

RESOLUTION NUMBER 5 - 2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF AN “EMPLOYEE DISHONESTY AND FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF DUTY POLICY” THROUGH THE PUBLIC ENTITIES POOL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Village is a member of a Public Entities Pool (PEP), a political subdivision risk pool established pursuant to Ohio' Revised Code hereinafter Ohio Rev. C. Section 2744.081;

WHEREAS, House Bill 291 was signed into law on December 20, 2018 and became effective March 20, 2019;

WHEREAS, said House Bill 291 above authorizes the use of an, “employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy,” instead of individual surety bonds, for trustees, employees, and appointees who are otherwise required by law to acquire a bond before entering upon the discharge of duties; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Ohio Rev. C. Section 3.061, the Village may adopt a policy by resolution to allow the use of an “employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty” coverage document, rather than a surety bond, to cover loss by fraudulent or dishonest actions of employees and failure of employees to faithfully perform duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Shreve, Wayne County, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1: That the Village is authorized to purchase and use an “employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy” through PEP instead of individual surety bonds for officers, employees, and appointees who are otherwise required by law to acquire a bond before entering upon the discharge of duties. The following terms shall apply to the policy:

- A. An officer, employee, or appointee shall be considered qualified to hold the office or employment, without acquiring a bond, on the date the oath of office is taken, certified, and filed as required by law.
- B. An officer, employee, or appointee shall have the policy in effect before the individual's term of office or employment and the officer, employee or appointee shall not commence the discharge of duties until coverage is documented.
- C. All officers, employees, or appointees who would otherwise be required to file a bond before commencing the discharge of duties shall be covered by and are subject to the employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy instead of a surety bond requirement.

- D. The coverage amount for an officer, employee, or appointee under an employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy shall be equal to or greater than the maximum amount of the bond otherwise required by law.
- E. Elected officials, prior to taking the oath of office and holding office, shall obtain approval of the intent to use the PEP coverage agreement and affirm that the public entities coverage complies with ORC 3.061. Said approval shall be obtained by the Village.

Section 2: That this Resolution is in the best interests of the Village of Shreve and its residents.


Section 3: That the aforesaid recitals are rendered to be the findings of this Council and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution.

Section 4: That this Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council which resulted in formal action were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with the applicable legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.


Section 5. That this Council hereby finds and declares this Resolution to be, so long as it receives the necessary 2/3 vote of Council, an emergency and immediately effective upon passage because this Resolution is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the Village.

4/20/26

 Approved On



 Josiah Martin, Mayor



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 President of Council

Attestation:

I, Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Shreve, Wayne County, Ohio do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 5 - 2026 is a correct copy of the Resolution passed by a **majority/two-thirds** vote of members of the members of the Village of Shreve Council, which Resolution was duly passed by the Council of the Village of Shreve, and approved by Mayor of the Village of Shreve, County of Wayne, and State of Ohio on 20th day of, APRIL, 2026 given under my hand the official seal this this 20th day of, APRIL 2026.

by:  _____, Leah Weirick Fiscal Officer