Record of Proceedings
Special Village of Peninsula Council
Held: Monday, August 25, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Schneider called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Daniel Schneider, Jr.	Present	George Haramis	Present
Richard Slocum	Present	John Najeway	Present
Daniel Schneider	Present	Eliud Rosales	Absent
Douglas Steidl	Present		

OTHERS PRESENT: Solicitor Brad Bryan, OHM Advisors Representatives Tony Burgoyne and Josh Slaga

PURPOSE: The Mayor explained the purpose of the Special Meeting was to consider, adopt, and take action on matters related to the S.R. 303 & Sanitary Sewer Project funding applications and/or adopt Resolution No. 15-2025 and discuss, consider, and/or adopt a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement between the Village of Peninsula and Boston Township for Police Protection Services for the Years 2026, 2027, and 2028.

BUSINESS:

S.R. 303 & Sanitary Sewer Project Funding Applications and Actions; OHM

Tony Burgoyne described the details of and point system for the requested Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) ($1.5 million) and Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) ($2 million) grants for roadway, pedestrian, and safety improvements in the downtown business corridor. Mr. Burgoyne stated it is necessary for the Village to pass a Resolution authorizing OHM to file the OPWC grant on the Village's behalf in order for the application to be submitted by the September 12 deadline. The project scope includes roadway restoration and widening, two new signals and intersection improvements, sidewalk work, streetscape enhancements, and mid-block crossings. The estimated construction cost is $2.4 million. The total amount, including soft costs, contingencies, and construction administration costs, is estimated at just under $3.2 million. Mr. Burgoyne emphasized that if funding is secured, the Village will be required to retain and provide on-site construction administration services to protect the State's investment. Mr. Slocum asked if any money related to the Project had to be paid up front by the Village. Mr. Burgoyne stated no. He noted the legislation authorizes the Mayor to sign agreements related to the grants and provides permission to OHM to file the application on the Village's behalf and explained that the Village Fiscal Officer is required to certify the availability of funds for the non-OPWC portion contingency. He stated those funds do not need to currently be in the Village accounts but must be available if grants aren't secured. He stressed that while he feels positive about the chances of success for the grant applications, there is no guarantee. If the Village does not receive the grants, it is not required to proceed with the project. Mr. Burgoyne reported that he requested letters of support from local partners for the grant applications (the Conservancy, CVNP, Summit County, and Scenic Railroad) and clarified the Project is separate

from but complementary to the County's sewer project. Mr. Bryan noted that since the funding sources are from the State of Ohio rather than the federal government, the CVNP can provide a support letter. Mr. Najeway suggested getting a letter of support from the City of Akron from Emily Collins in the Mayor's office. Mr. Burgoyne also suggested that Village Council also provide a letter of support. Mr. Haramis questioned why that was necessary since it is a Village grant application. Mr. Burgoyne stated the support letter may result in the application receiving additional points and recommended that a letter be provided.

Resolution No. 15-2025
Sponsored by: Mayor Schneider
An Emergency Resolution Authorizing OHM Advisors and Jason Popiel, Senior Project Manager with OHM Advisors, to Prepare and Submit an Application to Participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program(s) on Behalf of the Village of Peninsula and Authorize Village Mayor Daniel Schneider, Jr. to Execute Any Required Contracts Under the OPWC Programs (First Reading)

Mr. Haramis made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Najeway to suspend the three-reading rule. Roll call vote: Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes; Mr. Steidl, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Councilperson Schneider, yes. The motion was approved. Mr. Najeway made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Steidl to pass the Resolution. Roll call vote: Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes; Mr. Steidl, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Councilperson Schneider, yes. The legislation was adopted.

Motion to Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Agreement Between the Village of Peninsula and Boston Township for Police Protection Services for the Years 2026, 2027, and 2028

Councilperson Schneider made the above motion that was seconded by Mr. Slocum. Roll call vote: Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes; Mr. Steidl, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Councilperson Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Slocum made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Schneider to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Councilperson Schneider, yes; Mr. Slocum, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Steidl, yes; Mr. Najeway, yes. The motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.
Respectfully submitted:

Daniel Schneider Jr., Mayor — 9-09-2025 Date

Katie Iaconis, Fiscal Officer — 9/9/2025 Date