

Buckeye Lake Village Council Meeting  
Held in Village Hall  
**December 14, 2015**  
Meeting Minutes

**Call to Order:** By Council President Peterson at 7:03 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence:** Lead by Council President Peterson.

**Roll Call:** Present: Kitty Zwissler (0,0), Barry Herron (0,1), Robert Masone, MD (0,3), Jeryne Peterson (0,3),  
(Consecutive, Total Absences) Arletta Ruton (0,4), Peggy Wells (0,1), Tom Wolfe (0,0)  
Mayor Carroll

Absent: None

**Staff Present:** Valerie Hans, Clerk of Council; Mary Jennings, Clerk/Treasurer; James Hanzey, Police Chief; Rod Riley, Code Enforcement Officer.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion by Councilor Ruton to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2015 regular council meeting as presented, seconded by Councilor Zwissler.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Wolfe, Zwissler, Herron, Masone, Peterson, Ruton, Wells**  
**Motion Passed 7-0.**

**Approval of Clerk Treasurer's Report:**

Motion by Councilor Ruton to approve the Treasurer's report dated December 14, 2015, seconded by Councilor Wolfe.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Wolfe, Zwissler, Herron, Masone, Peterson, Ruton, Wells**  
**Motion Passed 7-0.**

**NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Butch Bindley, Village Solicitor, thanked council, the mayor and the administration for the years that he spent working for the village. He stated that he will still be actively working for the village until his retirement on December 31, 2015 when Mark Gardner will take over as the village solicitor.

**COMMISSION REPORTS:**

**Parks & Recreation Commission:** The Parks and Recreation Commission met on Tuesday, December 1, 2015. Their next scheduled meeting will be on January 5, 2016, at 6:30pm.

**Planning Commission & Board of Zoning Appeals:** The Commission will meet on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, at 7:30pm.

**COMMITTEE MEETING AND/OR REPORT:**

**Finance Committee:** Councilor Herron stated that his committee met last week to discuss the 2016 budget. He further stated that after discussion, his committee moved to forward the budget on to council for approval at tonight's meeting.

**Public Safety Committee:** No report.

**Public Service Committee:** No report.

**Rules Committee:** No report.

**Community Development Committee:** Report is in the council packet.

**Personnel Committee:** Councilor Masone stated that his committee anticipates a vacancy on council after the first of the year due to Councilor Wolfe being elected to a four year term.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:** Linda Masone, 4521 Northbank Rd, Buckeye Lake. Mrs. Masone stated that she is passing around thank you cards to council members for the donations that Buckeye Lake Hardware and Tractor Supply gave to the village to get the community gardens up and running.

**REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS:** None

**POLICE CHIEF:** A report for the month of November 2015 was submitted.

**FIRE CHIEF:** None.

**STREET SUPERINTENDENT:** None

**WATER SUPERINTENDENT:** A report for the month of November 2015 was submitted.

**DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** No report.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Carroll stated that he asked Butch Bindley to come to the council meeting so that we could thank him for the years of service that he gave to the village as the Village Solicitor.

Mayor Carroll mentioned that we will be losing a few council members after December 31, 2015. He then thanked Councilor Herron and Council President Peterson for their years of service to the Village.

Mayor Carroll stated that there will be a meeting again with Nicole Smith from the health department after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year to discuss the healthy communities grant. Lastly, the Mayor wished everyone a safe and happy holiday with their families.

Councilor Wells asked the Mayor if the mixer project at the water tower is complete. Mayor Carroll stated that the electric work is completed, the tank was tested and filled without issue and things seem to be working well.

**PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL:** Council President Peterson stated that this is an emotional night. She further stated that she has been on Village Council for the last 10 years and been through a lot of change during that time. Peterson stated that in 1988 the village became a village and had its first council meeting. She has watched the village grow over that time and probably will reapply for the vacant council seat after the first of the year. Lastly Peterson stated that she has enjoyed her tenure on council. She has worked with many different people over the years and it has truly been a pleasure to work with everyone.

## **ORDINANCES**

### **3rd Reading**

#### **2015-24 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE**

Motion by Councilor Wells to adopt Ordinance 2015-24 as presented, seconded by Councilor Zwissler.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Wolfe, Zwissler, Herron, Masone, Peterson, Ruton, Wells**

**Motion Passed 7-0.**

### **2nd Reading**

**2015-25 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LICKING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF LEGAL COUNSEL FOR INDIGENT DEFENDANTS FOR THE VILLAGE OF BUCKEYE LAKE, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO**

### **1st Reading**

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

### **3rd Reading**

### **2nd Reading**

### **1st Reading**

**Citizen's Comments:** None.

## **Council Member Comments:**

**Councilor Masone:** No comment

**Councilor Herron:** Stated that he is leaving council because he has other activities going on Monday nights and he can no longer devote his Monday nights to council meetings. Councilor Herron asked the Police Chief if they have located the person that is spraying graffiti at the park. After the Police Chief stated that that had leads but no one had been arrested yet, Herron stated that he will double the reward as his property has also been the victim of graffiti.

**Councilor Zwissler:** Councilor Zwissler stated that she voted for the budget; however her focus was not on the Police Department regarding traffic fines. She would like to see the budgeting process start much earlier for 2016. She also stated that it has been a pleasure to work with Councilor Peterson and Councilor Herron. Furthermore, she stated that she looks forward to working with everyone on council again next year. Lastly, Zwissler stated that she would like to see council appoint Jeryne Peterson to the 2 year term and get her back on council.

**Councilor Ruton:** Stated that it has been a pleasure to work with everyone on council. She hopes that next year the department heads will participate in the council finance committee meetings to develop their budgets. Lastly, she wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Councilor Wolfe:** Thanked Councilor Herron and Councilor Peterson for their time and service on Village Council. Councilor Wolfe then announced that he will be resigning his 2 year seat on council effective December 31, 2015 and assuming the 4 year seat on council that he was elected to in November.

Motion by Councilor Wells to accept Councilor Wolfe's resignation from the 2 year council seat effective December 31, 2015, seconded by Councilor Zwissler.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Wolfe, Zwissler, Herron, Masone, Peterson, Ruton, Wells**  
**Motion Passed 7-0.**

**Councilor Wells:** Stated that she has enjoyed working with everyone on council and looks forward to working together again next year.


Council President Peterson: Wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year. She then stated that "Let's make ODNR sorry that they drained this lake!"

**Adjournment:** Motion by Councilor Ruton to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilor Zwissler.

**VOTE: IN-FAVOR: ALL YEAS; MOTION CARRIED 7-0**

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: January 11, 2016

  
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Valerie L. Hans, Clerk of Council

  
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Kitty Zwissler, Council President