



Village of Botkins Council Meeting

Administration Bldg. – Council Chambers

Wednesday, April 8, 2026 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / INVOCATION

Mayor Lance Symonds called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation followed.

ROLL CALL

Members answering roll call: Craig Brown, Kevin Market, Jake Roberts, Nick Greve and Christian Petek. Also in attendance: Village Administrator Randy Purdy and Fiscal Officer Hannah Paul.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the evening's agenda as presented: Brown – first; N. Greve – second. All voted in favor - motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 25, 2026, MEETING

Motion to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2026, meeting as presented: Petek – first; Roberts – second. All voted in favor - motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 2026 FINANCIAL REPORTS AND STATEMENTS

Motion to approve the March 2026 financial reports and statements: Brown – first; Petek – second. All voted in favor - motion carried.

GENERAL COMMENTS

SPECIAL GUESTS

- County Commissioner Julie Ehemann was in attendance to campaign for the upcoming election. She highlighted her accomplishments over the years.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BCIC

- No updates.

JOINT RECREATION BOARD

- The annual Easter egg hunt was cancelled due to weather.
- They will meet next week and they will be discussing the Carousel breakfast.

FINANCE/AUDIT

- Council payroll for quarter one of 2026 will be posted this Friday.

SERVICE

- No updates.

FIRE & SAFETY

- The new police cruiser is in and is being outfitted. It should go into rotation in the next two weeks.



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- They discussed whether the old cruiser should be sold to a municipality as a police cruiser or if we should put the car out to bid for anyone.
- The fire department chicken dinner is April 25th. Dinners will be \$11 each.
- A firefighter was injured on a call in March but is doing well.
- They discussed the parade route for Carousel. Chief Jordan has been directed to contact the Community Club for further discussion.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Admin Purdy has asked that Council tables the third reading for Ordinance 26-07. He has not gotten the necessary documentation from the schools for the Village to pass our legislation.
- There is new legislation on the agenda tonight that will change our zoning code to prohibit data centers within the Village.
- Saw cutting will take place on South Street in the coming weeks. This will make for easier removal once the project gets started.
- Materials for the South Street project will be staged at the lift station as they come in.
- The salt bin replacement is in process.
- A company was in the Village today to do crack sealing.
- We had to purchase a new printer for the office. It should be here within a month. The company is going to give us a loaner in the meantime.
 - Quarterly newsletters have been delayed since we cannot currently print anything.
- ODOT will not be cleaning the SW hill of entrance ramp. It is too steep and they cannot maintain it.
 - If we can clear it once, the township has the equipment to help us maintain it.
 - It is private property so we cannot currently maintain it ourselves.
 - Council wants Admin Purdy to speak with the property owners.
- First round of nuisance letters are almost ready to go out.
- Connor will be out for a while as they just had their baby.

Purdy closed the Admin Report pending any Council questions – Nothing was heard.

MAYOR'S NOTES

- The Mayor attended the Shelby County Mayors' meeting on March 30th. They discussed the projects everyone is working on.
- The second public forum for the Joint Ambulance District was held in Jackson Center on April 6th. The next meeting will be in Botkins on April 20th.
- Mayors hours will be this Saturday from 9-11am.

ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS

Ordinances / Resolutions were read by title.

FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 26-09: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 153.006 AND 153.037 OF THE VILLAGE OF BOTKINS ZONING CODE TO DEFINE AND PROHIBIT DATA CENTERS

THIRD READING

ORDINANCE NO. 26-07: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT WITH D & T BERGMAN PROPERTIES, LLC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion to table the third reading for Ordinance No. 26-07: N. Greve – first; Petek – second. All voted in favor - motion carried.



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RESOLUTION NO. 26-08: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY AND A POLICE VIDEO RECORDS POLICY FOR THE VILLAGE OF BOTKINS

Motion to approve Resolution No. 26-08: N. Greve – first; Roberts – second. All voted in favor - motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- There is a house on South Street that is spilling water into the road. Councilmen Brown would like us to investigate if there is a possible leak prior to the meter.

OLD BUSINESS

- Pole Maintenance – An updated list has been sent to AES. Waiting for updates from them.
- South Street Phase II Project – We should not get an update on funding until late spring.
- STAR Ohio Daily Rate: 3.8%

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Roberts- first; Petek- second. All in favor – motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hannah Paul - Fiscal Officer

Lance Symonds – Mayor

4/29/26

Approved