

# Approved

October 15, 2018

## REGULAR MEETING VILLAGE OF PIGEON COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Village of Pigeon Council was held on Monday, October 15, 2018.

President Michael LePage called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Members Present: President Michael LePage, Trustees Dale Collison, Michael Wehner, Rob Chandonnet, Matthew Esch and Marc Hill.

Members Absent: Kent Shetler

Also in attendance: Pigeon Police Chief Eric Wissner, Pigeon Department of Public Works Superintendent Thomas Buschlen, Village Superintendent/Clerk Steven Corrion, Allen Collison, Shelly Gunden and Ken Licht

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Wehner; second by Esch to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2018 Regular Meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **Public Input: none**

### **Police Operations Report:**

Chief Wissner gave highlights of some ongoing investigations by the department.

President LePage explained that the Ad hoc Hiring Committee consisting of President LePage, Esch, Chandonnet, Corrion, Wissner and Buschlen had conducted interviews with the two individuals that had submitted resumes for the Police/DPW Position.

### Following Discussion

A motion was made by Hill; second by Wehner to approve a starting wage of \$20.25 per hr for the Police/DPW Position and approve the committee extending an offer to the best qualified candidate for the position. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **DPW Operations Report:**

Village DPW Superintendent Buschlen highlighted some of the month's activities.

### **Finance Report:**

President LePage presented the Deficit Reduction Plan for the Trunkline Fund.

### Following Discussion

A motion was made by Wehner; second by Hill to approve the Trunkline Fund Deficit Reduction Plan as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Corrion presented the 2018 Treasurer Report. The village had a collection rate of 95.24%.

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Esch; second by Collison to approve the 2018 Treasurer Report as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

President LePage explained that because of Public Act 152 the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act villages, townships and cities have 3 choices for funding employee health coverage, the "Hard Cap", the 80/20 and the Complete Opt-Out. If a municipality chooses to go with the 80/20 or the Complete Opt-Out, they need to vote to do so by a 2/3rds vote every year before the start of the health insurance contract. There is no penalty for going with the 80/20 or the Opt Out.

President LePage read aloud "A Resolution Electing to Comply with the Provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011 by exercising the Village's right to exempt itself from the requirements of the act for the next succeeding year".

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Chandonnet; second by Wehner to approve the Resolution Electing to Comply with the Provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011 by exercising the Village's right to exempt itself from the requirements of the act for the 2019 year. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

President LePage explained the Finance Committee had reviewed new Blue Cross Employee Health Insurance Plan.

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Collison; second by Esch to approve Blue Cross Blue Shield Simply Blue 1350 HSA, with the village contributing \$1,750.00 for Families and \$875.00 for Singles in a HSA Account. The village will continue the employee Health Insurance participation of 15% of the total cost of premiums, on a weekly basis. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

President LePage reviewed the street paving quotes to pave Sanford St, Merrick St and Moeller St.

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Esch; second by Wehner to approve Ace-Saginaw Paving, paving Sanford St, Merrick St and Moeller St. at a cost of \$124,665.08. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Accounts Payable:**

Corrion presented the Accounts Payable Report of \$97,950.42 to council for September 19, 2018 to October 15, 2018.

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Collison; second by Hill to accept the Accounts Payable of \$97,950.42 to council for September 19, 2018 to October 15, 2018. All Ayes. Motion Carried. (See Accounts Payable Ledger)

**Other Business:**

President LePage explained that he would like to add the title of Personnel Committee to the Finance Committee. The ordinance would need to be amended.

Following Discussion

Council advised Corrion to draft an amendment to ordinance to add the title of Personnel Committee to the Finance Committee for council to approve.

President LePage congratulated Collison on his almost 23 year tenure on the Village Council.

President LePage reviewed the progress of the front facade of VFW Hall. He also noted that the Deed has been signed to the Village of Pigeon.

A motion was made by Collison; second by Wehner to adjourn the meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm

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Michael LePage, President

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Steven Corrion, Clerk