



**Village of Botkins Council Meeting**  
Administration Bldg. – Council Chambers  
**Tuesday, March 10, 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, Lucas Greve, Kevin Market, 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: Petek – first; Market– second. All voted in favor - motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 25, 2026, MEETING**

Motion to approve the minutes from the February 25, 2026, meeting as presented: Market – first; L. Greve – second. All voted in favor - motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 2026 FINANCIAL REPORTS AND STATEMENTS**

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

**GENERAL COMMENTS**

**SPECIAL GUESTS**

- Chief Jordan was in along with new night officer Tony Sells. Tony was introduced to council.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**BCIC**

- No updates.

**JOINT RECREATION BOARD**

- The first meeting will be held March 18<sup>th</sup>.
- The grant has been submitted to replace the ball fencing at the Community Park.
  - We have invited Susan Manchester to take a tour of the park, ahead of the State budget approval.
  - If we receive the grant, the project will take place in 2027 or 2028.
- Admin Purdy has asked for an update on when the pickleball nets will arrive. He is working on getting painting scheduled for the courts and will need the nets in by then.

**FINANCE/AUDIT**

- Medical Mutual renews on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Our renewal has increased by 9.83%
  - There was a 0% increase last year.
  - Council approved the increase and renewal.
- Fiscal Officer Paul will be at the Local Government Conference next Thursday and Friday.

**SERVICE**



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- No updates.

### FIRE & SAFETY

- The next meeting will be on the 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The Mayor met with Chief Glass to discuss the grass truck.
  - The additional \$10,000 was to paint the entire truck, not just the back panels. They were able to decrease the cost of the paint job by \$3,600.
  - Current coverage is around \$12,600.
  - Chief Glass will not be getting new hose or turnout gear this year to make up for the overage cost. He will be seeking grants to cover these items instead.
  - The Mayor gave approval for them to move forward with the additional costs.

### VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- South St phase 1 will begin around March 30<sup>th</sup> pending weather.
  - They will begin by removing existing concrete followed up water lime replacement.
  - They will move on to undercutting and road prep after that.
  - Once we get to the asphalt phase of the project, they will also go around town and do asphalt patching.
- Phase 2 funding should be announced in April / May.
- We received notice from the City of Wapakoneta and Air Tow that Air Tow will be moving all operations to Wapakoneta.
  - They plan to sell or rent the buildings in the industrial park.
  - There are restrictions in place for property tax abatement if property is left empty.
  - We will lose some income tax revenue.
    - Council asked if we should re-consider putting in the road at the industrial park. Admin Purdy advised he would still suggest putting in the road because it does hinder selling the lots that currently have no road to them.
- We have two public forums coming up:
  - Zoning public forum on March 18<sup>th</sup> at the Palazzo.
  - Rescue District forum on April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Palazzo.
- Legislation on the agenda tonight:
  - First reading for the fee schedule for body cam footage.
  - First reading for a CRA.
- Councilmen Market asked if we received anything from ODOT regarding the weed cleanup around interstate. Admin Purdy will reach out.

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

### MAYOR'S NOTES

- The Mayor will not be having office hours this weekend.
- Rescue District public forums have been scheduled. There will be three public forums held.
- Cole Park Updates:
  - Pickleball nets are up.
  - The playground is currently under construction.
  - The fencing that flanks the diamond are up.
  - New fencing on little Cole Field is up. A big thank you to Youth Baseball for handling this project.
  - We still plan to do a dedication at Carousel 2026.
  - The Beautification Club has been tasked with designing a new sign.



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- Potential name for the park is “Cole Field Park.”

**ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS**

Ordinances / Resolutions were read by title.

**FIRST READING**

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

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

- The Mayor asked Admin Purdy to reach out to Jackson Center to do a street sweep through town.
- Admin Purdy wanted to remind residents that we do not do leaf pick up in the spring. We will be resuming brush and limb pick up soon. He will do a social media posting.
- Boomerang’s first silo is up

**OLD BUSINESS**

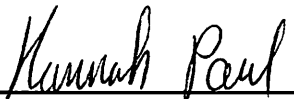
- Pole Maintenance – An updated list has been sent to AES. Waiting for updates from them.
- South Street Phase II Project – We should not get an update on funding until late spring.
- Zoning Code Updates – Public forum is set for March 18<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT**

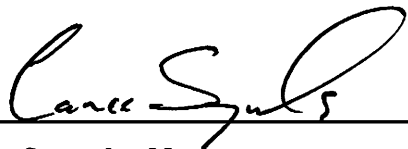
Motion to adjourn: Petek- first; L. Greve - second. All in favor – motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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**Hannah Paul - Fiscal Officer**

  
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**Lance Symonds – Mayor**

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**Approved**