N. Bailor -Aye, Councilman J. Cline-Aye.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:14 P.M.: N. Bailor Second: J. Schmeltzer



Anthony M. Taylor
Mayor



Lydia J. Coakley
Fiscal Officer



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November 10, 2025 Village of Bremen Council Meeting sign in sheet.

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2. *Mary Hoffman*
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