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**SPECIAL MEETING  
MEETING OF THE LORDSTOWN VILLAGE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
July 29, 2021 9:00 A.M.**

IN ATTENDANCE: MR. KEVIN CAMPBELL, PRESIDENT  
MR. MICHAEL SULLIVAN, VICE-PRESIDENT  
MR. THOMAS DIETZ  
MS. CINTHIA SLUSARCZYK, CLERK  
MR. DARREN BIGGS, SUPT. OF UTILITIES

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. I'll call this meeting to order. Please stand with me for the Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

LORD'S PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**ROLL CALL:**

MR. CAMPBELL: Cindy, roll call please

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Kevin Campbell?

MR. CAMPBELL: Here

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Tom Dietz?

MR. DIETZ: Here

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Mike Sullivan?

MR. SULLIVAN: Here.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Darren Biggs?

MR. BIGGS: Here.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Cinthia Slusarczyk, present, Chris Kogelnik was not ask to attend the meeting.

MR. CAMPBELL: No we do not need Chris today.

**AGENDA:**

**PERSONNEL**

MR. CAMPBELL: All right, we only have one item under new business, it's our personnel.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do you want to go into executive session?

MR. CAMPBELL: Unless you think we need to, I don't think we need to. I mean we interviewed them, I think at this point we just.

MR. BIGGS: Unless you guys want to talk in private, off the record, and then come out and make your decision.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, I make a motion that we go into executive session.

MR. DIETZ: I'll seconded it.

MR. CAMPBELL: Roll call, Cindy. Called for Personnel, inviting the Board, Darren, and Cindy.

MR. SULLIVAN: Inviting everybody here

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Campbell?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Dietz:?

MR. DIETZ: Yes

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Sullivan?

MR. SULLIVAN: Yes

*Adjourned into executive @9:10AM.*

MR. CAMPBELL: Appreciate everyone's comments and thoughts along the topic. We have ended our executive session and we have a decision to make.

MR. SULLIVAN: I make a motion to hire Scott-

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Kovacic

MR. SULLIVAN: Full time and Part time -

MR. CAMPBELL: David Smith

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MS. SLUSARCZYK: I think we need two separate motions. Scott Kovacic, Full time

MR. CAMPBELL: I'll second that motion. All in favor?

MR. SULLIVAN: Aye

MR. DIETZ: Aye

MR. CAMPBELL: Aye. All Opposed? Take that to Council, they have to approve that one.

MR. SULLIVAN: And I'll make a motion to hire Smith for-

MR. CAMPBELL: David Smith

MR. SULLIVAN: David Smith for permanent part time.

MR. CAMPBELL: I'll second that. All in favor? Aye

ALL: Aye

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed? Alright you can let those two gentlemen know. Any member comments at this point?

#### **MEMBER COMMENTS**

MR. DIETZ: Did you guys get the email I sent out to everybody?

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, I did.

MR. CAMPBELL: Pertaining to?

MR. DIETZ: We all should be in on the talks with TEC people.

MR. CAMPBELL: Oh, with Warren, well we are going to start out with our group just to see where we get and then bring it back to because if it is more, you know, the Sunshine Law. If it's more than one person per thing then we have to have an official meeting...

MR. DIETZ: Fine

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well, I think you're talking with Warren Water.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: We are meeting with Warren Water for a bulk water rate not with, correct me, your talking about TEC.

MR. DIETZ: I'm talking about them all.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Even the Warren Water rate?

MR. DIETZ: No, Yeah

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I took it as you meant with TEC.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well and like the last meeting was here so I don't see where the Sunshine Law would be an issue because we could all be here anyway. I don't have a problem with you meeting for the bulk water rate.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, we can't move forward with anything. It's just similar what happened with the Niles bulk water. You got to start somewhere with the entities, work through some details, bring it back to your prospective. Warren will have to go back, we will have to go back, we will have to review it. Attorneys have to look over it. I mean it's a long ways from being done. I mean it took probably a couple months or better with Niles.

MR. SULLIVAN: I would be comfortable if Cindy is in on the discussions.

MR. CAMPBELL: Absolutely

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I am part of, for the Warren-

MR. CAMPBELL: Yep, we will see how it goes. We meet already to kind of get a game plan going. We will see how that game plan plays out.

MR. SULLIVAN: Once we get into TEC I think should be the whole board.

MR. CAMPBELL: If it even comes to that point, right?

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, well-

MR. CAMPBELL: Our goal as a Village is to get the bulk water agreement with Warren. Right, so that's the goal and then whatever falls after that is afterwards, in my book.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The bulk water rate needs to be attained for Lordstown Motors and Old Dominion Freight Line. That has been on our agenda for a year. That is our first goal to meet with the City of Warren to establish a fixed water rate for those customers.

MR. DIETZ: Isn't the aluminum place on Warren water too?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Matalco, yes they are. Their contract has not expired though. It started in 2015 and

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it's a 15 year agreement but the rate that Matalco has is the rate that was affiliated to General Motors now Lordstown Motors. So-

MR. SULLIVAN: So was it discounted or was it tiered?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No, it is a flat rate.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well we will worry about that once we get the bulk water and see if there is a way to squeeze that in there.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The greatest issue I have is we have multiple rates from Warren. You know that is a nightmare even for our engineers to figure out our revenue and expenses, operation and maintenance because everyone had a different profit margin. It's a snag.

MR. CAMPBELL: So we are trying to clean that up like what we have with Niles. So we will keep you gentlemen posted as it progresses forward.

MR. SULLIVAN: You know I had mentioned getting a second opinion on and you said you wanted to go to the meeting-

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, I'm on the board and the meeting, I think, it's Monday.

MR. SULLIVAN: But would you have a problem if I just called him and said how about getting me an opinion?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, you could do that? Absolutely

MR. SULLIVAN: And if its different then I'll come back to the board and I'll invite him too.

MR. DIETZ: My thing was Kevin knows how it was when the Mayor and Mansell walked in to our meeting and they threw the contract for the power plant's water down on the table and they said that is the best you going to get. If I would have knew then what I know now, I would have never signed it.

MR. CAMPBELL: I think a lot of us have learned a lot over LEC, not just from our department but I think the whole Village has learned.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And that is why I said it is better to work as a team, not against one another. Everybody needs to understand the impact of that rate-

MR. CAMPBELL: And then how the whole project affects the village, really. Some of that stuff that the Village thought was going to come out of what they agreed to, didn't. I guess we at least knew or kind of what we are getting into but learned things or how it affected our department after living with it.

MR. SULLIVAN: Is it supposedly the last piece to the puzzle with TEC, the water?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The water rate.

MR. CAMPBELL: I believe from what they are presenting, yeah. I think everything has been worked out for the most part except for they want a locked in rate. The want like what happened with LEC. That is what they want.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Has anybody-

MR. SULLIVAN: I'd rather see us not get them than go there.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: But has anybody provided what we have to Steve Remillard? Does he know that this is the rate, that this is what we are working towards?

MR. CAMPBELL: They have a rough idea, yeah. The problem is they see that 84 cents per thousand and that's the problem and ours is like three something. So anyway, any other comments?

**ADJOURNMENT:**

MR. SULLIVAN: Motion to adjourn.

MR. DIETZ: I'll second

MR. CAMPBELL: All in favor?

All: Aye

MR. CAMPBELL: All Opposed?

Prepared & Submitted By:

Approved By:

Cindy Slusarczyk, clerk

Kevin Campbell, President