



# Gahanna

COUNCIL OFFICE  
VILLAGE RECORDS GRANT PROJECT FINAL REPORT  
FEBRUARY 10, 2025

# Grant Project Summary

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- In April 2024, Council Office was awarded \$2,940 in Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board (OHRAB) grant funds to scan and make accessible historical records.
- In May and June of 2024, ScanWorks and Council Office intern Charlie Schneider scanned Village of Gahanna records dating 1881-1970. These include meeting minutes, ordinances, and resolutions.
- The grant required an online-accessible result. Nearly 4,100 pages were scanned from original books, and meeting minutes are now accessible online. Staff is working on an index of ordinances and resolutions to post online as well.

Before

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Gahanna O.

Dec 23 - '96

A called meeting of the Council for any business that might be brought up. James Ryan made a motion which was seconded by A. Ogden to pay the officers salary. Vote: A. Ogden, James Ryan, A. W. Quinn and Geo. Ogden, Yeas: 4. Nays: none. Motion carried. The Clerk was instructed to present a bill of \$3.00 to the Trustees for rent of council room for election purposes.

E. A. Ogden's resignation as Clerk of Corp. was read and accepted.

A motion carried authorizing the Mayor to appoint a clerk to serve until the Spring election. William C. W. Cochran was appointed. and upon motion of A. W. Quinn seconded by A. Ogden the appointment was duly confirmed. Vote: A. Richertsch, A. Ogden, James Ryan, A. W. Quinn & Geo. Ogden, Yeas: 4. Nays: none. Motion carried. Council then adjourned.

E. A. Ogden  
Clerk.

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# After

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E. A. Ogden  
Clerk.

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City Council meets in Regular Session the 1st and 3rd Monday each month. City Council meets in Committee on the 2nd and 4th Monday each month.

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Gahanna, O.

Oct. 6 - 1881.

Council met for the first time at Mr. Graham's residence and was sworn in by Eli Chrysler J.P. On motion of S. Keiswander L.J. Graham was elected chairman pro temp.

The bond of Clerk was then presented, read, and unanimously accepted by the Council.

The Clerk was then sworn in by E. Chrysler J.P.

The bond of Treasurer was then presented and unanimously accepted by the Council.

# What's next?

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- Our goal is to make the handwritten records searchable!
  - AI transcription services (Transkribus)
  - Volunteers provide written transcriptions that are added to the minutes, making them searchable within our software.
- Digital records are backed up – external drive, network, and within Legistar system.
- The physical records will be moved back to our offsite storage vendor to be kept in an archival-friendly environment and to reduce wear and tear on the records.
- Continue to identify historical records for preservation