

VILLAGE OF MILLERSBURG

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Nathan Troyer, Village Administrator

Bobbie Curry, Village Fiscal Officer, Tax Administrator

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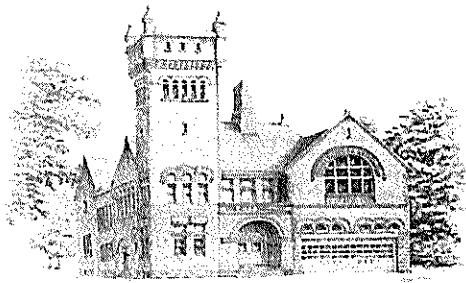
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AGENDA

Date: 1/26/2026

REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL - 7:00 P.M.

8. Report of Committees:
9. Legislation:
10. Old/Unfinished Business:
 - Marijuana Dispensary: **Public Comment, Discussion, Council Vote, Sample Moratorium Legislation**
 - Public Comment (*submitted as of 1/23/26 @4:17pm*):
 - Steve McCrossin
 - Mary Baker-Shoup
 - Others, if any.
 - Written correspondence from public
 - 2026 Council Goals – **Mayor Hoffee & Council Members**
 - S Clay Street pavement striping – Waiting for ODOT
 - Smart Traffic Lights – **Updated on Administrator's Report**
 - New water bill system – No Update
 - Wooster Rd Waterline Project - **Funding Update - Hoffee**
 - Employee Leave Donation Policy – No Update – work to begin in 2026
 - Downtown Sidewalk Project– **Updated on Administrator's Report**
 - Alley vacation between 419 Wise St and 711 Maxwell Ave – **No Update**
 - Streetlights –
 - Indigent Burial Site dedication – No Update - Waiting for Ceremony Date
 - Amend DORA guidelines (Sunday Sales) – No Update Until 2026
 - Airport Park Lighting Project – **Updated on Administrator's Report**
 - Electric Aggregation – **Updated on Administrator's Report**
 - Former Terrace View Property Legal Action -
 - Housing Study - **Updated on Administrator's Report**
 - Phone system – **Updated on Administrator's Report**
 - EPA Generator Grant - **Updated on Administrator's Report**
 - Downtown Crosswalks/lighting/safety solutions –
 - Millersburg Mobile Home Park (periodic update) -
 - United States Semiquincentennial Celebration -
11. New Business:
12. Executive Session, if any:
13. Executive Session Action:
14. Adjournment



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FROM THE DESK OF

—MAYOR—

KELLY HOFFEE

Community Calendar

- Feb 7 - Colton Dixon at Ohio Star Theater
- Feb 28 - Girls Night Out in Downtown Millersburg
- March 28 - Hop Around Millersburg- Scavenger Hunt for Kids, Open House at all of our Downtown Businesses, Adult Easter Egg Hunt with store discounts
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Council Calendar

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- Feb 4 - DRB & Planning and Zoning Meetings 6pm and 6:30pm
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ENTITY NAME: VILLAGE OF MILLERSBURG

BOARD NAME: MILLERSBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL

TYPE OF MEETING: Regular

VOTING SESSION: Yes

DATE: 1/12/2026

START TIME: 7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION: COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 6 N WASHINGTON ST MILLERSBURG, OH 44654

CALLED TO ORDER BY: MAYOR, KELLY HOFFEE

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS – REGULAR SESSION

COUNCIL MEMBERS ROLL CALL

NAME:		NAME:	
Shoemaker	Present	Kellogg	Present
Vaughn	Present	Zollars	Present
Hofstetter	Present	Hershberger	Present

MOTION TO EXCUSE:	Appoint Council President Brent Hofstetter		
MOTION BY:	Shoemaker	MOTION SECONDED BY:	Vaughn
VOTING ROLL CALL:			
Shoemaker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Zollars	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Vaughn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Hershberger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Kellogg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Hofstetter	Abstained
VOTING RESULTS: Abstain Brent Hofstetter		YES: 5	NO: 0

IN ATTENDANCE

NAME:	TITLE/POSITION	NAME:	
Kelly Hoffee	Mayor	Nathan Troyer	Village Administrator
Bobbie Curry	Fiscal Officer	Matt Shaner	Police Chief
Melissa Patrick	Media/Reporter	Adam Barnett	Visitor

COMMUNITY CALENDAR/EVENTS

Community Calendar

- Jan 15-17 - Northeast Ohio Sportsman's Show Mt Hope Event Center
- Jan 16 - Family Fort Building Ages 6-11 from 5:30-6:30pm at Main Library in Millersburg
- Jan 18 - Bubbles and Ballads, Dolly Parton Sing-Along Brunch at Leroy's in Wooster from 11am-2pm, ticket price sponsors a child in Wayne and Holmes County for the Imagination Library.
- Jan 23-24 Berlin Pajama Party, special discounts for wearing your pajamas to stores Saturday.
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APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

TYPE OF MEETING:		Regular	
SUSPEND READING OF MINUTES HELD ON:		12/22/2025	
MOTION TO SUSPEND THE READING BY:	Hofstetter	MOTION SECONDED BY:	Kellogg
VOTING ROLL CALL:			
Hofstetter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Vaughn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Kellogg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Zollars	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Shoemaker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Hershberger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
VOTING RESULTS:			
MOTION TO APPROVE BY:	Vaughn	MOTION SECONDED BY:	Zollars
VOTING ROLL CALL:			
Vaughn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Hofstetter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Shoemaker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Hershberger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
VOTING RESULTS:		YES: 6 NO: 0	

APPROVAL OF BILLS

BILL RESOLUTION 2026-1	Bills \$181,285.75	Payroll \$77,484.10	Total \$258,769.85
QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/DISCUSSION: Councilman Vaughn asked if Civic Plus is an annual fee- Fiscal Officer Curry answered that is in fact an annual fee.			
MOTION TO APPROVE BY:	Kellogg	MOTION SECONDED BY:	Hershberger
VOTING ROLL CALL:			
Kellogg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Vaughn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Hershberger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Hofstetter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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VOTING RESULTS:		YES: 6 NO: 0	

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

DEPARTMENT:	ADMINISTRATION
REPRESENTATIVE'S NAME:	VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR, NATHAN TROYER
<u>DRB & P&Z Commission</u>	
There may be a preliminary review scheduled for the next meeting.	
<u>Sidewalk Project</u>	
Meeting with engineers (The Spicer Group) and County on 1/15 to review preliminary design plans.	
<u>Airport Park</u>	
New poles are in production now. Will be installed when weather permits.	
<u>Housing Study</u>	
Stakeholder interviews began last week, 5 more scheduled for this week. So far, the interviews have been very good and gathering lots of good insights.	
<u>Downtown Traffic Signals</u>	
No update, awaiting scheduling.	
<u>Phone System</u>	
No update, waiting on fiber installation.	
<u>ECOHBA Invitation</u>	
Will be at 1/26 Council meeting. Administrator Troyer passed along exactly what Councilwoman Kellogg requested. Administrator Troyer will have some applications printed up for people to review. Kellogg would like the public to be aware of this visit and would like to invite the public to come to the meeting to learn and ask questions.	
<u>EPA Generator Grant</u>	
Submitted-waiting on announcement	
<u>Alley Vacation Update</u>	
No update	
<u>Marijuana Moratorium</u>	
Troyer received an email asking if council will be taking any formal action (legislation) on a marijuana moratorium for the Village of Millersburg since all three marijuana issues were voted down at the last election.	
Solicitor Gilman stated that they are ready to draft whatever the Village decides.	
Councilwoman Kellogg stated that she would argue that the majority said no because there was a low voter turnout. Councilman Shoemaker stated that there was not enough argument on the benefits for the Village. Kellogg wants council to vote on this topic.	
Discussion ensued about whether to vote on allowing a dispensary or a moratorium. All council members agreed to a vote. Hoffee asked whether the vote should take place now or be tabled until next meeting. Zollars suggested waiting until the next meeting. Shoemaker said he wants someone here to promote it and explain the benefits. He said that has never been done.	

Solicitor Gilman asked council if they would like sample moratorium legislation for the next meeting. Vaughn and Kellogg agreed that they would like to see sample legislation for the next meeting.

Curry asked Solicitor Gilman for any sources that could explain the benefits of allowing a dispensary. Gilman is familiar with the issue because of his solicitor position with the Village of Loudonville. He explained Loudonville's history with first having passed legislation for a moratorium then later – after hearing from the dispensary company wishing to open their business – passed legislation allowing the dispensary. Gilman went on to explain that the State of Ohio has made many statements about expected tax revenue for municipalities allowing dispensaries, however, the tax issues are not entirely resolved.

Hershberger asked about the Village's burden of oversight and compliance with dispensaries should they be allowed. Gilman answered that the State has heavily regulated these operations so it is unlikely the Village would be responsible for regulations or enforcement.

Solicitor Gilman, later in the meeting, added a follow-up comment. He searched the internet and found that the Ohio Department of Taxation made their first distribution of dispensary tax just 5 days ago, on January 7th. The press release indicates that a total of \$33,000,000.00 was distributed to municipalities for the period from July of 2024 through November of 2025.

Kellogg noted that there is income tax revenue is another benefit. She said she has a list of benefits but that everyone seems to be basing their opinions on emotion. Kellogg added that council represents more than those who voted no. Vaughn said that residents had the choice whether to show up to vote or not. If they did not vote that was their choice.

DEPARTMENT:	POLICE DEPARTMENT
REPRESENTATIVE'S NAME:	CHIEF, MATT SHANER
Chief Shaner stated that he has another patrol officer candidate that is a certified officer. Shaner would like permission to hire this individual once all interviewing/pre-employment testing is completed. Council members each agreed to proceed with hiring. Councilman Shoemaker would like to meet the candidate, if hired.	

DEPARTMENT:	FISCAL
REPRESENTATIVE'S NAME:	FISCAL OFFICER, BOBBIE CURRY
-December financials recognized. Vaughn recognized that the Village's carryover this year was about \$700,000.00 more than the previous year. He thanked the administrative staff for their stewardship of public funds. -Curry is seeking a second signer for the bank warrants. Councilwoman Kellogg agreed to be the second signer. -New Council member updates: Emails for Hershberger and Zollars are set up. Trainings: Hershberger, Zollars, Shoemaker and Hofstetter are as follows: Sunshine Law and Fraud & Ethics. These are available on demand online. An email with the links to the on-demand training courses has been or will be sent by Curry.	

-New water/sewer billing update - we are up and running things are going well. Customers are encouraged to set up their accounts online. You will need your account number and phone number to set up your new account. If residents have trouble establishing their online account, it is due to the phone number we have on file. Residents should call the Village office to update their phone number on file with us.

DEPARTMENT:	MAYOR
REPRESENTATIVE'S NAME:	KELLY HOFFEE
<u>2026 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS</u>	
FINANCE / AUDIT	PERSONNEL
Ryan Hershberger, Chairman	Tom Vaughn, Chairman
Andrea Kellogg	Ryan Hershberger
Tom Vaughn	Brent Hofstetter
Village Administrator	Village Fiscal Officer
Village Fiscal Officer	Village Administrator
Department Heads	Police Chief
Mayor	Mayor
Solicitor (As needed)	Solicitor (as needed)
PUBLIC WORKS	PARK/CEM/BLDG
Andrea Kellogg, Chairwoman	Andrea Kellogg, Chairwoman
Tom Vaughn	Tom Vaughn
Andy Zollars	Andy Zollars
Village Administrator	Village Administrator
Utility Superintendent	Street Superintendent
Street Superintendent	Cemetery Sexton
Mayor	Mayor
POLICE	PLANNING & ZONING
Bob Shoemaker, Chairman	Bob Shoemaker
Brent Hofstetter	Adrea Kellogg
Andy Zollars	Mayor
Mayor	
TREE CITY	HO CO PLANNING COMM REP
Brent Hofstetter	Nate Troyer
FIRE DISTRICT #1 REP	DESIGN REVIEW BOARD REP
Mayor	Bob Shoemaker

BUSINESS & HOUSING

Brent Hofstetter

Ryan Hershberger

Mayor

VOLUNTEER POLICE OFFICERS DEPENDENT FUND COMMITTEE

Les Roach, Dan Baker, Andy Zollars, Bob Shoemaker, Ryan Hershberger

RECORDS COMMISSION

Mayor, Fiscal Officer, Solicitor, Les Roach (Roach is the citizen Rep)

Hofstetter motioned to approve the 2026 Committees appointments. Second by Kellogg. All in favor. 6 Aye, 0 No. Motion passed.

Hoffee reminded Council Members to come to meeting prepared to report on their respective committee meetings that have occurred.

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STATE OF THE VILLAGE REPORT – MILLERSBURG, OHIO

Delivered Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 733.41

Good evening, Council Members, Village staff, community partners, and residents of Millersburg. As required by Ohio Revised Code 733.41, it is my honor to present the annual State of the Village report and to share the progress we made in 2025, as well as the exciting initiatives ahead in 2026.

This past year has been a productive and forward-moving time for Millersburg. Together, we focused on strengthening infrastructure, enhancing public safety, improving quality of life, and making smart, responsible investments for our future.

One of our significant accomplishments was the completion of the Street Department Storage Building, which provides much-needed space and will improve efficiency for our staff and operations.

We also continued important work downtown. Pathmaster visited to discuss a modern smart traffic light system designed to improve traffic flow and pedestrian safety. I am pleased to report the Holmes County Commissioners generously committed \$20,000 toward this project, and Council voted to move

forward. This collaboration is a perfect example of how agencies working together can maximize benefits for our residents.

Council also voted to allow a Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) in the downtown district during designated times. This has already generated positive activity for local businesses and offers a more vibrant environment for community events.

To support our ongoing infrastructure needs, we purchased a Durapatcher, which enables quicker and more efficient street repairs. We also completed upgrades to the crosswalks at the Post Office and at Pomerene Hospital, improving visibility and safety for pedestrians.

Council worked diligently to review and improve our internal operations, and this year we successfully updated and passed the revised Council Rules, helping ensure transparency, consistency, and professionalism in our processes.

Visitors and residents alike may have noticed another improvement—new “Welcome to Millersburg” signs installed at the major entrances into town. These signs reflect both our pride in our community, and the ongoing revitalization of our village’s identity.

Parks and recreation were also a key focus. At Deer Run Park, the restrooms and concession stand floors were professionally coated for better durability and cleanliness. At Airport Park, new playground equipment was installed, giving local families a safer and more enjoyable play area.

As part of our Bicentennial celebration, we held a coloring contest at Millersburg Elementary. The winning pages were transformed into large banners that decorated our downtown—an uplifting showcase of creativity from our kids and hometown pride.

In 2025, we also welcomed Kick & Gilman as our new Village Solicitor, and Council voted to move forward with the Housing Study with financial assistance from the Commissioners. This study will give us the data we need to make informed decisions about residential development and long-term growth.

There is much to look forward to in the coming year.

This Spring, we will begin Phase 1 of the Downtown Sidewalk Project, which will improve accessibility, walkability, and overall appearance throughout our historic downtown district.

The Smart Street Light System will be installed and brought online this year, completing the project initiated in 2025. This will mark a major advancement in traffic management and safety.

We will also be paving Monroe Street, addressing a substantial infrastructure need and improving daily travel for residents.

Additionally, by the end of this week, we expect to know whether we can proceed faster than expected with the Wooster Road Waterline Project. This is a crucial upgrade, and we are optimistic about moving forward.

In short, there is a lot happening in 2026, and Millersburg is moving forward with momentum and purpose.

We take our responsibility to steward your tax dollars very seriously and remain committed to ensuring every expenditure is made with transparency, accountability, and long-term value in mind. So, I am pleased to report that Village Council has been fiscally responsible with your taxpayer dollars. We began 2025 with \$7.5 million dollars and we are beginning 2026 with over \$8 million dollars. That means we completed all these projects, upgrades, and improvements while maintaining a stable financial position. This is the result of careful budgeting, responsible spending, and thoughtful planning.

Millersburg is a strong community, built on cooperation, hard work, and dedication to progress. I want to thank our Council, our employees, the Commissioners, local organizations, and most importantly, our residents. Your support, feedback, and involvement make these accomplishments possible.

The state of our Village is strong, and the future ahead is bright.

Thank you, Mayor Kelly Hoffee

2026 Council Goals

Mayor Hoffee asked each council member to identify their goals for the Village Council and bring them to the next council meeting to share.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE:	Fire Department
PRESENTED BY:	Mayor Hoffee
DISCUSSION: 696 Fire and EMS calls in 2026. Average turnout time for fire was 1.45 minutes. EMS turnout time was 1.17 minutes; the fire engine 2.27 minutes; and command unit was 1.17 minutes.	

LEGISLATION

NUMBER: 2025-33			
TITLE: Annexing 1.220 acres to the Village of Millersburg (Jordan Properties)			
CLASSIFICATION:	Resolution		
STATUS:	Third Reading and Passage		
MOTION TO APPROVE BY:	Vaughn	MOTION SECONDED BY:	Shoemaker
VOTING ROLL CALL:			
Vaughn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Kellogg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Shoemaker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Zollars	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Hofstetter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Hershberger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
VOTING RESULTS:		YES: 6 NO: 0	

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TOPICS:	Smart Traffic Signals, New Water/Sewer Billing System, Downtown Sidewalk Project, Housing Study, New Phone System, and Airport Park Lighting Project
PRESENTED BY:	Administrator Troyer
DISCUSSION: See Administrator's Report and Fiscal Officer Report.	

TOPIC:	Wooster Rd Project
PRESENTED BY:	Mayor Hoffee
DISCUSSION: Funding has been approved in the House of Representatives. It needs to pass in the Senate this week. Hoffee will verify the dollar amount the next time she talks to Rep. Troy Balderson. Hoffee thanked those who wrote letters to support the funding.	

TOPIC:	Streetlights
PRESENTED BY:	Mayor Hoffee
DISCUSSION: Many burnt out streetlights have been reported to AEP by both the Village and residents. Some have been fixed but many others have not.	

TOPIC:	Old Terrace View Property
PRESENTED BY:	Mayor Hoffee
DISCUSSION: Hoffee asked Fire Chief Rafferty for an update about the Old Terrace View property. According to Rafferty, the complaint is currently in the Court of Common Pleas in Holmes County. Neither the owner nor the occupant has answered the complaint at this time. A reinspection was done in December, but the property still failed. The issue will move to the Ohio building authority.	

TOPIC:	Cross Walk Safety Upgrades
PRESENTED BY:	Administrator Troyer
DISCUSSION: Pathmaster is researching options and will report to Troyer. Troyer said that there were many streetlights out in the downtown area that Millersburg Electric has replaced. There are more to be replaced. There has been improvement with lighting. Kellogg suggested that traffic lights be programmed to turn red in all directions to allow pedestrians to cross safely. Troyer said that is an option. Vaughn suggested that we explore other safety options first. He worries that traffic back-up will worsen if traffic is stopped in all directions. Other traffic light concerns were discussed. Hoffee hopes that some of those issues are resolved or improved once our new Smart Traffic Light system is implemented.	
ACTION ITEM/ASSIGNED TO: Kellogg will add pedestrian safety to her 2026 goals.	

TOPIC:	Trailer Park
PRESENTED BY:	Hershberger
<p>DISCUSSION: Hershberger asked for periodic updates about the Millersburg Mobile Home Park. Hoffee reported that the bank that currently owns the property has assigned its 5th receiver. There is a property manager. The park's bills (trash pick-up and water/sewer) are getting paid, and the trash is getting picked up. The receiver seems to have done what they are obligated to do. For example, due to neglect by the owner of the park last year, there were many, many water line breaks. The receiver has been proactive in hiring plumbers to fix issues before a water main break occurs. There is still a lot to be done, and many improvements still needed which will be the responsibility of the new owner once the property is sold. As for buyers, there have been two bids that were withdrawn. It has been better for the residents with a receiver.</p>	
<p>ACTION ITEM/ASSIGNED TO: Periodic updates will be discussed as available.</p>	

NEW BUSINESS

TOPIC:	250 Anniversary of the United States
PRESENTED BY:	Shoemaker
<p>DISCUSSION: Councilman Shoemaker wants a big party and a parade. The county is planning a celebration at Harvest Ridge in late July.</p>	
<p>ACTION ITEM/ASSIGNED TO: Shoemaker may add this as a goal for 2026.</p>	

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY:	Hofstetter	MOTION SECONDED BY:	Kellogg
VOTING ROLL CALL:			
Hofstetter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Vaughn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Kellogg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Zollars	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Shoemaker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Hershberger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
VOTING RESULTS:		YES: 6 NO: 0	

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

TYPE OF MEETING:	Regular
DATE:	1/26/2026
TIME:	7:00 PM
LOCATION: Council Chambers	6 N Washington St Millersburg, OH 44654

MINUTES PREPARED BY

SIGNATURE: Bobbie Curry (JK)	TITLE	DATE
	Fiscal Officer	1/16/2026

ATTESTED BY

SIGNATURE: Bobbie Curry	TITLE	DATE
	Fiscal Officer	1/26/2026

CERTIFICATION

SIGNATURE: Kelly Hoffee	TITLE	DATE
	Mayor	1/26/2026

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Resolution for the payment of certain bills. Now be it ordained by the Council of the Village of Millersburg, Holmes County, Ohio, that the following described bills be allowed and paid from the respective funds designated below, and that the Fiscal Officer is directed to draw proper warrants of said Village for the amounts so designated.

RESOLUTION 2026-2

Vendor	Description	Fund	Total
AEP	Electricity	Multiple	\$11,936.05
At&t First net	Cellular services	Multiple	\$546.50
Aultcare	Medical/Dental Insurance	Multiple	\$37,269.44
Aultworks	Yearly random testing fees	Multiple	\$520.00
Carter Lumber	Plug drain slop sink	Street	\$104.90
Clemans & Nelson	Retainer fee	General	\$250.00
Cline	Clean flame sensor	Street	\$135.00
Core & Main	Omni 2 c2, curb boxes	Water	\$22,777.85
Cross Truck	Control Module	Street	\$194.00
First Citizen	Xerox Copier	General	\$174.25
Granzow	Coils & rebuild kit	Water	\$431.54
Hawkins	Cylinder charge	Water	\$1,342.68
Holmes County Treasurer	Real estate Taxes 2025	General	\$1,034.15
Holmes Oil	Gasoline	Multiple	\$1,333.24
Holmes Power Equip	Sharpen Hedge Cutter	Cemetery	\$42.50
Holmes Supply	Cold patch	Street	\$150.00
Holmes Wayne Elec	Electricity	Water, Sewer	\$109.73
Kick & Gilman	Legal fees	General	\$1,265.00
Millersburg Rotary Club	2026 dues	General	\$170.00
NAPA	8270 battery (2)	Water	\$310.92
NEO Gas	Gas	Sewer	\$59.48
Pomerene Medical Group	Drug/ Alcohol test	Police	\$120.00
Quadient	lease pmt	General	\$207.51
Silco	CO2 system gen room	General	\$17,335.50
Snyder Brothers Sales Service	Hydraulic hose & fitting	Street	\$135.12
Stark State College	Spring 2026 Tuition	Police	\$6,630.40
Standard Insurance	Life insurance	Multiple	\$341.39
Staples	Supplies	Multiple	\$70.31
Thompson Memorial	Columbarium Engraving	Cemetery	\$350.00

Resolution 2026-2

Treasurer State of Ohio EPA	Annual Sludge Fee	Sewer	\$404.87
Treasurer of State (ODOT)	Brine	Street	\$29.00
Village Motors	Grab handle	Cemetery	\$195.56
		TOTAL	\$ 105,976.89

Electronic payments

Vendor	Description & Date Paid	Fund	Total
USA Roller Chain & Sprockets	Falk Shaft Mounted Reducer (1/2 down + freight)	Sewer	\$ 6,261.09
		Total	\$ 6,261.09

Total Bills	\$ 112,237.98
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PAYROLL CHECK DATE 01/15/2026

Employee	Purpose	Dept	Gross Wages
Arnold, Rodney	Wages	Street	\$ 2,516.36
Baker, Daniel	Wages	Gen Police	\$ 3,370.44
Boggs, Conner	Wages	Gen Police	\$ 2,119.04
Cline, Chad	Wages	General	\$ 2,495.20
Cox, Caleb	Wages	Gen Police	\$ 2,973.70
Curry, Roberta	Wages	General	\$ 3,108.00
Duff, Kevin	Wages	Street	\$ 2,474.40
Judson, Blake	Wages	Wat/Sew	\$ 2,646.40
Kiner, Jessica	Wages	General	\$ 2,248.52
Kiner, Ron	Wages	Gen Police	\$ 2,699.84
Markley, Michelle	Wages	Gen Police	\$ 3,253.12
McKinney, Steve	Wages	Street	\$ 2,185.04
Mellor, Pat	Wages	Cem/Str	\$ 4,419.80
Miller, James	Wages	Street	\$ 3,019.16
Miller, Javen	Wages	Gen Police	\$ 2,348.80
Miller, Kenneth	Wages	Wat/Sew	\$ 3,359.20
Opfer, Stephanie	Wages	Gen Police	\$ 2,694.56
Shaffer, Mary	Wages	Gen/Wat/Sew	\$ 2,514.40
Shaner, Matt	Salary	Gen Police	\$ 3,709.86
Shepler, Clay	Wages	Wat/Sew	\$ 2,216.81
Shows, Logan	Wages	Gen Police	\$ 2,588.97

Resolution 2026-2

Skolmutch, Nathan	Wages	Wat/Sew	\$ 3,964.00
Snyder, Troy	Wager	Street/Park	\$ 2,967.20
Troyer, Nate	Salary	Gen/Wat/Sew	\$ 3,915.84
Weaver, Matthew	Wages	Wat/Sew	\$ 3,754.41
Yoder, Kelly	Wages	Gen Police	\$ 2,265.79
		TOTAL PAY	\$ 75,828.86

TOTAL BILL RES 2026-2 \$ 188,066.84

Administrator's Report

January 26, 2026

DRB & P&Z Commission

DRB will meet 2/4 to review a COA from The Mouse House on S. Clay.

Sidewalk Project

Met with Spicer Group, County and ORDC to review preliminary plans. Minor tweaks will be made to the plans with the goal of having a meeting with HDM and merchants in late February/early March to allow them time for plan review and comments. On the funding side, we were informed that \$10,930 from GOA would hold all other funding up and delay the bid/start dates so I instructed them to proceed without this funding.

Airport Park

The pole order has been sent to production, no further update.

Housing Study

Set up 2 more interviews for the coming weeks and Envision is working on data collection, processing, etc.

Downtown Traffic Signals

Signal Service has been in town working on the installation. Pathmaster will be coming to do their portion of the install and then we can discuss startup schedule.

Phone System

No update, waiting on fiber installation.

EPA Generator Grant

Submitted-waiting on announcement

Alley Vacation Update

No update

Electrical Aggregation

Rep from Aspen Energy sent the attached legislation and they would like to come to the 2/9 meeting to discuss the current rate market, trends, timing for our next contract, etc.

RESOLUTION NO _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE VILLAGE COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH AN ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER THROUGH ASPEN ENERGY CORP. TO SUPPLY VILLAGE OF MILLERSBURG'S ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Aspen Energy Corp. is certified with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio as a broker and aggregator; and,

WHEREAS, Aspen Energy Corp. has the necessary expertise to investigate, evaluate and, if warranted, accomplish the required tasks to implement any alternative Electricity supply for the benefit of Village of Millersburg, Holmes County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Millersburg believe it is in the best interests of the Village to authorize Aspen Energy Corp. to act as its Electricity broker for the purpose of providing price stability and price protection and potential savings by the Village by utilizing an Electricity supplier on its Electricity aggregation program other than AEP Ohio [utility].

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of Village of Millersburg, Holmes County, Ohio, as follows:

SECTION 1.

That the Council of the Village of Millersburg hereby authorize and appoints Aspen Energy Corp. to act as its agent and Electricity broker for the purpose of providing price stability and price protection and potential savings of the Village by utilizing an Electricity source other than AEP Ohio [utility].

SECTION 2.

The Council hereby authorizes the execution of an Electricity aggregation supply agreement through Aspen Energy Corp., after the Council of the Village of Millersburg are satisfied with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

SECTION 3.

This Resolution shall become effective at the earliest time permitted by law.

SECTION 4.

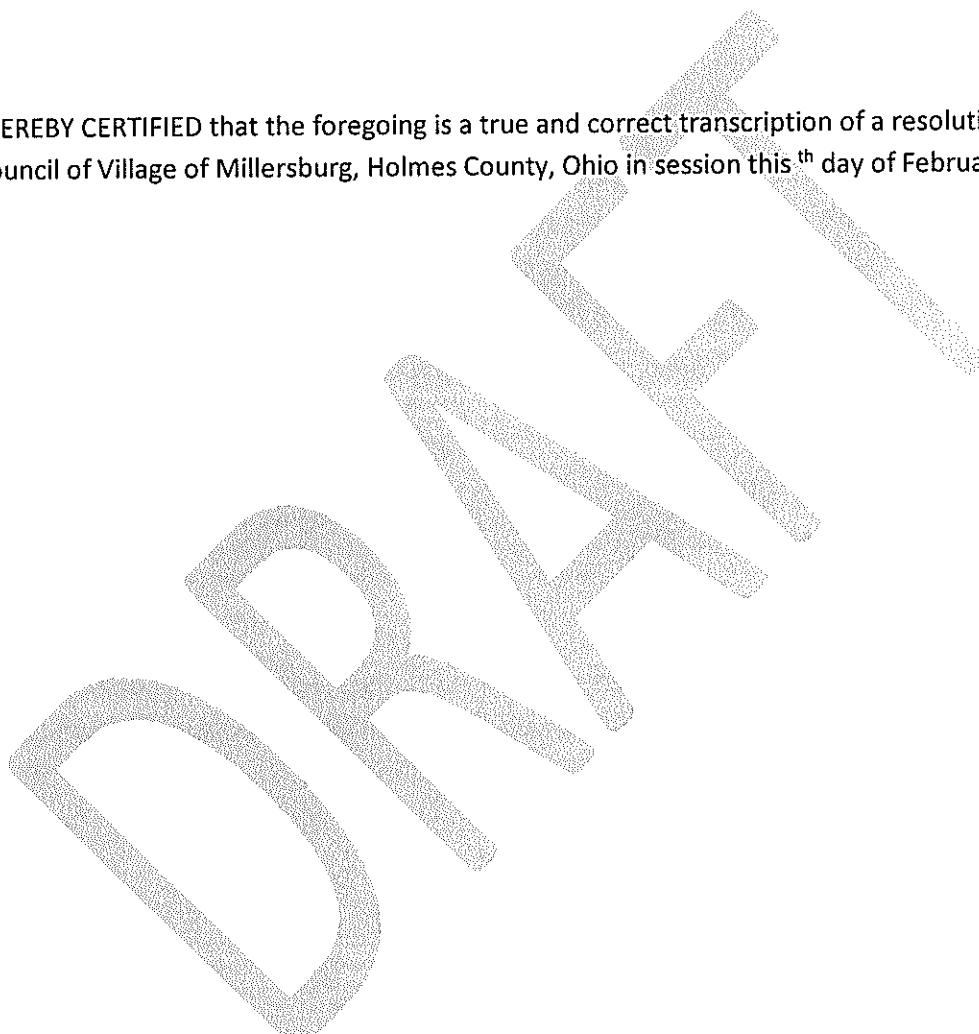
It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of the Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of

the Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 O.R.C.

ADOPTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING of the Village of Millersburg, Holmes County, Ohio this th day of February 2026.

CERTIFICATE OF FISCAL OFFICER

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcription of a resolution adopted by the Council of Village of Millersburg, Holmes County, Ohio in session this th day of February 2026.

A large, stylized, dotted 'X' mark, likely representing a signature or a seal, is positioned in the center of the page. It is composed of numerous small dots forming the shape of a cross.

**Request Form to Bring an
Item to Village Council for
Official Discussion and/or
Consideration**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Name: Steve McCrossin

Address: 31 Briar Ln.
Milwaukie, OH 44654

Phone Number: 330-763-3221

Email: Steve@pgigeo.com

Business/
Organization
which you represent: Precision Cannabis CBD Products, LLC

Item for Discussion/
Consideration: Research supporting the repeal of
Ordinance 703.01 and opening
of a marijuana dispensary.

Action Which You
Request Council to
Take: Vote to repeal Village Ordinance
703.01

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Item to Village Council for
Official Discussion and/or
Consideration**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Name: Mary Baker-Sharp

Address: 3012 Bayberry Ct.
Worster, OH 44691

Phone Number: 330-621-1629

Email: bsharp@ccj.com

Business/
Organization
which you represent: Precision Cannabis CBD Products, LLC

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January 23, 2026

Mayor Kelly Hoffee
Councilman Ryan Hershberger
Councilwoman Andrea Kellogg
Councilman Tom Vaughn
Councilman Brent Hofstetter
Councilman Robert Shoemaker
Councilman Andy Zollars
via email: bobbie.curry@millersburgohio.com
nathan.troyer@millersburgohio.com

Re: Village of Millersburg Council Vote to Repeal Village Ordinance 703.01

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

When I first began exploring the possibility of opening a marijuana dispensary in the Village of Millersburg, my initial step was to seek input directly from Village leadership. I met with Mayor Hoffee to discuss the proposed dispensary, its potential impact on the community, and the regulatory framework under which it would operate. That discussion focused on how a carefully managed, professional dispensary could benefit the Village while respecting local values and concerns.

As part of that process, Mayor Hoffee conducted an online poll to gauge community sentiment in June 2025. While no issue will ever receive unanimous support, the results reflected a largely positive response, with a relatively small percentage of respondents opposed. Those results are attached for Council's review. I respectfully ask that Council consider not only the existence of opposition, but also its scale when weighed against the potential benefits to the Village.

At present, neighboring communities such as Coshocton and Loudonville are receiving tax revenue generated by medical marijuana dispensaries. Because of the existing Village ordinance, that revenue is bypassing our community entirely. The enclosed memorandum outlines the specific, measurable tax revenues that similarly situated municipalities are receiving and how those funds are being used to support local services. Allowing a dispensary within the Village would permit the Village to capture revenue that is already being spent by residents elsewhere.

It is also important to clarify the nature of the patients who utilize marijuana dispensaries. A substantial portion of sales are to individuals using cannabis-derived products, including CBD, to manage legitimate medical conditions such as arthritis, chronic pain, bipolar disorder, depression, and sleep disorders. For many of these customers, marijuana is not recreational; it is an alternative to opioids or other prescription medications with significant side effects.

If permitted, the proposed dispensary would be operated as a clean, aesthetic, professional facility. There would be no flashing signs, no obnoxious advertising, and no effort to draw attention

beyond what is necessary for lawful business operations. The intent is to operate a compliant, discreet establishment that reflects well on the Village and aligns with its character.

I recognize that this issue raises strong feelings for some members of the community, often grounded in moral concerns or anecdotal fears. I respectfully submit that decisions of this magnitude are best made based on verified data, regulatory realities, and demonstrable outcomes in comparable communities. The enclosed memorandum is intended to assist Council in that evaluation by presenting objective research, statistics, and real-world experience from municipalities that have chosen to permit regulated medical dispensaries.

I appreciate Council's time and consideration and welcome thoughtful discussion regarding whether overturning the existing ordinance is in the Village's best long-term interest. My hope is that the information provided will help Council feel more comfortable with a new, tightly regulated business that can generate needed tax revenue while serving patients and respecting community standards.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Steven McCrossin

Steven McCrossin
Precision Cannabis CBD Products, LLC
Authorized Member

4929-7985-6010, v. 1

Memorandum of Support

I. Introduction and Issue Presented

Precision Cannabis CBD Products, LLC (“Precision Cannabis”) respectfully requests the affirmative vote of the Millersburg Village Council to repeal Village Ordinance 703.01, which prohibits the sale of marijuana within the village limits. Precision Cannabis believes an adult-use marijuana dispensary is cutting edge opportunity for the Village to inject untapped financial resources into the Village budget.

This memorandum provides an analysis and supporting factual record to present to the Millersburg Village Council in connection with its consideration of whether to repeal the existing village ordinance prohibiting marijuana cultivators, processors, and retail dispensaries within village limits. This memorandum summarizes relevant fiscal data, public safety research, and legal context demonstrating that permitting a regulated adult-use marijuana dispensary would provide measurable financial benefits to the Village without increasing crime, youth access, or other commonly asserted community harms.

II. Background and Local Context

Ohio legalized adult-use recreational marijuana through statewide voter approval on November 7, 2023, with lawful recreational adult-use sales commencing in August 2024. The regulatory framework is administered by the Ohio Division of Cannabis Control and imposes licensing, security, inventory tracking, and age-verification requirements on all dispensaries.

Precision Cannabis is aware of the non-binding ballot issue which asked voters to weigh in on repealing Ordinance 703.01 on the November ballot. The Council should not be swayed by the voter results. The non-binding ballot issue declining to repeal the ordinance involved approximately 20 percent of eligible voters. Ohio law does not bind the Village Council to the result of that vote, and the limited turnout further supports the Council’s authority to reconsider the ordinance based on new fiscal data and actual regulatory experience since legalization. Council should remain open to the factual data in this memorandum as well as general public support attached as Exhibit A.

As Council is aware, Millersburg is a village of approximately 3,100 residents and serves as the county seat of Holmes County. Residents already travel to neighboring municipalities, including Loudonville and Coshocton, to purchase legal adult-use marijuana. As a result, the Village currently receives no tax revenue from sales occurring outside its boundaries and exercises no local regulatory oversight over an activity that is legal statewide.

III. Fiscal and Economic Impact

Ohio law expressly contemplates and incentivizes local participation through excise-tax revenue sharing. Ohio imposes a ten percent (10%) excise tax on adult-use marijuana sales in addition to standard sales tax.¹ Under Senate Bill 56, thirty-six percent (36%) of the excise tax collected from adult-use sales is returned directly to host municipalities through the Host

¹ <https://tax.ohio.gov/business/adult-use-cannabis-tax>

Community Cannabis Fund.² These funds may be deposited into a municipality's general fund and used for public safety, infrastructure, parks, or other governmental purposes.³ During the first fiscal year of marijuana sales in Ohio, \$115,531,644 was collected in sales tax from both medical and recreational sales, and an additional \$61,978,042 in excise tax.⁴ Although initial distributions were delayed due to legislative debate, disbursements to host communities began in January 2026.

Early municipal data demonstrates that the revenue is material even for small communities. For example, the Village of Seven Mile, Ohio received approximately \$401,000 from a single dispensary.⁵ Seven Mile is a small village consisting of a population of just over 700. Akron received approximately \$823,000 from three dispensaries, while Cuyahoga Falls received approximately \$448,000 from two dispensaries.⁶ Elyria reported receipts of approximately \$374,000 with projected ongoing monthly distributions of approximately \$23,000.⁷

For a village the size of Millersburg, even conservative revenue projections would represent a meaningful annual contribution to the general fund without increasing property taxes or local income taxes. The revenue is recurring and directly tied to consumer demand that already exists within the region.

IV. Public Safety and Crime Considerations

Concerns regarding crime are frequently cited in opposition to marijuana dispensaries. Peer-reviewed research does not support the conclusion that regulated dispensaries increase violent crime. A widely cited study published which focused on crimes rates in Colorado and Washington found no increase in violent or property crime associated with the opening of recreational marijuana dispensaries and, in some cases, identified modest reductions in certain property crimes.⁸

These findings are consistent with long-term data from Michigan, which legalized adult-use marijuana in 2018 and has several years of operational experience. Reports and analyses from Michigan authorities indicate that licensed dispensaries operate with extensive security requirements and have not produced increases in violent crime in host municipalities.⁹

²https://moritzlaw.osu.edu/sites/default/files/202512/Ohio%20reforms_SB56%20and%20Issue%202_December%2010%202025_final.pdf

³ **Ohio Senate Bill 56 (2025).**

⁴<https://moritzlaw.osu.edu/faculty-and-research/drug-enforcement-and-policy-center/research-and-grants/policy-and-data-analyses/cannabis-crossroads>

⁵<https://www.daytondailynews.com/local/area-communities-finally-getting-millions-in-cannabis-tax-revenue/7I4DOBLIRR2RPFV4I3ITWVQHA/>

⁶ <https://www.beaconjournal.com/story/business/2026/01/17/marijuana-tax-revenue-issued-to-akron-cuyahoga-falls-tallmadge/88213329007/?gnt-cfr=1&gca-cat=p&gca-uir=true&gca-epi=z117251p119650c119650d00---v117251d-49--b--49--&gca-ft=159&gca-ds=sophi>

⁷ <https://chroniclet.com/news/454301/elyria-finally-gets-its-cut-of-marijuana-tax-revenue/>

⁸ Lu, R., Willits, D., Stohr, M. K., Makin, D., Snyder, J., Lovrich, N., ... Hemmens, C. (2021). The Cannabis Effect on Crime: Time-Series Analysis of Crime in Colorado and Washington State. *Justice Quarterly*, 38(4), 565–595. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07418825.2019.1666903>

⁹ <https://injurycenter.umich.edu/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Cannabis-Report-2025.pdf>

Ohio's regulatory framework imposes comparable security, surveillance, and compliance requirements, including licensing enforcement and inventory tracking, making dispensaries among the most regulated retail businesses in the state. The argument that legalization of marijuana increases crime rates is anecdotal at best and not supported by research.

V. Youth Access and Public Health

Federal public health data indicates that legalization and regulation do not increase youth marijuana use. Research summarized by the National Institute on Drug Abuse shows that adolescent marijuana use rates have remained stable or declined in states that legalized adult-use marijuana.¹⁰ In fact, even with the legalization of marijuana drug usage among U.S. teens remains at a historic low.¹¹

Licensed dispensaries are subject to mandatory age verification and compliance inspections, and violations can result in license suspension or revocation. These controls are not present in the illicit market, which operates without oversight or enforcement mechanisms.

VI. Moral and Community Values Considerations

In communities with strong moral or religious traditions, opposition to marijuana often reflects concerns about community identity rather than empirical impacts. Allowing a dispensary does not require the Village to endorse or promote marijuana use. It reflects recognition that marijuana is legal under Ohio law and that local regulation and revenue capture are preferable to exclusion.

Maintaining the current ban does not prevent marijuana use within the Village. Instead, it ensures that all associated economic benefits flow to neighboring jurisdictions while Millersburg retains no regulatory control and receives no share of the excise tax revenue.

VII. Council Authority and Legislative Discretion

Ohio law expressly authorizes municipalities to regulate or prohibit marijuana businesses through zoning and ordinance. The prior non-binding ballot issue does not limit the Council's authority to legislate, particularly where circumstances have materially changed. Since that vote, Ohio's adult-use market has matured, verified revenue data is available, and host communities have begun receiving excise-tax distributions. These developments provide a reasonable and legally sound basis for reconsideration.

VIII. Conclusion

Permitting a regulated adult-use marijuana dispensary in Millersburg would provide a recurring source of general-fund revenue, enhance local oversight of a legal market, and align the Village with neighboring municipalities that are already benefiting financially. Available research does not demonstrate increased crime, youth access, or public safety risk. By contrast, maintaining

¹⁰ <https://nida.nih.gov/news-events/news-releases/2025/12/reported-use-most-drugs-remains-low-among-us-teens>

¹¹ *Id.*

the existing prohibition imposes an ongoing fiscal cost on the Village with no demonstrable public benefit.

Precision Cannabis is confident that the Council will make an informed decision rooted in empirical evidence and vote to overturn Village Ordinance 703.01.

EXHIBIT A



**Village of Millersburg-
Citizens Group 2.0**

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◆ Admin **Kelly Hoffee** · Jun 25 ·



**Would you be for or
against a dispensary
in Millersburg?**

77

273 comments

 Like

 Comment

 Send



Trinity Conn

Definitely for! It could help the patients who use it medically so they don't have to travel far from home. It'd also bring in business, as long as it follows the law I see no issues.

10w Like Reply

8



Linda Rauhaus

Trinity Conn that's what I'm saying. It sucks having to travel over an hour.

10w Like Reply

2

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Patricia Yoder

Linda Rauhaus ..

4th and is

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Brooklynn Adkins

FOR! anyone who has been to dispensaries knows how

ESTABLISHMENTS I VE EVER
been in.

10w Like Reply

1 ①

 Write a reply...



Rusty Hebb

If we can have a liquor store
why wouldn't a legally ran
dispensary be ok ? For it.

10w Like Reply

10 ①①



Cody Chaney

Against. Already smell BO/
skunk around here enough

10w Like Reply

10 ①②



Travis Wayne

There are alottttttt of
veterans that use it and have
to travel a county or several
counties away currently.

Contrary to what anyone says
and thinks there are lots of
people, especially veterans
that are benefiting from it.

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**Sarah Myers**

For- since millersburgs all about making city profit now a days why hinder increased local commerce and extra taxes when people are leaving the county to buy and sell anyways 🌟

10w Like Reply

8 0

**Kristy Cool**

For it! It's legal people are gonna get it some where might as well be local!

10w Like Reply

7 0

**Jennifer Crilow** ◊ Admin

I am for almost anything that brings business in to the downtown

10w Like Reply

7 00

**Sean Hoxworth**

Although I don't partake I don't object to a new business. I'm not sure how revenue is provided locally maybe

impose additional sales tax of .25% to 2.25%. There's also a 10% excise tax on non medical purchases, which supports a number of state programs. So locally it would be like any other retail store in providing local taxes. And, of course, its employees would be subject to the Millersburg Income Tax.

10w Like Reply

4 ①

 Write a reply...



Todd Yerian
Against

10w Like Reply

6 ①



Alexis Rolince
For it

10w Like Reply

6 ①



Mary Midose
For, people should shop local.

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★ Level 1 contributor
Mariann Alexander
yeah, I can think of a
few, hypothetically
speaking.

8w Like Reply

 Write a reply...



Susan James

FOR! If you can buy tobacco and alcohol here why can't a person buy marijuana that is also legal here? Plus it keeps the money here. People, including myself will just go spend our money in a different county and when I do I would make the trip worth it, so I would most likely be shopping and eating there also.

10w Like Reply

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Greg Yoder

Susan James well said

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**Desiree Van Sickle Miller**

I am for it. It was passed and why wouldn't millersburg participate in a legal business that would likely be very profitable.

10w Like Reply

5

**Brandie Baker**

It's more safe than buying off the streets

10w Like Reply

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**Jb Barton**

Kelly Hoffee better ask super mayor Adam first...lol

10w Like Reply

20

The comment Jb is replying to has been deleted.

**Jb Barton**

Paul Smail he does so much for the village of Millersburg

10w Like Reply

3



Jb Barton
Frank M Clark just like
you

10w Like Reply



Frank M Clark
Jb Barton - 😊😊😊.
He wears a kilt, enough
said. 😊😊😊

10w Like Reply 1 🌟



Write a reply...



Linda Rauhaus
..FOR!. please save me the trip
to Coshocton and keep my
money in the county I reside
in!!.

10w Like Reply 8 🌟



Kim Shoultz
Linda Rauhaus I'd much
rather Millersburg than
Michigan.

10w Like Reply 2 🌟

"dry" country? No alcohol sales?? Mean alcohol is worse for you than weed is. We can discuss it off line also. Not trying to cause problems asking a question.

10w Like Reply

4 ①



Courtney Roach

I'm for it. Why not bring the money to our county. Whether you are for or against the actual product doesn't matter anymore. It's legal so keep the profits local and provide some jobs too. Seems like a win win to me.

10w Like Reply

4 ①



Barbara Estill

Against

10w Like Reply

4 ①



Katie Burdine

I would be for it we should it would be good thing

**Benjamin Michael Fusek**

For. I don't partake but it's legal now. It would probably bring in more business.

10w Like Reply

4 Ⓛ

**Heidi Clippinger**

We should do it.

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**Laurisa Arnold** ◊ Admin ♀

I don't have a problem with it as long as the business stays within the guidelines of the law.

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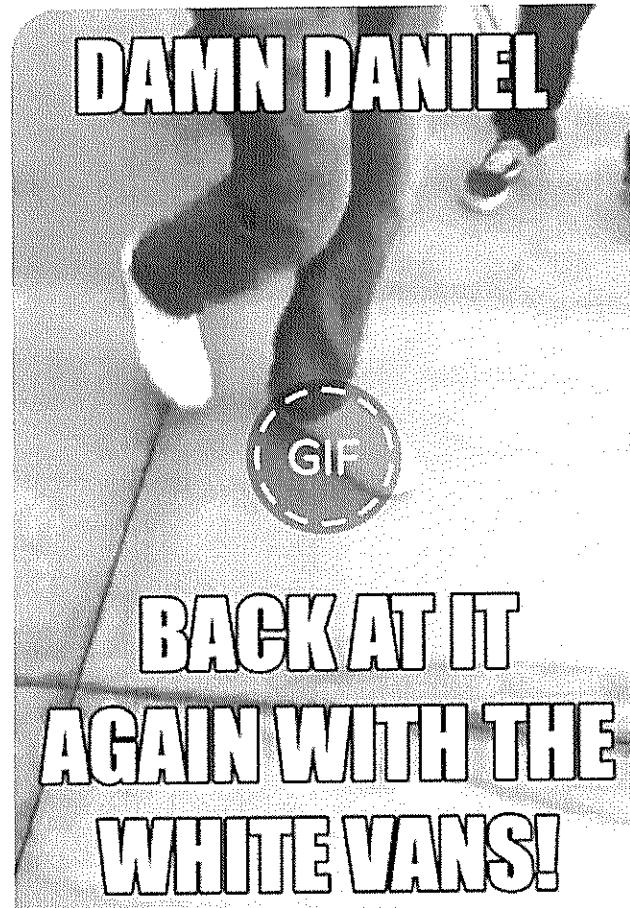
**Josh Shoup**

It don't matter the amount of taxes that will be put on product from a dispensary it will be cheaper to get it from the guy living in a van down by the river

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**Tyler Willis**



GIPHY

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Write a reply...



Michael Young

Only if there's old school supplies. redbud columbian gold Maui Wowie. Thai Stick. black Nepalese opiated finger hash



Mandy Breitenbucher
For it keep the money local

10w Like Reply

2 ①



Linda Rauhaus
Mandy Breitenbucher
exactly!.

10w Like Reply



Write a reply...



Mark Whytsell
Money staying in HOCO or
send it to another county.....
hmmmmmmmmmm

10w Like Reply

3 ①



Linda Beachy Zickefoose
For it!

10w Like Reply

2 ①



Tracy Clark Cooper
Against

10w Like Reply

3 ⏱



Dale Obringer

My thought is always if folks want it they will get it. May as well make it legal and profitable.

10w Like Reply

3 ⏱



Jeremy Eaches
Absolutely for it!!!

10w Like Reply

3 ⏱



Darlene Lint

I could care less - people are going to get it from somewhere so might as well boost the economy in our county but also don't care if it doesn't

10w Like Reply

3 ⏱



Lori Wells Kaser
For it!



April Phillips

For it

10w Like Reply

3 0



Melissa

Compton ★ Level 1 contributor

I don't see any issue with
having one in HC. Look at the
tax money it would generate
for the county.

10w Like Reply

3 0



Gabrielle Hope · Follow

for! would definitely bring in
money and would save those
who partake from driving to
different counties

10w Like Reply

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Scott Frazier

I'm for it only if I can drive my
side by side in town to do the
shopping

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Scott Frazier
Jb Barton Oops

10w Like Reply



Write a reply...



Tracy Merritt
For

10w Like Reply

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Kyle Patterson
For. It is a dispensary that will bring business to the village. It isn't going to change anything else and people will get it anyway, so why not have that income for the village.

10w Like Reply

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Bryce Wilson
For, look at the Tax revenue it could bring in.

10w Like Reply

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Teresa Duncan

For

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2 Ⓛ



Mistie Larson

The county could definitely
make money off of it! I say yes!

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2 Ⓛ



Kelly McQueen

For it

10w Like Reply

2 Ⓛ



Rhonda Chaney

For it!!

10w Like Reply

2 Ⓛ



Kasey Rogers

Absolutely, for it!

10w Like Reply

2 Ⓛ



Matthaetus Ormuseus

For it.

10w Like Reply

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Krista Danae

**FOR FOR FOR! Think of the
money that would bring in!!**

10w Like Reply

2 0



Renae Berman

**For! Keep the money in holmes
county!**

10w Like Reply

2 0



Mariann Alexander

**Absolutely for!! I don't smoke
but I'm all for it, it helps people
so much. It will also bring in a
lot of revenue.**

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Cheri Fleming

For it

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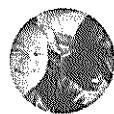


Alyssa Tyser

Definitely for!!!!!!

10w Like Reply

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Brittany Ann Brenneman

For. It would bring more business for everybody

10w Like Reply

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Chloe Roach

For it

10w Like Reply

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Becki Eyler Rohskopf

For it!

10w Like Reply

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Aryn Lay

For it

10w Like Reply

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Arielle D. Croskey

For it

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Jessica Linsten

For it! Think of the revenue it would bring

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Kari Brown

For!

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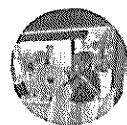


Darrick Hunt

Probably have one in the county somewhere. Like State Liquor stores. Licensing is pricey though. Thinking like 250k.

10w Like Reply

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Karen Conkle ♦ Admin



I'm ok with it.

10w Like Reply

1 Ⓛ



Marc Mellinger

But yes For it

10w Like Reply

1 Ⓛ



Shawnee Patterson

For it.



Seleana Searls

For!!

10w Like Reply

1 Ⓛ



Ruby Stutzman Baird

For

10w Like Reply

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Heather Hamilton Mackey

For it!

10w Like Reply

1 Ⓛ



Jill Goodwill Yoder

for

10w Like Reply

1 Ⓛ



Cindy Boughman

For it

10w Like Reply

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Tina Arnold

For it

10w Like Reply

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Patty Nofsinger

For it

10w Like Reply

1 Ⓛ



Sherri Maxwell

For it. 🎉

10w Like Reply

1 Ⓛ



Jasmine Kelley

For it!

10w Like Reply

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Jennifer Mizer

For

10w Like Reply

1 Ⓛ



Karissa Lynn

For

10w Like Reply

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Mandy Moore

For it

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Kaylee Hoyman
For!

10w Like Reply

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Trina Drake
For it

10w Like Reply

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Brittany Schaefer
We sell alcohol locally, for
those of you against it, I'm
wondering what's the
difference?

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Nichole Schaffter Miller
No

10w Like Reply

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Daisy Lyons
For it

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Michelle Todd
For it!



Gloria Morris

For

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Alicia Renae

For it!

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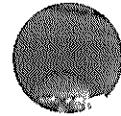


Rachel Butler

For it

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Jeff Garver

For

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Tasha Eyler

For it

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John Mendias

For

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Tricia Maxwell
For it!!

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Jen Fast
For

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Linda Lewis
For it

10w Like Reply

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Loretta Eastep
For it.

10w Like Reply

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Rachel Fayee
FOR!!

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Kathy Graber Myers
So if y'all want to put one in let
me know I'll run it for you
because you know I'm not
going to be smoking your
profits lol

what I was too dumb to buy it back when my boss wanted me to 😊. But I agree with Wes Maxwell if it's done in moderation same as alcohol it would be a good revenue for the town but personally I did not vote for it

10w Like Reply

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Jim Rowe Sr.

Hell ya. Bring it on. Build it right in Millersburg.

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Dusty Lowe

For

10w Like Reply

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Bud Doty

For it

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David Shoup Jr.

For it

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Emily Shoup

For it

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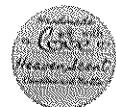


Dave Myers

for it

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Heaven Scent Candles

For!

10w Like Reply

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Kim Shoultz

Amish themed strains, money maker!

10w Like Reply

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Charles Wines

For it

10w Like Reply

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William Stenson

ABSOLUTELY, and it will help weed out some of the illegal drug sellers that we currently have



Marek DeWitt

For! Everybody who wants to do it already does it! Might as well make some money off of it!

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Linda Rauhaus

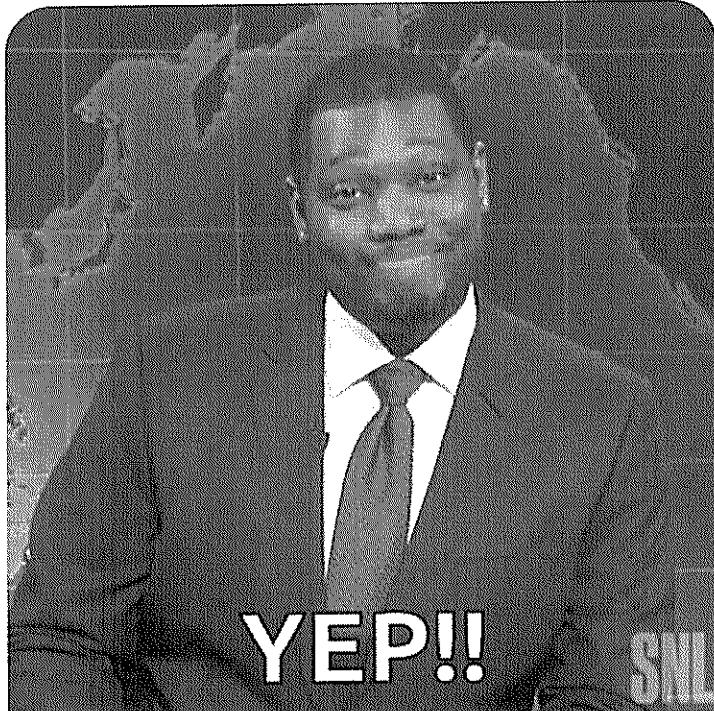
Marek DeWitt



NUFF SAID

TENOR

EVERYONE IS SOMEBODY



TENOR

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Write a reply...



Traci McManaway

For it we need to stop relying
on the corrupt puppy mill
Amish community.

10w Like Reply

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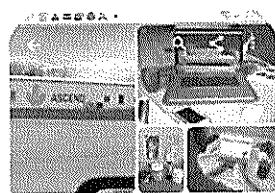
Chris Miller

No!

10w Like Reply



Jennifer Hawkins-Lydic
Really there's one only 30
minutes. They can drive. On
the final side.. Millerburg
would be rich on the sin tax.



Ascend Dispensary -
Coshocton
47 reviews - (513)
Small Business
Coshocton, Ohio in Coshocton County, Ohio
Open

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OH 43812

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Dawn Renae
For it

10w Like Reply



Cassie N Thomas Lovell
For

10w Like Reply

**Stacy Stump**

I vote for it! Everyone is doing it anyway. Bring the money to the town

10w Like Reply

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**Marc Mellinger**

Stacy Stump goober.
Everyone is doing it 😳 😳

10w Like Reply

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Write a reply...

**Corina Brianna**

For

10w Like Reply

**Kimberly Marks**

For it

10w Like Reply

**Elaine Sue Rennie**

Against!!!

10w Like Reply



Lisa Jane

Statement of Votes Cast							
2023 General Election							
Holmes County, Ohio							
Official Canvass							
Official Canvass - 490							

	Turnout			2. Issue 2			Total
	Reg. Voters	Ballots Cast	% Turnout	Reg. Voters	Total Votes	% Yes	
Jurisdiction Totals							
001 Berlin North	672	515	50.4%	812	434	51	10,42%
002 Berlin South	429	418	48.1%	629	419	77	17.7%
003 Clark Township	945	811	52.5%	945	507	30	8.7%
004 Huron Township	1754	722	32.4%	1314	715	218	20.6%
005 Massillon East	1223	616	31.2%	1228	612	248	20.0%
006 Unionville West	640	376	29.0%	638	273	124	37.5%
007 Flame Township	1022	596	54.5%	1022	595	167	28.3%
008 Kilbuck Township	1143	619	53.2%	1145	604	271	45.1%
009 Koon Township	744	421	56.5%	744	412	158	37.8%
010 Mechanics Township	1280	828	49.0%	1285	621	234	37.6%
012 Monroe Township	609	511	53.6%	620	529	187	31.5%
013 Park Township	1289	517	40.2%	1289	532	52	9.7%
014 Richland Township	639	327	31.0%	639	323	44	13.4%
015 Riley Township	1115	658	54.4%	1115	582	238	29.9%
016 Salineola Township	1063	479	35.4%	1063	456	60	13.2%
017 West Creek Township	725	654	51.7%	727	638	103	16.1%
018 Washington Township	1258	538	42.9%	1258	559	198	35.4%
Total	17583	8571	32.1%	17583	8558	2731	31.4%

10w Like Reply



Becky Hoxworth

• Lisa Jane I guess I'm thinking that the people in this group didn't vote. Lol.

Mount Vernon City Council is trying to pass to restrict the sale of it in Mount Vernon.

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Write a reply...

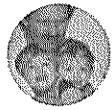


Ken Gingerich
Against



Judi Ramsdell-Hebb
For it.

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Linda Yoder
I

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Rachel Butler
For

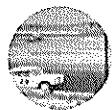
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Allen Yoder
Would go good with all the
pizza choices in town ? 😊

10w Like Reply

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Mike Hensel
I think it doesn't matter when
people are already doing it

10w Like Reply



BJ Smith Hanna Miller
Against!!!!!!!

10w Like Reply



Elizabeth Miller

For it

10w Like Reply



Gabriel O'Brien

For. It'll bring in a new business and tax dollars, which we sorely need, and isn't another pizza place.

8w Like Reply



Alejandro Medinas Montes

Is legal !! I don't care

10w Like Reply



David Brandt

The mayor needs to read /see comments....Kelly needs to be informed regardless of opinion(s) pro /con....opinions are not only one sidedevery one has the opportunity to express an opinion thank you Kelly!!!

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David Brandt

Against

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Bill Cox

Good luck. 😊

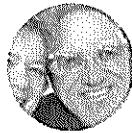
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Mike Hensel

**people are already ready
getting it , So it doesn't really
matter if they have a
dispensary**

10w Like Reply



Frederick Reber

Nice try Millersburg employers



10w Like Reply

10w Like Reply



Michael Young
DUI AND DWI. IN FLORIDA

10w Like Reply



J. Greg Morrison
Commercialization of cannabis
has had unexpected
consequences. Take a look at
this report: [https://
learnaboutsam.org/wp-
content/uploads/
2023/04/2023-Report.pdf](https://learnaboutsam.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-Report.pdf)

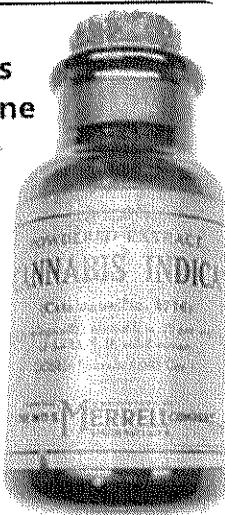
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Darcy Croskey

From 1850 to 1937, cannabis
was used as the prime medicine
for more than 100 separate
illnesses or diseases in U.S.
Pharmacopoeia.



10w Like Reply

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Nathan Troyer

From: Laurisa Arnold <lamoore21464@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2026 10:00 AM
To: Nathan Troyer
Subject: [External] Marijuana Dispensary

The Village of Millersburg Council,

It is VERY disturbing that you want to take away the Village of Millersburg's vote of "NO" for a dispensary in the village. All the hard work that went into getting the Historic Village recognised and all the improvement projects that are coming up. We live in Historic Downtown Millersburg not High Downtown Millersburg! This action will cause lack of trust from the people who voted for you. And even more lack of trust for those who voted against you!

Having a dispensary in the Village will only cause more issues that we already have.

1. More traffic issues.
2. Will the current businesses accept this dispensary? Or, will they want to relocate their business?
3. There is a Teen center in town. How does having a dispensary in the village tell the teens not to do drugs?
4. Marijuana changes from the state of Ohio coming March 1, 2026.

I hope that the current council is drug free while making decisions on the Village of Millersburg's behalf. Drug testing should be mandatory. As a taxpayer, you work for me so this action should be required.

I would like for Council persons Andrea Kellogg and Bob Shoemaker and the unvoted for council person, Adam Barnett, to explain to the voters why THEY want a dispensary. I feel that a town meeting is necessary to hear what business owners and villagers have to say, face to face.

Traffic lights.

We know traffic is an issue. Hopefully the new system will help. But, as Council person, Andrea Kellogg is hyper focused on, pedestrians are in danger!!

Drivers and pedestrians are responsible for their own safety! The village has put safety in place and are continuing to look further into more safety issues. However, Every. Single. Council. Meeting. it is brought up again!!!

1. Have you noticed people do not know how to cross the streets anymore? I have people waiting to cross in front of me when I have the red light!! They just keep pushing the button!!!
2. Common sense tells you that you do NOT cross a street when the left hand light is green!!
3. STOP THE MADNESS!!

My name is Laurisa Arnold
I am a Village of Millersburg citizen and voter

Nathan Troyer

From: Frank Wieczorek <JGRFEDEX11@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 17, 2026 6:26 PM
To: Nathan Troyer
Subject: [External] Marijuana dispensary

Sent from my iPad My name is Frank Wieczorek, my significant other Marcene Cullen live at 118 Quinn Circle Millersburg, Ohio 44654. We both voted NO to a marijuana dispensary in our town, we hope that council would abide by the voters of Millersburg not to approve the dispensary.

Nathan Troyer

From: gary stutzman <gabrstutz@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, January 19, 2026 6:00 PM
To: Nathan Troyer
Subject: [External] A non-resident was called to respond

Generating revenue, are we? This is no win for our County. Don't give in to the "bottom-line's" benefit, what about lives adversely affected.

Yes, the article asked for residents only to comment, forgive me. I sure business will come in from all realms. Best wishes in the New Year.

JAN 20 2026

David P. Doty
468 N Main Anthony St
Millersburg, OH 44654-1168

Jan. 20, 2026

Millersburg Village
Council

We voted NO on marijuana
in November

We vote NO now also.

We do not need a marijuana
dispensary in Millersburg

Village Taxpayers

David Doty

Sharon L. Doty

Nathan Troyer

From: Daniel Fousek <fousekfamily@roadrunner.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2026 10:03 AM
To: Nathan Troyer
Subject: [External] Marijuana Dispensary

I wanted to write to state that I am against having a Marijuana dispensary in Millersburg - in Holmes County. I thought by voting against that in November, as well as all others who voted against it, sent that message. If the resolution was nonbonding, what was the point of voting? I feel marijuana is a Gateway drug and I don't want that for our community members (especially our youth) or our community. I don't want people walking around our town to smell that odor and feel that is what our community is about. That is one of the reasons I live here is to get away from this issue. The town has worked very hard to promote our city/town for tourism and I feel having a dispensary would have a negative impact on our community. If people need or want to get marijuana, they can drive to one of the large neighboring cities to do so.

Thank you.

Lisa and Dan Fousek
1565 W. Buckhorn Dr.
Millersburg, Ohio

Members of Village Council,

I am submitting this statement anonymously because, while I am a resident of the village who lives here, works here, shops here, and deeply cares about our community, I am also a public official who does not feel it is appropriate to speak on this matter in an official or public-facing capacity. I am striving to balance my responsibility to remain neutral in my professional role while still exercising my right to be heard as a resident.

My comments are not driven by strong feelings for or against a marijuana dispensary. Rather, they stem from a concern for the democratic process and the importance of respecting the voice of the residents you serve.

In last fall's advisory election, the greater number of voters expressed opposition to opening a marijuana dispensary in the village. While advisory votes are not legally binding, they represent a clear and deliberate effort by residents to participate in local decision-making. That election was the appropriate time for residents to weigh arguments, consider differing viewpoints, and make their voices heard.

Revisiting those arguments after the fact undermines the purpose of the election itself. Residents who chose not to participate had the same opportunity as those who did, and the responsibility for exercising that right rests with the individual voter. A decision made by those who showed up and voted deserves respect.

I respectfully urge Council to carefully consider not only the policy implications of this decision, but also the precedent it sets regarding how community input is valued. When the outcome of a community vote is set aside, it risks eroding public trust and discouraging future civic engagement. Preserving confidence in local government is essential to the long-term health of our village.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this perspective and for your service to our community.

Respectfully submitted,
A Concerned Village Resident

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING ADULT-USE CANNABIS AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA CULTIVATORS, PROCESSORS, DISPENSARIES, AND RELATED OPERATORS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF MILLERSBURG, OHIO.

WHEREAS, On November 7, 2023, the electors of the State of Ohio approved State Issue 2, which enacted Chapter 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code, legalizing and regulating adult-use cannabis in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the State of Ohio to license adult-use cannabis operators, including cultivators, processors, and dispensaries; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the State of Ohio to license cultivators, processors, testing laboratories, and retail dispensaries of medical marijuana; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 3780.25 expressly authorizes the legislative authority of a municipal corporation to prohibit or limit the number of adult-use cannabis operators within its corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 3796.29 expressly authorizes the legislative authority of a municipal corporation to prohibit or limit the number of medical marijuana cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries within its corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Millersburg possesses authority to regulate land use and exercise local police powers pursuant to Article XVIII of the Ohio Constitution and Chapters 713 and 731 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council finds that marijuana cultivation, processing, and retail dispensing, whether for adult-use or medical purposes, presents land use, infrastructure, public safety, law enforcement, and community character concerns that are incompatible with the Village's existing zoning scheme and development patterns; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council further finds that permitting such uses would not promote the public peace, health, safety, comfort, or general welfare of the residents of the Village of Millersburg; and

WHEREAS, Village Council desires to exercise its express statutory authority to prohibit such uses within the Village limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MILLERSBURG, HOLMES COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below. Where applicable, these terms shall be interpreted consistently with applicable sections of the Ohio Revised Code.

- A. **“Adult-use cannabis operator”** has the same meaning as set forth in Ohio Revised Code Section 3780.01(A)(2), including but not limited to adult-use cannabis cultivators, processors, and dispensaries.
- B. **“Medical marijuana operator”** means any cultivator, processor, testing laboratory, or retail dispensary licensed or seeking licensure under Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- C. **“Marijuana”** means marijuana or cannabis as defined under Ohio Revised Code Sections 3719.01, 3780.01, and 3796.01, as applicable.

SECTION 2. PROHIBITION.

A. Adult-Use Cannabis Prohibited.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3780.25, adult-use cannabis operators are prohibited within the corporate limits of the Village of Millersburg.

B. Medical Marijuana Prohibited.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3796.29, medical marijuana cultivators, processors, testing laboratories, and retail dispensaries are prohibited within the corporate limits of the Village of Millersburg.

C. Scope of Prohibition.

No person or entity shall open, establish, operate, maintain, or expand any facility or business within the Village of Millersburg for the cultivation, processing, testing, or retail dispensing of marijuana, whether for adult-use or medical purposes, regardless of licensure status under state law.

SECTION 3. PERMITS AND APPROVALS PROHIBITED.

No zoning permit, building permit, certificate of occupancy, variance, conditional use permit, business license, or other approval or authorization shall be accepted, processed, approved, or issued by the Village or any Village official for any use prohibited by this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. NONCONFORMING USES AND VESTED RIGHTS.

No use prohibited by this Ordinance shall be deemed a lawful nonconforming use, and no vested rights shall arise based on any application, inquiry, expenditure, or reliance upon prior law.

SECTION 5. NUISANCE AND ENFORCEMENT.

Any use or condition established, maintained, or operated in violation of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and may be enjoined, abated, or otherwise remedied by the Village through any lawful means.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision, section, or clause of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

Dated: _____

Kelly Hoffee, Mayor

Attest:

Bobbie Curry, Fiscal Officer

Thomas R. Gilman, Village Solicitor