

# RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 08-17

Date Passed 10/10 20 17

**TO AMEND COUNCIL RULE 9 BY AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION 03-12  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLYING WITH REVISED CODE SECTION 121.22  
AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code section 731.45 provides that the Village Council shall determine its own rules; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council last adopted its own Council Rules by its passage of Resolution 03-12; and

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code section 121.22 provides that the Village Council shall establish, by rule, a reasonable method that allows the public to determine the time, place, and purpose of special Council meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, Council Rule 9 is the current Council Rule addressing Council meeting requirements, and Council Rule 9 does not satisfy all the requirements of Ohio Revised Code section 121.22; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lithopolis Village Council, intending to be fully compliant with Ohio Revised Code section 121.22, desires to amend Council Rule 9 to provide for such compliance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF LITHOPOLIS, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO;**

Section 1. That Resolution 03-12 is hereby amended such that Rule 9 therein is deleted in its entirety and re-written to read as follows:

**"Rule 9—Meetings**

Smoking is prohibited at all times on Village property.

Regular meetings shall be held in the Council chambers of the town hall at 7:30pm official time, on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. A change in meeting time or place is subject to council action.

All Council meetings shall be adjourned no later than 10:30 p.m.

When any regular meeting of the Council falls due on a legal holiday, or on an election day, the Council shall meet in regular session on the day following at the stated place and hour.

Special meetings of the Council include any meetings that are not regular meetings. The public must be provided notice of the time, place, and specific purpose seven days in advance of any special meetings using all of the following methods.

- Notification provided to the Lancaster Eagle-Gazette newspaper
- Posted to the Village of Lithopolis webpage; lithopolis.org, under "Public Notices"
- Posted to the Village of Lithopolis Facebook page
- Posted to bulletin boards in the following locations
  - Wagnalls Memorial Library
  - Faler's Feed Store
  - Village of Lithopolis Post Office
  - Das Kaffeehaus
  - The Village Administrative Office

Persons interested in specific topics may request to be placed on a mailing list to be notified by mail of special meetings related to those topics if they provide self-addressed, stamped envelopes. Notices of special meetings will be provided to people on the topic specific mailing lists as long as the individuals' supply of self-addressed, stamped envelopes allows.

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Emergency meetings may be called by the Mayor or any three members of Council providing at least twelve hours' notice to each member, served personally or left at his usual place of residence. Any member may waive, in writing, notice of any special meeting. The Lancaster Eagle-Gazette will be notified immediately regarding the time, place, and purpose of any emergency meetings.

At the first regular meeting in January of each year, and at such other times as the Mayor deems expedient, the Mayor shall report to Council concerning the affairs of the Village and recommend such measures as the Mayor deems proper."

Section 2. That all other portions of Resolution 03-12 and all other Council Rules therein remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. That the Fiscal Officer shall ensure that methods of notification for special and emergency meetings are made in accordance with the Council Rules.

Section 4. That this Resolution is immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare by providing for the Village's full compliance with the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code, is hereby declared an emergency measure, and shall take effect and be in force immediately upon passage.

DATE PASSED: Oct 10, 2017

ATTESTED: [Signature]

CLERK

SIGNED: [Signature]

MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM: [Signature]

VILLAGE SOLICITOR

Introduced by: \_\_\_\_\_

Council Member Andrew Zircher