Bowerston Village Council

Regular Meeting Tuesday, August 19, 2025

Village Officials Attendance: Polly Wolfe, Jon Humphrey, Juliet Bryant, Chase Bryany. Paula Beamer, Janeen Scott, Bart Busby, Jeremiah Warner, Jacquie Humphrey and JJ Ong.

Karen Donovan: Absent, notified Mayor prior to meeting

Visitors: Matt Miller of Quicksall, Heath Odar of HM Miller.

Call To Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Council

Paula noted a letter of resignation from Karen Donovan, Julie made motion to accept, Chase seconded, unanimous with regret.

Janet Hanlon present to express an interest in Council, Jon made motion to appoint Janet to the seat vacated by Donovan, term expires December 31, 2025, Julie seconded, unanimous.

JJ administered oath of office to Janet

Loan/Grant Status Reports:

1, Sewer Bids Matt explained, attached.

2. Garage Roof Bids, 4 bids received.

Matt Miller presented updates to Council (attached) on various projects being bid for the Village.

1. Bid Opening on August 12th for various tasks. (attached) Matt explained which bids are viable after review.
2. Matt said that he had reached out to the EPA for advice because the Village has an EPA loan and explained the options.
3. A discussion took place regarding the options. JJ advised to get this done as quickly as possible.
4. JJ advised for Council to approve a motion to Keep HM Miller (Heath Oder of Miller was present) and rebid the other. Julie made motion to do this, Chase seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
5. Matt reported that wellsite testing will begin soon, JJ inquired as to what will be determining factors.
6. Matt explained Garage Roof project bids. County View Construction of Holmesville Ohio is recommended.
7. Jon made motion to accept the bid in the amount of $93,500.00, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
8. Bart said that he has talked to the contractor about possible cost saving opportunities. Mr. Miller advised that the architect need to be notified before any changes are made.

Approval of regular July minutes: Julie made motion, Jon seconded, unanimous.

Pending and/or New Legislation:

1. Third and Final Reading of Ordinance 05-2025, Golf Cart legislation. Jon made motion to approve, Jon seconded, unanimous.
2. Ordinance 09-2025 RITA Income Tax, pass as emergency measure. Chase inquired what the “kinks” in Paula’s report refer to. Paula explained that this will be an adjustment for our residents. Income tax preparers can do these, can be filed online or by paper. Julie made motion to suspend the rules, Chase seconded, unanimous. Julie made motion to pass ordinance, Jon seconded, unanimous.
3. Resolution 22-2025, Authorizing Mayor to enter into Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLS) on behalf of Village. Chase made motion, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
4. Resolution 23-2025, Approving opening program and object codes, in the General Fund, for Garage Roof Replacement Project. Julie made motion, Polly seconded, unanimous by roll call vote

Mayor’s Report:

1. Report attached, Jon made motion to accept Paula’s, Julie seconded, unanimous.

Village Administrator’s Report:

1. Attached, Chase inquired as to how the new employee is doing. Bart and Jeremiah both reported that Mr. Reed will be doing weekend rounds on his own soon. Julie made motion to accept, Chase seconded, unanimous. William Reed was hired at the rate of $18.50 per hour after the July meeting of Council.

Utility Clerk’s Report:

1, Attached, Polly made motion to accept, Julie seconded, unanimous.

Income Tax Administrator’s Report:

1. None this month.

Fiscal Officer’s Report:

1. Attached, Jacquie discussed her report, JJ suggested looking into StarOhio. No action taken on the Sweep account at this time Jon made motion to approve Jacquie’s report, Julie seconded, unanimous.

Solicitor’s Report:

1. JJ said that he will present a written report, the Thursday prior to the monthly meeting, beginning in September.
2. JJ reported that he is working on a cyber security plan, that is required for all Villages and will have more information soon.
3. Paula inquired about the deeds to the properties that the Village got from the County, JJ will follow up.
4. Polly made motion to accept JJ’s report, Julie seconded, unanimous.

Old Business:

1. None, Jacquie reminded all that the Fire Department’s annual chicken barbeque and car show is September 1.

New Business:

1. None

Adjournment: Julie made motion to adjourn, 6:43, Jon seconded, unanimous.

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Jacquie Humphrey, Fiscal Officer Paula Beamer, Mayor