

Buckeye Lake Village Council Meeting
Held in Village Hall
February 13, 2017
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: By Council President Zwissler at 7:07 p.m.

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

Roll Call: Present: Peggy Wells (0,0), Tom Wolfe (0,2) Kitty Zwissler (0,0), Doug Poorman (0,0),
(Consecutive, Total Absences) Arletta Ruton (0,0)
Mayor Carroll
Absent: Robert Masone, MD (0,1), Tim Ryan (0,1)

Staff Present: Valerie Hans, Clerk of Council; James Hanzey, Police Chief; Pete Leindecker, Fire Chief; Dave Ruton, EMS Captain; Rod Riley, Code Enforcement Officer; Toby Miller, Water Superintendent.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Councilor Ruton to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2017 regular meeting with amendments, seconded by Councilor Wells.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Wells, Wolfe, Zwissler, Poorman, Ruton
Motion Passed 5-0.

Approval of Clerk Treasurer's Report:

Motion by Councilor Wells to approve the Treasurer's report dated February 8, 2017, seconded by Councilor Ruton.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Wolfe, Zwissler, Poorman, Ruton
Abstentions: Wells
Motion Passed 5-0.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Parks & Recreation Commission: The Parks and Recreation Commission did not meet on Tuesday, February 7, 2017. Their next scheduled meeting will be on March 7, 2017, at 5:30pm.

Planning Commission & Board of Zoning Appeals: The Commission will meet on Tuesday, February 14, 2017, at 7:30pm.

Karen Cookston, chairperson spoke to the village council. Cookston stated the she and Sherry Powell have put many hours into updating the meeting minutes book. Cookston also stated that the Planning Commission is in the process of putting together an annual report to council which will be completed in time for the March 1st deadline. It was corrected that the deadline is actually April 1st. Cookston stated that she and Sherry Powell attended County-Wide All Natura Hazard Mitigation Plan meeting on behalf of the village. She further stated that in most communities the Development Director, or Fire Department personnel attend this meeting. She explained that the meeting is to review and discuss natural disasters after the fact and improve on the county and local processes to improve the outcome should another disaster strike in the future. Cookston stated that participation in this group makes us eligible for grant funding.

Councilor Wells stated that in the past, we have asked that the Parks and Recreation and Planning Commission send copies of their meeting minutes to council.

Cookston responded that the Planning Commission will send their minutes once they are approved; however there will be a delay as this commission only meets on a monthly basis.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND/OR REPORTS:

Finance Committee: Councilor Wolfe stated that his committee met following the Public Service Committee to discuss the reallocation of water rates. Wolfe stated that his committee recommended that the legislation move forward to council this evening.

Public Safety Committee: No report.

Public Service Committee: Councilor Ruton stated that her committee met at 6:05pm this evening. They set a goal to get the storm sewer project off the ground, they discussed storm sewer issues that the village is having and how to fund the storm sewer. Ruton also stated that the committee will be going over the engineering RFQs. Councilor Ruton scheduled another committee meeting for Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:00pm to discuss storm sewers and the engineering RFQs.

Rules Committee: Councilor Wells stated that she did not have a committee report; however AS Rules Chair, she wanted to point out that something that council needed to consider. She stated that at the last meeting there was discussion about sidewalk and FD grants in the Mayor's report. Councilor Wells stated that grants need to come before council for approval before applying for the money. She further stated that council needs to give approval for revenue coming into the budget just as we do for expenses reducing the budget. An example is the annual legislation required to accept certified funds from the county.

Community Development Committee: Councilor Poorman stated that he was continuing to meet with the community center committee. He will be meeting again with the United Way for potential funding sources.

Personnel Committee: No report.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: Marianne Perine, 264 Park St., Buckeye Lake. Ms. Perine commented about the water rate ordinance. She doesn't approve that the water rate is reduced for people leaving for Florida. She stated that she would like to see people who are low-income in the village receive a reduced water rate.

DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT: No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT: No report.

Councilor Wells asked Mayor Carroll for an update on the ODNR language on permits.

Mayor Carroll stated that he hasn't received that language at this time.

Councilor Wells asked Mayor Carroll for an update on the ODNR sidewalk repairs at the spillway.

Mayor Carroll stated that ODNR put compacted fill down for the winter and plans to complete the repair in the spring and they are still supposedly considering making an offer on that lot.

Councilor Poorman asked Mayor Carroll for the status of the Right-of-Way Utility Use Agreement.

Mayor Carroll stated that GGC is working on the mapping and determining how many miles we have. We've received a \$1,200 invoice so far. It's uncertain what the timeline is.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Council President Zwissler stated that it's really inspiring to see people working on solutions for the village. She is really happy with the work that Toby Miller and Crickett Ruton did on the storm sewers.

ORDINANCES

3rd Reading

2017-01 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LICKING COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF FLOODPLAIN REGULATIONS.

Council Clerk Hans explained the Floodplain Ordinance to the council members. She stated that the ordinance allows us to contract with Licking County at no cost for administration and issuance of our floodplain use permits. She further stated that this ordinance saves the village the cost of having a certified floodplain manager trained and on staff at the village office. Lastly, Hans stated that the floodplain rules are established by FEMA and we have to follow the rules to protect our floodplain insurance policies in effect in the village.

Motion by Councilor Ruton to approve Ordinance 2017-01 as presented, seconded by Councilor Wolfe.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Wells, Wolfe, Zwissler, Poorman, Ruton
Motion Passed 5-0.

2nd Reading

1st Reading

2017-03 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2015-21 AND ESTABLISHING NEW WATER RATES AND COLLECTION GUIDELINES FOR THE VILLAGE OF BUCKEYE LAKE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM.

RESOLUTIONS:

3rd Reading

2nd Reading

1st Reading

Citizen's Comments: None

Council Member Comments:

Councilor Poorman: No comment.

Councilor Wells: Stated that she would like to give Marianne Perine information on her citizen's comment. Councilor Wells then turned the floor over to Water Superintendent Miller. Mr. Miller explained that the seasonal water rate is intended for people who have seasonal homes in the village and spend months at a time away in the off-season. These people typically winterize their homes and ask to have the water turned off at the street to avoid having water issues while they are away. Miller stated that the customer doesn't start saving money (\$3 per month) until month five due to the two \$25 trip charges to turn the water off and on. The monthly seasonal rate is \$15 and the regular minimum rate is \$31.50.

Councilor Wells thanked Councilor Ruton for having the committee meeting to discuss storm sewers. She further stated that we really need to support the storm sewers.

Councilor Wells discussed a code enforcement issue with a recycling resident with a lot of items in his yard. She was told by Code Enforcement Officer Rod Riley it was a zoning issue. She said that if our code enforcement language is not adequate to allow for enforcement, we should review the code and make changes. She explained she wanted council to be supportive and asked him if he would like to speak the issue. He said Valerie may need to help us because she knows the zoning book. He said we need to identify in-house business. He also said he has to check with

the county website to determine the current owner before he issues a citation. President Zwissler asked for the discussion to be suspended.

Councilor Ruton: No comment.

Councilor Wolfe: Stated that he was a property code official for two years and would be happy to help Mr. Riley.

Councilor President Zwissler: No comment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/OTHER BUSINESS: Council Clerk Hans spoke about the Licking County Humane Society Memorandum of Understanding. She stated that the Humane Society sent a bill for our 2017 contribution at a cost of \$25 per month. Clerk Hans further stated that there was a \$25 overpayment in 2016 and, therefore, the cost to the village for 2017 will be \$275.

Motion by Councilor Wolfe to continue the memorandum of understanding with the Licking County Humane Society for 2017 and agree to pay \$25 per month toward their services in the Village of Buckeye Lake, seconded by Councilor Ruton.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Wells, Wolfe, Zwissler, Poorman, Ruton
Motion Passed 5-0.

Council Clerk Hans read an email addressed to Village Council and Commission members received on 2/13/17 and sent by Charlene Hayden until she was asked to suspend by President Zwissler. Councilor Ruton objected to the suspension of reading the email..

A copy of this email addressed to council is included with the council meeting minutes.

Councilor Wells asked why the subdivision regulations posted on the village website appear to be under the process of revision with some sentences crossed out. They do not bear a date or by what method they were approved. Karen Cookston stated she doesn't know how it was approved to go on the website but the regulations were adopted years ago. We had a contract with Licking County and they helped with subdivision regulations. We had to adopt their regulations in order to get support. We did modify the. They were given to us in a PDF and we took the Licking County name off and put the village name in. She said her opinion was that the wrong version was posted because she's certain they were approved by council.

Adjournment: Motion by Councilor Wells to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilor Wolfe.

VOTE: IN-FAVOR: ALL YEAS; MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: February 27, 2017



Valerie L. Hans, Clerk of Council



Catherine Olohan Zwissler, Council President