

Village of Hanover
Planning & Development Meeting Minutes
August 12th, 2026

President David Molnar called the Village of Hanover Planning & Development Meeting to order at 5:30PM

Roll call:

Dave Molnar-Present Bob Meister-Absent
Stephanie Hancock-Present Jim Vogel-Present
Bill Sweeney-Present

Additional People Present:

Rex Adkins-Present
Mayor Hale-Present

Meeting Minutes Approval:

The minutes of the July 8th, 2026 meeting were reviewed, with no changes or additions Sweeney motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Vogel, all ayes.

Visitors/Guest:

- None

Zoning Update:

- Zoning Permit Application Received Year to Date: 38
- Zoning Permit Issued Year to Date: 20
- Code Complaints Year to Date: 17
- Code Complaints Open: 12
- Code Complaints Closed: 5

Notice of Violations sent to property owners:

- 118 Duane summary letter sent reference the multiple zoning & code violations at the property. Update: July-Property owner submitted permit application for fence. August-Property owner still has not complied with permit application procedures to complete the process.
- 2288 W. High St. 3 zoning violation notices sent out to property owner reference failure to obtain permits. Update: July- Property owners submitted 4 permit applications. August-Property owners have failed to complete the application process.
- 259 New Home zoning violation notice sent to property owner for failing to obtain a permit for fence. Update: August-Contract submitted application, but has failed to complete the process and completed fence work without an approved permit.
- 714 Colby Way code violation notice sent to property owner about removing trash & rubbish from exterior of property. Update: August-property checked and trash & rubbish removed, still monitoring for issues.

- 154 New Home zoning violation notice sent to property owners reference garage being located on neighboring property. Update: August-property owner has been working with an attorney who was in contact with Lodge's attorney to obtain to resolve the issue. Village attorney updated on situation.

Items for Discussion:

- Working on annual review of the Zoning Code regulations. Update: July-review meeting occurred and approximately 30 items were discussed for amends to the zoning code and development standards. August-revisions draft should be completed
- Final Hainsview Phase 5 Stormwater Ditch letters sent out to residents from ADR report;
 - 14 letters of compliance sent to advise residents that their ditches were now in compliance and no additional actions were needed.
 - 9 letters of non-compliance sent to advise residents that their ditches were still not in compliance and they had until July 1st to come into compliance after that the issue would be referred to the Village's law firm for additional legal remedies to resolve the issue and bring the property into compliance.
 - Update: July- 2 property owners working with an attorney to go after the builder to fix the culvert issue/1 property owner submitted additional documentation reference work that was done on the ditch to address the issues & being reviewed by Village Engineer / 1 property owner is saying the builder advised them they followed what Village said reference culvert pipe size. August- 4 properties given to Village Attorney to address with property owners / 1 property Village will address the culvert issue, spoke to property owner to explain what has and will occur / 2 additional compliance letters sent out

Village Planner Update:

- First reading of legislation is tonight to establish the Village of Hanover Planning Commission. This will create a more formalized process that aligns with Ohio Revised Code. Biggest change will be roles and structures.
- Zoning Code draft updates are completed and ready for review after the annual review. Ready for the legislation to be created and read at the next Council meeting.
- Upon the return of Village Engineer, Sam need to schedule a meeting

New/Unfinished Business:

- Mayor Hale had a meeting with new LV Superintendent, Paul Smathers. A topic of discussion was the roundabout at Hainsview Dr. put in and fast tracked. Mayor relayed that ODOT stated they would not fund the project because the traffic concern is related to the school and not the Village. Mr. Smathers stated his wife works at ODOT and he would do what he could to make it happen.

Current Operations/Projects:

- After discussion with the Mayor regarding concerns of the Licking County/City of Newark Water Project, President Molnar called Ryan with Licking County Water to relay the concern on behalf of the Village.

- A lot of standing water and mud on High Street after recent rain due to drainage from Water Project construction and improper drainage. Mayor Hale exchanged several texts and calls with Jacob Brooks at Structurepoint stressing the severity of this. Response from Mr. Brooks stated erosion & silt control conditions are the responsibility of the contractor, that the Mayor or the Village should not be spending time documenting and reporting on their behalf. Mr. Brooks also stated that if the Village is concerned of MS4 Permit violations, the owner and County may need to bring some kind of notice of violation to the contractor, if the contractor did not comply after the violation notice, a stop work order would be the next step. Mayor Hale also spoke with Harley at Licking County Soil & Water, they will be out to do a new assessment of all the areas that have been exposed. The new assessment will be compared to what was provided to Miller Pipeline last month to determine what has or has not been resolved. Pending assessment from LCWS, will determine what next steps for the Village are.

Hancock made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vogel at 6:29PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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President, David Molnar

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Fiscal Officer, Zoe Moran