

Batavia Village Council
Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 23, 2026

Call to Order

Pledge

Roll Call of Members Present

Mr. Owens Mrs. Zagar Mr. Dorsey Mr. Gardner Mr. Smith Mr. Staton

Village Officials Attending Meeting

Mayor Runck, Fiscal Officer Russell, Solicitor Moore, Chief Williams, Zoning Administrator
Stewart, Public Works Superintendent Smith

Others Attending Meeting **Mike Minnecar, Bill Albright**

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the Batavia Village Council. General for a special meeting. Monday, March 23rd, 2026. This is the Call of Order.

Mr. Moore, spoke about ordinance 1560-26, if it were tabled and remain tabled. That is the reason for tonight's special meeting. I want everyone to be aware of that. It's not often that I get up and say, gee whiz, I made a mistake, but I do believe you should own those mistakes at all times. To everyone in council, I apologize to everyone, who's here for a special meeting, otherwise, I apologize.

Thank you, Mr. Moore.

Roll call. Mr. Owens, are you here? I just went, this is this roll call, sir. Mrs. Zagar? Here. Mr. Dorsey, here, Mr. Gardner, here Mr. Smith? here Mr. Sting? here

Motion to remove tabled Ordinance 1560-26 from February 9, 2026 council meeting

By: **Mr. Staton** Seconded by: **Mr. Gardner** Vote on motion: **6-0**

Vote: Mr. Owens **Y** Mrs. Zagar **Y** Mr. Dorsey **Y** Mr. Gardner **Y** Mr. Smith **Y** Mr. Staton **Y**

Mr. Gardner has asked for discussion. Council discussed the Ordinance 1560-26

Motion to adopt 1560-26

By: **Mr. Gardner** Seconded by: **Mr. Smith** Vote on motion: **1-5**

Vote: Mr. Owens **No** Mrs. Zagar **No** Mr. Dorsey **No** Mr. Gardner **Yes** Mr. Smith **No** Mr. Staton **No**

Motion passed/failed by a vote of: **failed**

Village of Batavia - Ordinance 1560-26

An Ordinance Accepting the Annexation Petition Filed by Beachs Trees Selective Harvesting LLC and Runway Storage LLC of 29.884. from Batavia Township to the Village of Batavia

WHEREAS, a petition seeking annexation of approximately 29.884 acres of land situated in Batavia Township to the Village of Batavia was filed with the Clermont County Board of County Commissioners on February 26, 2024, by Beachs Trees Selective Harvesting LLC and Runway Storage LLC for annexation; and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2025, Resolution 183-25 was passed by the Clermont County Board of Commissioners to adopt Resolution 183-25 granting the said annexation; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 709.04 requires that the legislative authority of the municipal corporation to which the annexation is proposed shall by resolution or ordinance, accept or reject the Petition for Annexation;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the Village of Batavia, Clermont County, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1.

The Village of Batavia hereby accepts the Petition for Annexation filed with the Clermont County Board of Commissioners on December 10, 2025, by Beachs Trees Selective Harvesting LLC and Runway Storage LLC.

SECTION 2.

The Annexation Plat accompanying the Board's Resolution shall be, and hereby is, incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference as if fully written herein. The corporate boundary lines for the Village of Batavia shall be amended to comport with the Annexation Plat.

SECTION 3.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency Ordinance which is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, welfare, and safety of the Village of Batavia and for the reason that time is of the essence because this Ordinance must be adopted by the Village

ADOPTED: _____

Attest: _____

Charles Scott Runck, Mayor

F. Justin Russell, Fiscal Officer

Mr. Russell Fiscal Officer Good evening, Village of Batavia, residents, council, I needed to amend the appropriations that we approved last meeting two weeks ago with the county. I'd like to declare this

an emergency, and waive the three readings to show the correct reflections in UAN and amend for the year appropriations with the county.

Second. Mr. Staton

Mr. Dorsey? Yes Mr. Owens? Yes Mrs. Zagar? Yes. Mr. Gardner? Yes. Mr. Smith? Yes.

Ordinance 1564-26

1st Reading Declare an emergency and waive the three readings

**Village of Batavia - Ordinance 1564-26 – by emergency
Adopt 2026 Full-Year Appropriations Amended**

WHEREAS, the Village Council is required to make appropriations for current expenses and other, anticipated expenditures for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2026, and

Whereas, the Village Council wishes to adopt appropriations and set the legal level of control at the Fund Level.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Batavia, County of Clermont, State of Ohio, that to provide for the following current expenses and other, anticipated expenditures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, the following sums be and are hereby set aside and appropriated as follows:

The amended appropriations here are attached as Exhibit A

Motion to declare an emergency and waive the three readings:

By: **Mr. Smith** Seconded by: **Mr. Staton** Vote on motion: **6-0**

Vote: Mr. Owens **Yes** Mrs. Zagar **Yes** Mr. Dorsey **Yes** Mr. Gardner **Yes** Mr. Smith **Yes** Mr. Staton **Yes**

Motion to adopt 1564-26 to reflect current revenue budget

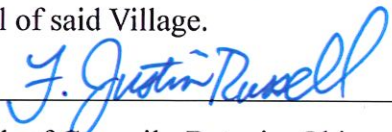
By: **Mr. Smith** Seconded by: **Mr. Staton** Vote on motion: **6-0**

Vote: Mr. Owens **Yes** Mrs. Zagar **Yes** Mr. Dorsey **Yes** Mr. Gardner **Yes** Mr. Smith **Yes** Mr. Staton **Yes**

Motion passed/failed by a vote of: _____

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I, F. Justin Russell, Clerk of the Council of the Village of Batavia do hereby **CERTIFY** that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of ORDINANCE 1560-26 passed by Council of said Village on April 13, 2026 and recorded in the official journal of said Village.



Clerk of Council Batavia, Ohio

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: by **Mr. Gardner** seconded by: **Mr. Smith**

Meeting adjourned at **6:45 PM**

Approval of Meeting Minutes March 23, 2026



C. Scott Runck, Mayor



F. Justin Russell, Fiscal Office