

**BOLIVAR
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, January 8, 2019 @ 7:30p.m.**

Helen Dettmer, Mayor
Sarah Gordon
John Paul Heafer-Mayor Pro Tem
Stephen J. Paradis
Jerry Powell
Scott Whetsell
P. Jean Reed, Recorder

Mayor Dettmer asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence and to remember former Town Council Member Donna Callar. Mrs. Callar was very instrumental helping develop The Bolivar Children's Park. She also helped restore the Spring House located in the park. Mrs. Callar spent endless hours on the Spring House and the Children's Park. She will be sadly missed. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Bolivar Town Council was called to order by Mayor Helen Dettmer on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 @7:30p.m.

Treasurers Report

Eric Lewis presented the Treasurers Report. Property Taxes are @64%. Gaming income is at 57% and Video Lottery is at 69%. Most everything is on target. Mr. Lewis reported we took in \$210,591 and spent \$186,103, leaving a Net Income of \$24,487 for the first six months of the year. Mr. Lewis said we need to keep our eye on Street Lights (#751) under expenses as we are @68%. Please see attached copy of the Treasurers Report for complete details. **Councilperson Scott Whetsell moved to accept the Financial Report as presented by Eric Lewis. Councilperson John Paul Heafer seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

Minutes:

Approval of Minutes of the December 4, 2018 Regular Meeting

Councilperson John Paul Heafer moved to approve the Minutes for the December 4, 2018 Regular Meeting as presented. Councilperson Jerry Powell seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Attendee Concerns:

1. Chris Brunton asked for guidance concerning the Hotel Motel Tax and the collection of this tax. Mayor Dettmer and Town Administrator Laura Whittington said we do not have complete paperwork at this time. As soon as we get it we will share it with everyone concerned. Mayor Dettmer said you need to collect the tax.

Councilperson Steve Paradis asked if we would have to appropriate money to pay Sheriff Dougherty for the collection of this tax. Mayor Dettmer said yes.

Town Attorney, Effie Kallas

Attorney Kallas reviewed with the Planning Commission about one-half of the updates to the Ordinances concerning the Planning Commission. We hope to finish the updates at our next meeting.

Also, I will be sending information concerning the Liquor Tax to the State Tax Commissioner. And the Intergovernmental Act with Sheriff Pete on Tax Collection.

Attorney Kallas indicated possible payment to Sheriff Pete of \$1,000.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Dettmer asked Recorder Reed to about the June Election.

- Any person wishing to seek office in the upcoming June Town Election may do so during the period of January 14 – January 26, 2019. The Municipal Candidate's Certificate of Announcement can be picked up during regular business hours at Bolivar Town Hall. The positions of Mayor, 5 Council Members and Town Recorder are available. The form must be signed, notarized and received/post-marked by January 26, 2019.
- Steve Paradis was unable to attend the Marc Train Meeting. Mayor Dettmer will attend a meeting in January for Marc Train
- Urban Deer Hunt is drawing to a close. They have taken 10 deer in the hunt and 8 deer have been struck by cars in Bolivar.
- We have a commercial kitchen here and we are going to need a new fire suppression tank according to the Fire Marshall at a cost of \$921. This is not in our budget.
- Received a note from the Harpers Ferry Foundation that they are doing their 2019 Membership Drive if anyone is interested.

Sheriff's Department Report and Public Comment

There were about 129 recorded calls of service for Bolivar during December, 2018. The breakdown included: 90 directed patrols, 3 Animal Complaints, 1 Break/Enter Vehicles NIP, 2 Domestic Violence Complaint, 2 Drug Activity NIP, 1 Follow up visit, 1 Noise Complaint, 1 Overdose, 1 Reckless Drive, 1 Suspicious Activity, 2 Suspicious Vehicle, 7 Traffic Stops, 1 Civil Process issues, 1 Welfare Check, 2 Miscellaneous, 1 Citizen Assist, 1 Child Abuse, 3 Disturbance Calls, 1 Fraud Complaint, 1 Intoxicated Driver, 1 Psychiatric Emergency, 1 Public Service Call, 2 911 Hang Up, 1 Traffic Hazard, 3 Theft NIP, 1 Trespassing, 1 Civil Process/Writ Service. During the part calendar year 2018 Jefferson County Sheriff's Department responded to 1,540 actions.

Committee Reports

Street Committee (John Paul Heafer)
Nothing to report

Bolivar Planning Commission (Steve Paradis)

- Rock Wheeler provided new plans for a deck. They were presented and met the approval of John Garza.
- Attorney Kallas went through the Ordinances relying on the State Code. We hope to finish these changes this month.

Mayor Dettmer thanked everyone for all their hard work.

Parks & Recreation Committee
No report this month

Old Business

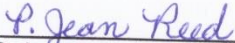
1. Appointment of Member to Canal Town Partnership
Councilperson Sarah Gordon moved to appoint Gary Hill as a Member to Canal Town Partnership. Councilperson Steve Paradis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

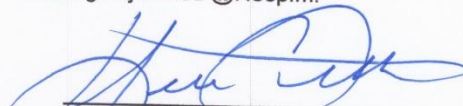
New Business
Nothing to report

Adjournment

Councilperson John Paul Heafer moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson Jerry Powell seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned @7:58p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


P. Jean Reed, Recorder


Helen Dettmer, Mayor