

# VILLAGE OF BOLIVAR

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

December 16, 2019

The Bolivar Village Council held a special session on **Monday December 16, 2019**. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 5:25 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Lloyd opened the meeting with a prayer. Gettan, Lang, Lloyd, Lawver and Vincent all answered to roll call. Lebold was absent.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AS ADVERTISED IN THE TIMES REPORTER NEWSPAPER WERE:**

Approval of temporary appropriations and reviewing Village insurance premiums.

#### **The following ordinances receiving second readings:**

- Contract Services for the Tuscarawas County Library
- Contract Services for Inmate Housing at the Tuscarawas County Jail
- Ordinance establishing a Share Percentage for Health Insurance Costs for Village employees
- Contract Services with the Tuscarawas County Commissioners regarding the purchase of water

#### **The following ordinances receiving third and final readings:**

- Contractual Services of Legal Counsel for the Village of Bolivar
- New contract with the Village of Zoar to provide Police Protection Services through 2022

Other business includes discussing 2020 raises, caps and minimums, general expenditures and amending appropriations.

An executive session will follow for the purpose of personnel to discuss employment, compensation and/or promotion/demotion of public employees. Action may be taken.

Gettan made a motion that was seconded by Vincent to approve a **RESOLUTION for temporary appropriations as presented by the Fiscal Officer in the amount of \$204,060.00**. In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. **R-23-2019**.

Council had a **second reading** on an **Ordinance for Contract Services for the Tuscarawas County Public Library** for a period of 5 years with utility reimbursing set at \$3,000.

Council had a **second reading** on an **Ordinance to authorize the Mayor and Fiscal Officer of the Village of Bolivar to execute the agreement between the Village of Bolivar and the Tuscarawas County Commissioners to provide Inmate Housing at the Tuscarawas County jail.**

Independent Contractor Maria App briefed council on the impact to the Village and village employees concerning costs for health insurance premiums. She presented a spreadsheet detailing the costs with establishing a cap that the Village would pay versus a set percentage. Council discussed at length the difference options and requested the Solicitor move forward in drafting an Ordinance establishing the percentage rates of 80/20 with no cap. Any differences in premium paid due to using the 2019 pay schedule, in December for January payment will be reconciled by the Fiscal Officer in January.

Council had a **second reading** on an **Ordinance to establish a share percentage for health insurance coverage for the Village employees and to amend section 12.3 of the Village of Bolivar's policies and procedures manual.**

Council had a **second reading** on an **Ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Bolivar to enter into an agreement with the Tuscarawas County Commissioners for the purpose of purchasing bulk water.**

The Solicitor stated a **third and final reading is necessary for an Ordinance O-35- 2019 providing for the contractual services of legal counsel for the Village of Bolivar as Village Prosecutor (Fitzpatrick, Zimmerman, and Rose).** Vincent made the motion to approve **Ordinance O-35-2019**, the motion was seconded by Lang. In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Ordinance passed.

The Solicitor stated a **third and final reading on an Ordinance O-36-2049 to approve a new contract with the Village of Zoar to provide police services for Zoar through the year 2022.** Gettan made the motion to approve **Ordinance O-36-2019**, the motion was seconded by Lloyd. In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Ordinance passed.

Council held a brief discussion on caps and minimums. Maria App presented Ordinance O-98-2014; approved June 2, 2014 giving a summary on the current caps and minimums. She also presented two pay raise ordinances introducing a .25 cent and .50 cent raises. App stated this cannot be presented as an ordinance because it was not advertised in the newspaper as an ordinance, but council can discuss. Mayor Hubble requested council to review the department heads salary caps as the Village has 3 department heads and she felt these rates should be more closely linked. Gettan questioned where the information to establish the current caps was taken from and when they were last updated. Maria App stated research was done on approximately 10 different municipalities of the same size. App said the summary page has recommendations for council to review. Lang stated the Village of Bolivar is par with several other Villages of the same size. Mayor Hubble said this will be taken up in Finance committee in January where decisions will need to be made.

Mayor Hubble said staff has requested an appropriation to purchase a vacuum cleaner for the municipal buildings, not to exceed \$180.00. She asked that council approve the payment of taxes for an on-line purchase if coupons could be used to cover the tax amount and result in a

savings. Gettan made the motion to approve the purchase, and Lloyd seconded. In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes.

Mayor Hubble requested funding of \$625.00 for the Ohio Basic Code 2020 Fee for the Police Department. Gettan made the motion to allow the purchase, the motion was seconded by Vincent. In a roll call vote, all present voted yes.

Mayor Hubble requested a motion to **amend appropriations**. Interim Fiscal Officer Smith briefed council stating \$500 in the General Fund will be reduced in the Legal Line item and \$500 will be increased in the General Fund Misc Line item to satisfy expenses to year end. Gettan made the motion to support the amendment, and the motion was seconded by Vincent. In a roll call vote, all present voted yes. **R-24-2019**.

Lawver made a motion for council to enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel to discuss employment, compensation and/or promotion/demotion of public employees. Action may be taken. The motion was seconded by Gettan. In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Council adjourned to executive session at 5:58pm.

Council returned from executive session at 7:50pm. No action was taken in executive session.

Gettan made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Vincent. In a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm.

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Mayor Rebecca S. Hubble

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ATTEST: Patty Smith, Interim Fiscal Officer

**Approved:**