



NEWTON FALLS CITY COUNCIL  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
 Wednesday, September 2, 2026; 6:00 PM  
 COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
 612 WEST BROAD STREET

| CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Ward 1               | Brian Kropp    |
| Ward 2               | Brian Axiotis  |
| Ward 3               | Robert Burke   |
| Ward 4               | Kevin Rufener  |
| At - Large           | Julie Stimpert |
| Mayor                | David Hanson   |

| CITY ADMINISTRATION |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| City Manager        | Jeremy Shaffer      |
| Law Director        | Gary L. VanBrocklin |
| Finance Director    | Pamela Hileman      |
| Clerk of Council    | Kathleen M King     |
| Police Chief        | John Barco          |

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance / Silent Prayer**

**III. Roll Call**

**IV. Changes To Tonight's Agenda**

**V. Special Presentations by Staff Members or Invited Consultants**

**VI. Public Comments (Agenda Items Only)**

**VII. Reports**

Mayor  
 Council Members  
 Law Director  
 City Manager

**VIII. Approval of Previous Minutes**

August 5, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes  
 August 13, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes  
 August 19, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes

**IX. Public Hearings**

**ORDINANCE 2026-38**

Sponsors: Stimpert, Kropp

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A  
 CONTRACT FOR STREET REPAIRS AND WATER MAIN REPAIRS.

**ORDINANCE 2026-39**

Sponsors: Kropp, Axiotis

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2024-27, WHICH ESTABLISHED A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS AND CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY FOR BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, USES, OR CHANGES OF USE THAT WOULD ENABLE THE CULTIVATION, PROCESSING, OR RETAIL SALE OF RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF NEWTON FALLS.

**ORDINANCE 2026-40**

Sponsors: Axiotis, Stimpert

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2026-26 BY ADDING A POSITION.

**X. Unfinished Business**

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**ORDINANCE 2026-40**

Sponsors: Axiotis, Stimpert

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2026-26 BY ADDING A POSITION.

**XI. New Business**

**ORDINANCE 2026-41**

Sponsors: Kropp, Axiotis

AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 115: "PUBLIC RECORDS", IN THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-42**

Sponsors: Kropp, Axiotis

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND ENACTING SECTION 115.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-43**

Sponsors: Kropp, Axiotis

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND ENACTING SECTION 115.02: "DEFINITIONS" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-44**

Sponsors: Kropp, Axiotis

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND ENACTING SECTION 115.03: "RECORDS CUSTODIAN" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-45**

Sponsors: Kropp, Axiotis

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND ENACTING SECTION 115.04: "RECORDS REQUESTS" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-46**

Sponsors: Kropp, Rufener

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND ENACTING SECTION 115.05 "EMAIL" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-47**

Sponsors: Kropp, Rufener

AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 113 ENTITLED "CONTRACTS" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-48**

Sponsors: Kropp, Rufener

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND ENACTING NEW SECTION 113.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, INVALIDATING CERTAIN PROVISIONS IN CONTRACTS FOR GOODS, SERVICES, AND CONSTRUCTION WITH THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-49**

Sponsors: Kropp, Rufener

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND ENACTING NEW SECTION 113.02 OF THE NEWTON FALLS CODIFIED ORDINANCES, AUTHORIZING SINGLE-SOURCE PROCUREMENTS FOR SUPPLIES, SERVICES, OR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS BY THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-50**

Sponsors: Kropp, Rufener

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 133.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-51**

Sponsors: Kropp, Rufener

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 133.03 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS, OHIO.

**ORDINANCE 2026-52**

Sponsors: Kropp, Axiotis

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY TWELVE (12) MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT, EXPANSION, OR DEVELOPMENT OF DATA CENTERS, HIGH-DENSITY COMPUTING FACILITIES, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE COMPUTING FACILITIES, HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTING FACILITIES, SERVER FARMS, CRYPTOCURRENCY OR DIGITAL-ASSET MINING FACILITIES, AND SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR COMPUTING-INTENSIVE LAND USES; TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING CERTAIN MUNICIPAL LAND-USE, DEVELOPMENT, AND DISCRETIONARY UTILITY-SERVICE APPROVALS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH; DIRECTING A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE CITY'S ZONING, UTILITY, INFRASTRUCTURE, PUBLIC-SAFETY, AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**ORDINANCE 2026-53**

Sponsors: Council as a Whole

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE APPOINTING COREY A. SNOW TO THE POSITION OF FULL-TIME CITY CLERK/CLERK OF COUNCIL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**ORDINANCE 2026-54**

Sponsors: Burke, Rufener

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A PENDING LAWSUIT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**RESOLUTION 25-2026**

Sponsors: Kropp, Axiotis

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL DATE AND TIME FOR THE CITY OF NEWTON FALLS COMMUNITY TRICK-OR-TREAT

**XII. Public Comments****XIII. Closing Remarks****XIV. Motion to Enter into Executive Session (If Necessary)**

Motion to enter executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 121.22 (G)(3) to confer with the Law Director regarding pending or imminent litigation and confidential legal matters subject to attorney-client privilege and whereas upon completion of Executive Session, Council will return to open session. Action may or may not be taken by Council.

**XV. Adjournment**