

**Village Of Castalia**  
**April 28, 2026**  
**Meeting Minutes**

The Village of Castalia Council met in Regular Session on April 28, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village of Castalia Hall located at 126 Main Street, Castalia, Ohio. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Johnson with the following in attendance: Si Nicholson, Jake Smith, Cindy Crawford. Financial Consultant Diane Schaefer was in attendance. Fiscal Officer Kathy Niehm was in attendance. Barb Weyer and Georgia Artrip were absent.

**Mr. Nicholson Made a Motion to Excuse Barb Weyer and Georgia Artrip from the meeting. Mrs. Crawford seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous.**

**Mr. Nicholson Made a Motion to Approve the 4/14/2026 Minutes. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.**

**Mr. Smith Made a Motion to Approve the Finance Report Dated 4/26/2026. Mrs. Crawford seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.**

**Mr. Nicholson Made a Motion to Approve the Warrants Dated 4/26/2026. Mrs. Crawford seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.**

**Mr. Smith Made a Motion to Accept the Receipts Dated 4/13/2026-4/26/2026. Mrs. Crawford seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.**

Mayor Johnson stated bids were received for the Lucas Street paving project from 7L for \$74,998 and Erie Blacktop for \$69,791. Due to two members of Council not present there will be no decision made on the paving project tonight.

There was a discussion on the Business District in the Village. Mr. Biglin stated two signs will be installed; one North of the bank and the other South of Depot Street.

Mr. Biglin stated he spoke with the Margareta Township Trustees regarding paving of Pfeil Lane and the Township can pave the street for \$36,000 compared to \$57,000 from a recent quote. Mr. Biglin suggested Lucas Street needs paving first and do Pfeil Lane next year.

Zoning Inspector Tom Johnson stated he had two violations done and will do more tomorrow.

Fiscal Officer Kathy Niehm stated she was able to close the Covid account and file the final report.

Mayor Johnson stated ODOT informed him of being cautious installing bollards at the old Citgo station. Mayor Johnson will contact legal counsel in regards to the matter.

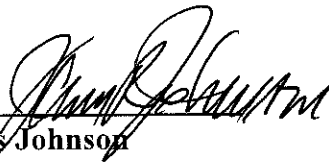
Mayor Johnson stated the election is next Tuesday. Tom Johnson stated he will clean on Monday in the Village Hall.

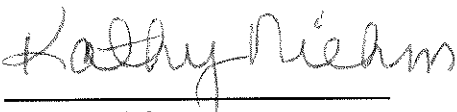
Mr. Nicholson asked why the Ohio Edison bill was so high. Ms. Niehm stated the Village has several accounts.

Mr. Biglin stated the tree out front of Village Hall is split, he will see what can be done to save the tree.

Mr. Lowery, 711 Main Street, stated he is cleaning his property and the family has had medical issues. Mayor Johnson informed him to contact the Zoning Inspector. Mr. Lowery stated he is having someone come and remove the articles from his property and he would have more information in two weeks.

**With no further business to come before the Council. Mr. Nicholson Made a Motion to adjourn. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.**

  
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**James Johnson**  
**Mayor**

  
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**Kathy Niehm**  
**Fiscal Officer**