

VILLAGE OF BOLIVAR
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

June 17, 2025

The Bolivar Village Council met in a special session at 121 Canal Street SE on Tuesday June 17, 2025. The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and was called to order by Mayor Lloyd at 5:11 pm. White opened with prayer.

Conley, Oberlin, Pancoe, and White all answered yes to roll call. Diveley was absent.

Announcement of special meeting was submitted to the Bargain Hunter on June 2, 2025.

Sole Purpose of special meeting:

The Village of Bolivar will be holding a special session of the Council on Tuesday June 17, 2025, at 6:00PM for the purpose of interviewing and appointing a new Council member to the vacant seat; administer Oath of Office to unexpired term; perform interviews and hire a police chief. There will also be an executive session, for two distinct purposes under R.C. 121.22(G)(1), to interview and consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee or official.

Motion to go into an executive session, pursuant to R.C. 121.22(G)(1), to consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee or official. Action may be taken following the executive session. Motion made by Pancoe and seconded by Conley. Roll Call: Conley yes, Oberlin yes, Pancoe yes, White yes. The council entered the executive session at 5:13 pm.

Motion made by Pancoe and seconded by White to come out of executive session at 5:39pm. Roll Call: Conley yes, Oberlin yes, Pancoe yes, White yes.

Conley made a motion to appoint Curtis Strauss to the open council seat with a term end of 12/31/2025. The motion was seconded by White. Roll Call: Conley yes, Oberlin yes, Pancoe yes, White yes.

Tim White, President pro tempore administered the oath of office to new councilman Curtis Strauss.

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Motion made by White and seconded by Pancoe to come out of executive session at 7:08pm. Roll Call: Conley yes, Oberlin yes, Pancoe yes, Strauss yes, White yes.

Mayor Lloyd and council discussed the interviews for Bolivar Police Chief held in the executive session. Scoring was conducted by Solicitor Steve Babik and Village Administrator Patty Smith.

Mayor Lloyd recommended Chad Hilty be hired and appointed as the Village of Bolivar Police Chief. White made a motion to accept the recommendation and hire/appoint Chad Hilty as Village of Bolivar Police Chief. The motion was seconded by Pancoe. Roll Call: Conley yes, Oberlin no, Pancoe yes, Strauss yes, White yes.

Babik introduced an Ordinance to appoint Chad Hilty to the position of Chief of Police; and declaring the same to be an emergency. Rate of pay \$26.00 per hour. 40 hours per week. Effective 6/17/2025. Motion to pass made by Pancoe and seconded by White. Roll Call: Conley yes, Oberlin yes, Pancoe yes, Strauss yes, White yes.

Mayor Lloyd thanked both applicants for their time stating it was a difficult decision as both have very similar qualifications. Mayor Lloyd announced the appointment of Chad Hilty as the Village of Bolivar's Chief of Police. Mayor Lloyd administered the Oath of Office to Chief Hilty.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled for July 3, 2025, at 7PM, at 121 Canal Street SE, by Oberlin and seconded by White. Roll Call: Conley yes, Oberlin yes, Pancoe yes, Strauss yes, and White yes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.

Mayor, Robert Lloyd

Fiscal Officer, Maria App