

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-03

**AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER J. SHEFFER
AS THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE FREDERICKTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT,
AND WAIVING THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT SET FORTH IN THE
OHIO REVISED CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, on January 5, 2026 the Mayor appointed Christopher J. Sheffer as the Chief of Police for the Village of Fredericktown, which appointment was with the advice and consent of the Village Council; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has recommended that Christopher J. Sheffer be appointed as the Police Chief of the Village of Fredericktown, and requested that the Council waive the residency requirement; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Fredericktown has determined to take action on this matter.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Fredericktown, County of Knox, State of Ohio, two-thirds or more of the members thereto elected concurring that:

Section 1. The Council hereby concurs with and approves the final appointment of Christopher J. Sheffer as the (non-probationary) Chief of Police of the Village of Fredericktown, effective January 12, 2026.

Section 2. The Council has determined that it is appropriate to waive the residence requirement set forth by Ohio Revised Code 737.15 for Christopher J. Sheffer.

Section 3. It is hereby found and determined that all actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. That Council declares this to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, welfare and morals, such emergency arising from the resignation of Chief Tracey A. Myers as of January 11, 2026.

WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____

Jerry Day, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Suzan Graves, Fiscal Officer