



**Village of Johnstown
Special Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 23, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Sean Stanart Called to Order the Village of Johnstown Regular Council Meeting for Tuesday, May 23, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

COUNCIL ROLL CALL: Lewie Main; present, Ben Lee; present, Cheryl Robertson; present, Sharon Hendren; absent, Mayor Sean Stanart; present, Bill Van Gundy; present, Carol Van Deest; absent.

IN ATTENDANCE – STAFF: Jim Lenner – Manager, Jack Liggett-Service Director, Newt Long-Service, Dana Steffan- Finance Director, Teresa Monroe-Clerk of Council

IN ATTENDANCE – PUBLIC: Nate Strum – Grow Licking County, Justin Bickle – Columbus 20/20, Marla Kuhlman – Johnstown Independent,

INVOCATION: Invocation given by Councilman Van Gundy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mayor Stanart opened the floor for Public Comment. There were no comments and Mayor Stanart closed the floor.

LEGISLATION

**A. ORDINANCE 25-2016 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN OFFER OF CERTAIN INCENTIVES FOR PURPOSES OF ENCOURAGING THE LOCATION IN THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSTOWN OF BLECKMANN USA LLC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
*Introduction, Public Hearing, Vote***

This Ordinance is an agreement between the Village of Johnstown and Bleckmann USA L.L.C. for a three year, twenty five percent income tax credit applicable in 2017, 2018, and 2019 in exchange for two hundred jobs created by the end of 2018. It is a percentage based incentive that will be determinate upon their income tax generation.

Justin Bickle of Columbus 20/20 was present as a representative for the company and said Bleckmann USA L.L.C. is headquartered in Belgium and this is their market entry into the United States. Bleckmann will be locating to 188 Commerce Drive; the company gives support to high fashion commerce servicing much of Europe and some of Asia. The total initial capital investment here will be between three and four million dollars for building renovations, automation and equipment, and a new warehouse management software system.

Public Hearing: No citizen comments were made either for or against.

MOTION: Bill Van Gundy moved to approve Ordinance 20-2016 authorizing an incentive for the purpose of encouraging the location in the Village of Johnstown of the Bleckmann group and declaring this an emergency

Second: Cheryl Robertson

Lewie Main;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Sean Stanearth;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y

Pass 5-0

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Main moved to adjourn, Ms. Robertson seconded and the vote was as follows:

Ben Lee;	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Sean Stanearth;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Lewie Main;	Y

Pass 5-0

Thereupon, the meeting adjourned at 4:14 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS PRESENTED



Mayor Sean Stanearth