

# VILLAGE OF BOLIVAR

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

**MARCH 18, 2019**

The Bolivar Village Council met in special session on **Monday, March 18, 2019**. Mayor Hubble called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Richard Lebold opened the meeting with a prayer. Gettan, Lang Lawver, Lebold, and Vincent answered to roll call. Lloyd was absent.

The Mayor opened by stating tonight on the agenda we have items for discussion as advertised in the paper. The first item is to discuss the Downtown Project and ODOT changes. The Mayor deferred to the Fiscal Officer in regards to the funding outline.

The Fiscal Officer started by going through the sequence of the packets she distributed which included: the agenda, a copy of article submitted to the paper for advertising and a spreadsheet for Council to follow along. App stated she spoke with Greg Gurney at ODOT and Dave Neumeyer at GPD.

App said, in a nutshell the simplest part of this spreadsheet is at the bottom of the summary. The Village share for the Downtown Project, with the OPWC loan and our out-of-pocket in TAP shares will be \$126,820.91.

App went on to review the spreadsheet in greater detail. She noted the previous TAP fund max was \$539,600.00. ODOT was able to obtain an additional \$70,000.00 in TAP funds. The new TAP fund max is now \$609,600. App said when she spoke with Greg Gurney today, he broke it down into portions. There's a TAP portion which is Plan Split One and a Non-TAP portion which is Plan Split Two. Your TAP portion is where we have the 95/5% match. App continued to explain the breakdown in detail as to what each of the Plan Splits amounted to.

In summary, the Villages share will consist of the following: \$31,993.88 which is our 5% TAP fund split then add \$34,827.03 for our non-TAP out of pocket, equaling \$66,820.91. Then we would deduct the \$24,660 that we just paid out to the ODOT Central District to get the bids started. Our balance due to ODOT is \$42,160.41. We don't have to pay that right now, but we will have to pay at some point once ODOT bills us for that.

App stated the bottom line, the Village will be paying \$66,820.91 plus the \$60,000.00 loan to OPWC; totaling \$126,820.91.

The Fiscal Officer referred to the next page in everyone's packets from Dave Neumeyer. The letter explains where things are at and why. Summarizing his letter, App stated no one can predict how bidders will bid. We are in a different climate than what we were a few years ago. When this discussion (re)started in 2016, you have inflation; inflation of wages and cost of goods and materials. Whenever you're dealing with construction, everything is always a variable.

App said she included in Council's packets some documents from ARC and OPWC. The first page is from ARC which is a great summary sheet which highlights everything as to how much each funding source is

paying. It is broken down in detail (based on the old TAP funds) the amounts to be used for TAP and non-TAP funds. App further explained the Village share went up an additional \$42,160 and ODOT was able to get an additional \$70,000 in TAP funding.

App said she has, for those who are interested since Gettan and Lawver weren't on Council, a timeline of where and how things got to this point. App said the reason she is bringing this up and why it's important is because it was mentioned at one point in time what the project was thought to cost; which we would have been way off the mark. There was a mix up with some funding so the Village ended up having to pay more out of their pocket.

App went on to state, Council has three (3) options tonight which are highlighted at the bottom. Option one is to appropriate the additional \$42,160.41 and move forward with the project. Option two would be to cancel the whole thing but if you did that, the Village would still have to pay back OPWC the amount they already paid in engineering fees which is \$85,521. Or the third option would be to re-bid the project and start over which would be pure risk. Who knows what prices will be a year from now or down the road. You would have inflation of wages as well as cost of goods of supplies and materials. App concluded by saying she provided an outline.

Vincent said she was following through but wanted to know the overall difference with all of this. App said, the difference is \$42,160.41. App said this is additional to what we were initially told.

The Mayor explained we had seven (7) bidders on the project. Unfortunately, all of the bids came in much higher than ODOT anticipated. App said the bids ranged from \$914,000 to \$1,198,000. The Mayor added, when she talked to Greg Gurney, he said what drove the cost up is the fact that our project has a lot of little components within a project. There are multiple contractors involved in the total project.

The Mayor reiterated what the Fiscal Officer previously stated; Council needs to decide how they want to proceed forward. She added, at the end of the project when it's closed out, there could be two outcomes. One, we could get some money back or two, we may still owe some money.

Lang asked if the \$42,000 is an Ordinance or Resolution. It was noted it would be a resolution to appropriate the additional funds. Lang went on to ask if it was going to be appropriated out of Capital or General Fund since we may not have enough in Capital. App said her understanding is the increase was for the water portion of the project. App went on to note that Council previously allocated \$37,500.00 from Capital so now we would need to split it up to the proper funds.

App added, another driving force for increased costs to the project is due to the \$1,500.00+ catch basins at each bump out along with the curbing as well as the lighting.

Lang moved, seconded by Lebold to approve **a Resolution, R-5-2019, to amend appropriations in the amount of \$42,160.41 in the water fund.** In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes.

The next item on the agenda is to approve some general expenses. The first item is for the registration for Tree City USA. There are three registrations at \$25.00 each; totaling \$75.00. Lebold moved, seconded by Lawver to approve the expense. In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes.

The last item on the agenda is the CPIM training for the Fiscal Officer. It will be in Columbus on April 11, 2019. The cost is \$329.00 which includes the conference, hotel, parking, food and mileage. App stated

she just received the notice for this training on March 8 which was after the regular council meeting. Lebold moved, seconded by Lawver to approve the expense. In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes.

There being no further business, Gettan moved, seconded by Lang to adjourn until the next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, April 1, 2019. In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. The meeting adjourned 6:07p.m.

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Mayor Rebecca Hubble

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Attest: Maria App

Fiscal Officer