

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK – DECEMBER 10, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bolingbrook was called to order at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on December 10, 2024, in Bolingbrook, Illinois, by Mayor Mary S. Alexander-Basta.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Mary S. Alexander-Basta requested Doug Friess to lead the pledge to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Village Clerk, Martha M. Barton, called the roll:

Present were: Mayor Mary S. Alexander-Basta, Trustees Maria A. Zarate, Michael T. Lawler, Michael J. Carpanzano, Troy J. Doris, and Trustee Jose Quintero.

Absent: Trustee Jean M. Kelly

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Martha M. Barton; Village Attorney, Burt Odelson; Co-Administrators, Ken Teppel and Lucas Rickelman; Finance Director, Rosa Cojulun; Director of Public Works, Andres Orrego; and Police Chief, Michael Rompa

Absent: IT Director, Phillip Chau; Fire Chief, Jeff LaJoie; and Director of Community Development, Matt Eastman.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS:

Motion Lawler, second Quintero to approve the minutes of the regular meeting November 12, 2024, as submitted by the Village Clerk.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS:

Village Attorney Odelson indicated that there were no additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Approval of the Agenda as presented:

Motion: Doris

Second: Zarate

Voice Vote: Motion Carried

APPROVAL AND SWEARING IN – BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Mayor

a. Presentations

1. Bolingbrook High School Madrigals Choir Holiday Carols; Bob Hanerhoff directing
2. LIV Golf Community Give Back to Local Organizations:
 - Bolingbrook Buccaneers
 - Bolingbrook Lions Foundation
 - Bolingbrook Premier Cricket League
 - Bolingbrook Soccer Club
 - Bolingbrook Trojans
 - F.O.C.O.U.S.
 - Heart Haven Outreach (H2O)
 - Panthers Sports Club
 - Plainfield East Athletic Boosters
 - Special Olympics of Illinois – Bolingbrook
 - Valley View Education Enrichment Foundation
 - Village of Bolingbrook Non-Profit Organizations:
 - Angelic Kindness
 - 4Kids Sake
 - LaBranche Family Foundation
 - United Way
 - DuCap
 - Chi-Care

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS:

None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

BILL APPROVAL

Motion Zarate second Doris to approve expenditures submitted as:

Bill Listing A: Payables in the amount of \$2,248,249.10

Bill Listing B: Payables in the amount of \$ 616,509.86

Total: \$2,864,758.96

(Copies were made available in the Finance Department, Clerk's Office, and on the Village website.)

ROLL CALL:	Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
	Nay	0	None
	Absent	1	Kelly
	Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

TAX RECEIPTS

September 2024 State Income Tax: \$829,346.65, a 3.9% decrease from a year ago.
August 2024 Sales Tax: \$3,725,497.15, a 5.6% decrease from a year ago.
September 2024 Motor Fuel Tax: \$288,126.88, a 1% decrease from a year ago.
August 2024 State Administrative Fee: \$29,566.54

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 24R-124

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF OPENGOV SOFTWARE FOR 2024-2025:

Motion Lawler, second Carpanzano to adopt a resolution authorizing the purchase of OpenGov Software for 2024-2025.

This Resolution authorizes the annual purchase of OpenGov software, which is used for online permitting and licensing. The new term is from October 15, 2024, to October 14, 2025, and the cost is \$78,393.33, which is \$21,606.67 under budgeted amount.

Reviewed and approved by Finance Committee

ROLL CALL:	Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
	Nay	0	None
	Absent	1	Kelly
	Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24R-125

APPROVING THE PROPOSAL OF ILLINOIS COUNTIES RISK MANAGEMENT TRUST (ICRMT) FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE FOR 2024-2025:

Motion Carpanzano, second Zarate to adopt a resolution approving the proposal of Illinois Counties risk management trust (ICRMT) for worker's compensation insurance for 2024-2025.

This Resolution approves "option 3" of the options presented by ICRMT for the Village's annual Workers' Compensation Insurance. The new term is from December 1, 2024, to November 30, 2025. The Village's self-insured retention is increased to \$400,000 from

\$200,000 and the annual premium is \$872,113.00, which is a \$411,379.00 decrease from last year. Reviewed and approved by Finance Committee.

Trustee Carpanzano commented that this issue prompted a healthy discussion and fruitful conversation within the Finance Committee.

ROLL CALL: Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
Nay	0	None
Absent	1	Kelly
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24R-126
APPROVING AN AGREEMENT EXTENDING LANDBANK PARKING WITH BP FOUNTAIN SQUARE IL, LLC (SUBJECT TO ATTORNEY APPROVAL):

Motion Quintero, second Lawler to adopt a resolution approving an agreement extending landbank parking with BP Fountain Square IL, LLC (Subject to Attorney Approval):

Agreement extends terms and provisions of the July 15, 2015, Agreement for landbank parking for Lots One through Four at the Fountain Square Office/Distribution Complex - 500, 600, 640 and 680 Remington Boulevard. An original agreement is set to expire in July 2025. Landbanked parking spaces have been installed on Lot (5) only, Village staff seek extension of agreement so additional spaces on Lots one (1) through four (4) can be added if parking demands increase. Reviewed by all relevant personnel and officials.

Co-Administrator Rickleman clarified that this agreement allows for greenspace to exist when parking isn't needed.

ROLL CALL: Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
Nay	0	None
Absent	1	Kelly
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24R-127
APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH FOUNTAINDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR TRAFFIC AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT:

Motion Doris, second Lawler to adopt a resolution approving an agreement with Fountaindale Public Library for traffic and parking enforcement.

This Resolution approves an Agreement allowing Bolingbrook Police to enforce traffic and parking violations on property owned by the Fountaindale Public Library. Reviewed by all relevant personnel and officials.

Co-Administrator Teppel commented that with this agreement, BPD can issue tickets on FPLD property.

ROLL CALL: Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
Nay	0	None
Absent	1	Kelly
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24R-128

RESOLUTION ABATING ALL FUTURE TAX LEVIES FOR THE \$57,045,000 VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK, GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2014A:

Motion Quintero, second Carpanzano to adopt a resolution abating all future tax levies for the \$57,045,000 Village of Bolingbrook, General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014A.

This Resolution abates the taxes that were to be levied for the Village of Bolingbrook’s General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014A. Resolution 24R-117 authorized the redemption of this bond series on January 1, 2025, therefore the Village does not need to levy the taxes that would make the bond payments. The early redemption of the bonds save the taxpayers \$18,744,000 through 2036. Reviewed by all relevant personnel and officials.

Finance Director Cojulun commented that this will save the Village money. The Mayor mentioned that this savings will help the Village maintain what we do have control over in terms of taxes. Village Attorney Odelson indicated that among all the municipalities he works with, it is rare to see such good fiscal management as we have in Bolingbrook.

ROLL CALL: Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
Nay	0	None
Absent	1	Kelly
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE 24-056

AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE BOLINGBROOK VILLAGE CODE INCREASING CLASS “C-8” (BEER & WINE) FROM FOUR (4) TO FIVE (5) MICKEYS GYROS – 188 S. BOLINGBROOK DR:

Motion Doris, second Zarate to pass an ordinance amending Chapter 6 of the Bolingbrook Village Code increasing class “C-8” (Beer & Wine) from four (4) to five (5) Mickeys Gyros – 188 S. Bolingbrook Dr.

This Ordinance increases “C-8” liquor licenses and grants Mickeys Gyros, located at 188 S. Bolingbrook Dr., a liquor license for beer and wine.

Reviewed by all relevant personnel and officials.

ROLL CALL: Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
Nay	0	None
Absent	1	Kelly
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 24-057
AMENDING SECTION 22-87 “FEES FOR SERVICES” OF CHAPTER 22 “FIRE PROTECTION” OF THE BOLINGBROOK VILLAGE CODE REGARDING MILEAGE TRANSPORT FEES FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES:

Motion Zarate, second Lawler to pass an ordinance amending section 22-87 “fees for services” of chapter 22 “Fire Protection” of the Bolingbrook Village Code regarding mileage transport fees for ambulance services.

This Ordinance makes a minor amendment to the Village’s Code to clarify that mileage transport fees are required for all ambulance transports, in order to remedy insurance coverage issues for ambulance services. Reviewed by all relevant personnel and officials.

ROLL CALL: Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
Nay	0	None
Absent	1	Kelly
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 24-058
LEVYING TAXES FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES OF THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON MAY 1, 2024, AND ENDING ON APRIL 30, 2025:

Motion Lawler, second Zarate to pass an ordinance levying taxes for corporate purposes of the Village of Bolingbrook for the current fiscal year commencing on May 1, 2024 and ending on April 30, 2025.

Debt Service Levy = \$13,996,499, Police Pension = \$6,289,158, Fire Pension = \$5,655,177 for a Total Levy of \$25,940,834.00. These levy amounts will require \$3,024,938 from the general fund to go towards the Police and Fire Pensions.

Reviewed by all relevant personnel and officials.

Finance Director Cojulun indicated that this is just an annual increase to the Village portion of the tax bill. Other taxing bodies will have their own increases.

Co-administrator Teppel commented that in 2011 the State of Illinois broke the police and fire pensions into Tier 1 and Tier 2 obligations to help relieve the burden to the municipalities.

Currently, however, there is a bill in committee in Springfield that would move all the pension funds into Tier 1, which would increase the municipalities' obligation exponentially. Stay tuned.

ROLL CALL: Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
Nay	0	None
Absent	1	Kelly
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 24-059

ABATING TAXES HERETOFORE LEVIED TO PAY INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL ON \$35,795,000 SPECIAL SERVICE AREAS NUMBERS 2001-1, 2001-2, 2001-3 AND 2002-1 SPECIAL TAXES REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2018:

Motion Quintero, second Zarate to pass an ordinance abating taxes heretofore levied to pay interest and principal on \$35,795,000 special service areas numbers 2001-1, 2001-2, 2001-3 and 2002-1 special taxes refunding bonds, series 2018.

Annual Tax Levy Abatement for the Special Service Areas, Series 2018. Abating taxes for principal and interest on \$35,795,000 SSA increment 2018 Bond Series – (2001-1, 2001-2, 2001-3, 2002-1). Abated amount = \$1,467,195.50 and Levy amount = \$3,529,743.56. Reviewed by all relevant personnel and officials.

ROLL CALL: Yea	5	Carpanzano, Doris, Lawler, Quintero, Zarate
Nay	0	None
Absent	1	Kelly
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE/PRESS:

Long-time resident Theodor Tyk commented that he and his wife would like to open a gaming café in Bolingbrook, and asked the board to move forward with approving video gaming in Bolingbrook so that they can apply for a license.

BOARD COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

TRUSTEE ZARATE: She mentioned that as it is her final holiday board meeting, she would like to express her thanks to the non-profits who help families who aren't as fortunate, and to those who set up the Tree Lighting. She asked the BPD and FPD to be safe, expressed her condolences to all who have experienced loss, and thanked the Mayor and all those who helped her get elected to serve as a Trustee. She wished everybody Happy Holidays and Happy New Year.

TRUSTEE LAWLER: He thanked the Madrigals and mentioned the upcoming BHS Holiday Concert, and thanked all the educators who supported the students. He mentioned the Knights of Columbus Breakfast with Santa at St. Dominic Church on December 14th, and on behalf of Operation Christmas, he extended thanks to all who volunteered and donated to their holiday drive this year. They served a record 633 families. He wished everybody Happy Holidays and Happy New Year.

He also mentioned that on Saturday, December 14th there will be live reindeer and refreshments behind Village Hall, and that Tailgaters is hosting a family-friendly event later that day featuring the Trans-Siberian Orchestra.

TRUSTEE KELLY: (absent)

TRUSTEE QUINTERO: He wished everybody Happy Holidays and Happy New Year. He reminded everyone to keep the true meaning of Christmas, to help when possible, and he thanked the Armed Forces, Bolingbrook Fire and Bolingbrook Police for all they do.

TRUSTEE CARPANZANO: He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. He gave a shout-out to the American Heart Association who raised \$25,000 at their recent fundraiser, with a special mention to Angelic Kindness.

TRUSTEE DORIS: He wished everybody Happy Holidays, reflecting on four years ago when we couldn't gather together for the holidays. He thanked the Not-for-Profits who were recipients of LIV Golf's support.

CLERK BARTON: She echoed the appreciation and holiday wishes expressed by the Trustees, especially the Madrigals (as a former Madrigal singer herself), thanking them for being a part of our holiday tradition at the Village Board meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR TEPPEL: He reminded residents that the holiday display out back is a Winter **Walk**, not a Winter Drive. He had to stop someone from trying to drive an SUV around the pond.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY ODELSON:

He complimented the Mayor on negotiating the contract with LIV Golf, to get them to support the local community, and to return next year. He mentioned that legislation approved in 2016 in Springfield allowed private companies to acquire water distribution rights and then tax municipalities. He reported that Illinois American Water was approved for 70% of their proposed rate increase. Bolingbrook's contribution to the hearings helped cap it at that. Still lobbying Springfield to change the law, which unfortunately the ICC is bound by currently. There will be appeals to their decision.

ADMINISTRATOR RICKLEMAN: He thanked Matt Eastman and Clay Shipley for their impressive work on meeting a very tight timeline to get the construction done behind Village Hall.

ROSA COJULUN: Wished Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

MAYOR BASTA:

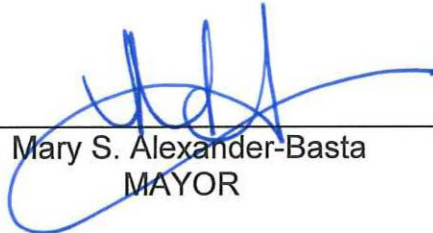
Thanked BPD and BFD for all they do; mentioned Coffee with the Chiefs that morning. She mentioned that there are 130 seniors signed up to tour the Winter Walk the next day. Kudos to Public Works and the new combined Special Events Commission for getting it done and making it magical. Thanks also to BCT. She announced the Non-Profit Coalition Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 14th. She reminded residents of the Santa Send-off on Friday, December 20th, starting at Town Center, winding its way through the Village, ending at Clow Airport where Santa will take off in a helicopter for the North Pole. The Santa Tracker GPS link will be posted on the Village of Bolingbrook Facebook page.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

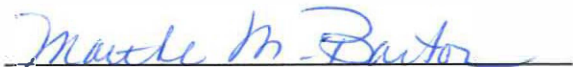
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion Zarate, second Quintero to adjourn the meeting.
Voice vote. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.



Mary S. Alexander-Basta
MAYOR

ATTEST:



Martha M. Barton
VILLAGE CLERK