

Buckeye Lake Village Council Meeting
Held in Village Hall
June 24, 2013
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: By President of Council, Charlene Hayden at 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence: Lead by President Hayden

Roll Call: Present: Gerry Neff (0, 1), Jeryne Peterson (0, 2), Arletta Ruton (0, 5), Michelle McCormick (0, 0),
(Consecutive, Total Absences) Barry Herron (0, 0), Charlene Hayden (0, 2)
Mayor Baker

Absent: Clay Carroll (0, 1)

Staff Present: Valerie Hans, Vaughn Klingler, Mike Cassidy, Mary Jennings, James Hanzey, Rod Riley & Mark Dymek.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Councilor Peterson to approve the minutes from the June 10, 2013 Regular council meeting as presented, Seconded by Councilor McCormick.

Roll Call Vote; Yeas: Neff, Peterson, Ruton, McCormick, Herron, Hayden

Motion Passed 6-0

Approval of Clerk Treasurer's Report:

Motion by Councilor Peterson to approve the Treasurer's Report and make payments as listed on the payment report dated June 24, 2013, Seconded by Councilor Ruton.

Roll Call Vote; Yeas: Neff, Peterson, Ruton, McCormick, Herron, Hayden

Motion Passed 6-0

NEW / UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND STANDING COMMITTEES:

Zoning: No report.

Code Enforcement: No report.

Finance Committee: Councilor Peterson stated that the Finance Committee met on June 17, 2013 immediately following the Public Safety Committee; however they did not have enough members present for a quorum.

Public Safety Committee: No report.

Public Service Committee: No report.

Rules Committee: No report.

Community Development: No report.

Personnel: No report

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: Peg Wells, 258 Cranberry Lane, Buckeye Lake. Brought up that it was interesting that there were so few people at the Fire Department meeting last week. Why is it that we had a possible fire call at McDonald's and Hebron Fire Department responded but we didn't respond?

Brenda Hileman, 32 Myers Avenue, Buckeye Lake. We were told that there would be a public safety committee meeting at the fire department. I have a comment on McDonald's. It's a shame that they are only that far away and Hebron beats them again.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS:

Police Chief: Chief Hanzey read and submitted a report for May 2013.

Fire Chief: Captain Ruton read and submitted a report for May 2013.

Street Supervisor: Report for May 2013 was submitted.

Water Department: No report.

Development Director: Mike Cassidy stated that bids are in on the last round of houses to come down. He further stated that the east bound off ramp should be reopened this Friday just in time for the holiday week. Lastly Cassidy thanked John Sproat for all of the time and hard work he put into making Buckeye Lake Fest a great event last weekend.

Public Works Director: Vaughn Klingler apologized for not having a water department report. He stated that they are in the process of changing the report so that it will be out by the 10th or 15th of each month. Klingler

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stated that he put out a call for volunteers and got two more. He stated that they have applications at the front counter in the Village office. Klingler stated that over half of the street inventory is completed. Jacob, the intern, is working hard on getting pictures. Klingler stated that he received a visit from the OEPA last week and is waiting on a letter to let him know what else needs to be done in the village.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Baker thanked John Sproat for a job well done on the Buckeye Lake Fest. He also thanked Mike Cassidy and Chief Hanzey for all of their hard work on making the event a success.

President's Report: President Hayden read and submitted a written report dated June 24, 2013. She mentioned that she attended a Licking County Soil and Water Conservation District Stream Testing workshop on June 18th. She further stated that this will bode well with the EPA and the focus that they are placing on improving storm sewer water.

She mentioned that the Parks and Recreation Commission and Planning Commission will have their regularly scheduled monthly meetings on Tuesday, July 2, 2013 at 6:30 and Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at 7:00 pm respectively.

Hayden mentioned that the Friends of the Buckeye Lake Library was a success with over 70 people signed up to walk. She further stated that the event has grown each year. She also mentioned that the Buckeye Lake Fest fireworks looked absolutely fabulous against the backdrop of the supermoon. She thanked the Fire Department staff for being at the park before, during and after the fireworks. She also thanked police officer Vermaaten for directing all of the traffic during the evening.

Hayden mentioned the recent public records requests and stated that she will be reporting all future public records requests that involve council members to council to make sure that all records are located and available in a timely manner.

ORDINANCES:

3rd Reading

2nd Reading

1st Reading

2013-14 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY NECESSARY FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSE AND AUTHORIZING THE SAME BE PURCHASED FROM ANOTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WITHOUT BID (PER ORC. §735.053) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion by Ruton to suspend the rules on Ordinance 2013-14, seconded by McCormick.

Roll Call Vote; Yeas: Neff, Peterson, Ruton, McCormick, Herron, Hayden

Motion Suspended 6-0

Motion by Peterson to adopt Ordinance 2013-14, seconded by Ruton.

Roll Call Vote; Yeas: Neff, Peterson, Ruton, McCormick, Herron, Hayden

Motion Passed 6-0

2013-16 AMENDING ORDINANCE 2012-20 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion by McCormick to suspend the rules on Ordinance 2013-12, seconded by Ruton.

Roll Call Vote; Yeas: Neff, Peterson, Ruton, McCormick, Herron, Hayden

Motion Suspended 6-0

Motion by McCormick to adopt Ordinance 2013-12, seconded by Neff.

Roll Call Vote; Yeas: Neff, Peterson, Ruton, McCormick, Herron, Hayden

Motion Passed 6-0

RESOLUTIONS:

3rd Reading

2nd Reading

2013-10 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR TO MAKE APPLICATION WITH THE STATED OF OHIO LOCAL GOVERNMENT INNOVATION FUND TO SECURE FUNDS TO EXPLORE THE CREATION OF A FIRE DISTRICT

1st Reading

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CITIZENS COMMENTS: Brenda Hileman, 32 Myers Avenue, Buckeye Lake. I have a question for the safety chair. He's not here so whoever could answer my question that would be appreciated. On Highland Avenue, I think it's at the corner of Wood and Highland there is a swimming pool in the front yard, there is no fence around it. Is that legal in the Village of Buckeye Lake? Can anybody answer that for me? Council members stated that they will look into this issue.

Peg Wells, 258 Cranberry Lane, Buckeye Lake. Not that I have to disclose why, It's interesting to me that Council President is spending more time talking about Peggy Wells than the Fire Department. If you've noticed the minutes sometimes are lengthier when you are reciting every a, um and stutter in those minutes. It's laughable the minutes before last, every little stutter that I had was in there but yet the minutes that you just approved. Everybody is so concentrated they can't even look at me in the eye, it's so amazing, everybody looks at their desk. Anyway, when I make comments at the end about the failures of the fire department, not a word about that. One of the EMS personnel that responded to my house to take care of my mother was bragging to a resident afterwards that he was so angry that I rejected the services by Buckeye Lake that he wrote a letter to the mayor. So that's what I was requesting, not that I have to explain myself. But, in case Council President, she seems to be so interested in everything I say or do. She's making me so important, it's pretty amazing, she just talks about me all the time. So I just wanted to share that with you. I wish that Council President and the Mayor you are going to these meetings with the fire district. It's amazing to me that when we first started talking about contracting with Hebron, Clay and Barry both said, oh we will never be able to do that because no way will we be able to afford that. They will never come up with a price that we can afford. Well they did, they came up with \$110,750 to send two guys out and always a paramedic at least one paramedic and we rejected it. So apparently the issue wasn't that you are willing to talk about a fire district. But you have the potential of doing something similar right away, but you are rejecting that. I just wish that you would spend more time talking about the fire department instead of other things.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:

Michelle McCormick: No comment

Arletta Ruton: No comment.

Jeryne Peterson: Over the weekend, I took part in the Friends of the Buckeye Lake Library 5K walk. Thank you to all who took part in the walk. It was quite a success as they raised over \$6,000 for the library. Thank you to John Sproat for putting on the Buckeye Lake Fest. The fireworks were lovely. I just wanted to remind everyone that we will be collecting donations this Saturday in Millersport and Buckeye Lake for the BLAAST.

Barry Herron: Stated to Mark, "You make great notes." He further mentioned that the Lake Fest is awesome. The festival could be a really big event someday. Herron made the following comments: I think that words mean things. There is a word we call Emergency. When someone calls for an emergency why would someone use their parent to call for an emergency and then refuse services? Somebody lost all credibility with me when they did that.

Gerry Neff: No comment.

Charlene Hayden: Hayden read a prepared statement at the end of her council president comments addressing the recent news media coverage in Buckeye Lake. A copy of this statement is listed below.

I would like to make a few comments regarding some recent editorials. First of all, each person has his or her own writing style. I find it interesting that all the editorials about the fire department, or whatever the "beef of the day" is, are written in the same style. Could it be that one person writes all the editorials?? Think about it!!

In "Better service for less money", the editorial insinuates that Fire Chief Pete Leindecker was a school mate of Clay Carroll's. They didn't even know each other while they were growing up in the Village. In that same article, the statement was made that the Hebron Fire Department is available two miles away and at about a 30 percent discount. How do you figure a discount is possible when Hebron's budget is in the neighborhood of \$800,000 compared to a Buckeye Lake budget of under \$300,000? In addition, every Hebron Fire Department employee earns more than any Buckeye Lake Fire Department employee in a comparable job category. The Fire Chief alone earns approximately \$63,000. Thus far, any Hebron proposal for help to Buckeye Lake has been strictly a cost proposal for additional personnel. The last paragraph says, "We won't renew the levy unless they (the council) make the sensible decision to contract with Hebron." My question to that would be, "How would you contract with Hebron when your levy has failed?" Is that the same as "shooting yourself in the foot"?

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In "Hebron was worth the wait", the editorial states that "On June 10, I requested that 911 dispatch Hebron EMS to my residence. Knowing that they must dispatch whatever department is within our jurisdiction, I asked 911 to dispatch Hebron at the same time as Buckeye Lake. I was told by BLFD Captain Toby Miller, who was on duty at 911, that they didn't have the authority to do that. He stated that the responding unit (Buckeye Lake) would have to make that request upon arrival at the scene."

"I was waiting on the front porch and didn't allow Buckeye Lake EMS through my front door. As soon as they arrived, I requested that they call for Hebron. They radioed 911 that Buckeye Lake was refused and Hebron was requested. Buckeye Lake personnel told me it would probably be a six minute wait. I signed a form refusing treatment and they left." "Within a few minutes, Hebron's crew arrived." I think residents should ask, "Was this a real emergency?" If you know what the rules are before you call, why would you take a 911 dispatcher's time to discuss them, why would you take the time during the call to say you wanted Hebron to come, and why would you take even more time to discuss what you know the rules to be with the 911 dispatcher? In a real emergency, would you not take the first responder if your slogan is "Patients 1st"? Also, what if another village resident needed emergency service at their home at the time all this is taking place? How would you feel if your loved one died because someone called the Buckeye Lake squad only to sign off that they didn't want to use them?

Council President Hayden ended the meeting with the following quote:

"If people are trying to bring you down, it only means that you are above them."
Quote on bullying from tumblr.com

Motion by by McCormick and seconded by Peterson to go into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. It was stated that the Mayor, Council Members, Valerie Hans and Vaughn Klingler should remain for the executive session.

Roll Call Vote; Yeas: Neff, Peterson, Ruton, McCormick, Herron, Hayden

Motion passed: 6-0.

Executive session began at 7:50pm.

Motion by Ruton and seconded by Peterson to come out of executive session.

Roll Call Vote; Yeas: Neff, Peterson, Ruton, McCormick, Herron, Hayden

Motion passed: 6-0.

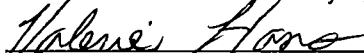
Executive session ended at 8:10pm.

Adjournment: Motion by Councilor Ruton to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Councilor Neff.

VOTE: IN-FAVOR: ALL YEAS; MOTION CARRIED 6-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm

NEXT MEETING: July 8, 2013



Valerie Hans, Clerk of Council



Charlene Hayden, President of Council