

Buckeye Lake Village Council Meeting Minutes
Held in Council Chambers, streamed live on Facebook
March 23, 2026

Call to Order: By Council President Tom Wolfe 7:06p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence: Led by Council President Tom Wolfe.

Roll Call: Present: Don Cable, Kellie Green, Douglas Keener, John Lemmon, Michelle McCormick,
Tom Wolfe

Absent: Deb Julian

Staff Present: Linda Goodman, Mayor; Samantha Torres, Clerk of Council; Jason Harget, Police Chief; Jerry Brooks, Fire Chief; Toby Miller, Water Superintendent; Olivia Newbold, Development Director; Kevin Strang, Zoning Inspector;

Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes: Motion by Councilor Keener, seconded by Councilor Green, to approve the March 9, 2026 regular council meeting minutes.

Roll call vote: Yes: McCormick, Wolfe, Cable, Green, Keener, Lemmon

Abstain: 0; **Nays:** 0; **Motion Passed 6 – 0**

Approval of Reconciliations and Clerk Treasurer's Report: Motion by Councilor Keener, seconded by Councilor Green, to approve the February 2026 bank reconciliations and Treasurer's report dated March 19, 2026.

Roll call vote: Yes: McCormick, Wolfe, Cable, Green, Keener, Lemmon

Abstain: 0; **Nays:** 0; **Motion Passed 6 – 0**

APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS: Mayor Goodman introduced Olivia Newbold as the new Development Director.

COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

Finance Committee: Minutes submitted. Next committee meeting will be held on April 13th where they will discuss levies for the Fall to get 3 readings in without need for emergency.

Public Safety Committee: Absent, no report.

Public Service Committee: Meeting held tonight. Topics included Crane Lake roadway dedication progress. Encroachment survey is in progress. Potential paving beginning in April. This Winter's salt supply - looking at equipment and costs for handling the salt supply. Ordinances for tonight were approved by committee. April 27th at 6:00pm will be the next meeting.

Rules Committee: Nothing for Rules. No meeting for Planning and Zoning.

Community Development Committee: Planning a meeting on April 27th. Will update business directory. Will get ideas from Development Director and her committee.

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Personnel Committee: Next meeting on April 13th following Finance - get up to date with committee members and items that are needed.

Report of Council President: Have a lot of folks listening. Hello and Hi welcome everyone to watching on the World Wide Web.

REPORT OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS – WRITTEN OR VERBAL

Police Department – Chief Jason Harget: Report submitted. Welcomed Olivia to the team. Officer Payne has successfully passed his training. Fully staffed to what our village allows. Have some auxiliary officers to help with events

and special events. Investigative training was held here last week on how to handle some felony investigations. The sheriff's office has some resources for the police department. His fifth year as Chief. Do their own investigations. BCI can provide resources if needed. Happy with collaboration with county prosecutor's office. Marcy's Law changed everything when it comes to victims' rights. Happy for extra help from them. Easter Egg Hunt - can always use extra candy to stuff eggs for the kids. Have had several felony investigations that take a lot of time. Hope to finish some of them up. Had grand jury last week. Use of police office phone - Do not expect the officers to answer the phone. Please call 740-670-5555 Option #1 for the Sherrif's office for dispatch - just as fast as 911.

Fire Department – Chief Jerry Brooks: Went over his submitted report. Had a crew that made a rescue attempt in a serious fire and worked the patient to the hospital. New roof had some shingles blow off on the west side of the building that were repaired free of charge. Stryker had a data breach last week that threw everything off. Estimated to be this week when the village will get the power cot from them. Should take about 2 hours to install. 800 eggs still need stuffed, need candy.

Public Works – Superintendent Toby Miller: No additional report. Please refer to the Public Service Committee meeting from earlier in the evening.

Parks and Recreation – Annetta Macedonia: No representative; no verbal report.

Code Enforcement: No representative.

Zoning – Kevin Strang: Went over his submitted report. He has helped with 5 code issues this month as well.

Planning & Zoning / BZA Commission: No report.

Report of Mayor Goodman: Read her submitted mayor's report.

Citizen's Comments Regarding Legislation on Tonight's Agenda: None.

ORDINANCES

Ordinances for 3rd Reading –

Ordinance 2026-08 - AN ORDINANCE ENACTING PROHIBITIONS AGAINST UNREASONABLE NOISE.

Motion by Councilor Lemmon, seconded by Councilor Green to adopt Ordinance 2026-08.

Roll call vote: **Yes:** McCormick, Wolfe, Cable, Green, Keener, Lemmon
Abstain: 0; **Nays:** 0; **Motion Passed 6 – 0**

Ordinances for 2nd Reading – None.

Ordinances for 1st Reading –

Ordinance 2026-09 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE TRANSFERS OF VILLAGE PROPERTY TO VILLAGE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE WALNUT RD WIDENING AND SIDEWALK PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Councilor Keener seconded by Councilor Lemmon to suspend the rules.

Roll call vote: **Yes:** McCormick, Wolfe, Cable, Green, Keener, Lemmon
Abstain: 0; **Nays:** 0; **Motion Passed 6 – 0**

Motion by Councilor Keener, seconded by Councilor Green to adopt Ordinance 2026-09.

Roll call vote: **Yes:** McCormick, Wolfe, Cable, Green, Keener, Lemmon
Abstain: 0; **Nays:** 0; **Motion Passed 6 – 0**

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions for 3rd Reading – None.

Resolutions for 2nd Reading – None.

Resolutions for 1st Reading -

Resolution 2026-02 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT (WSRLA) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF BUCKEYE LAKE FOR PLANNING, DESIGN, AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER FACILITIES; DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Councilor Keener, seconded by Councilor Lemmon to suspend the rules.

Roll call vote: Yes: McCormick, Wolfe, Cable, Green, Keener, Lemmon

Abstain: 0; **Nays:** 0; **Motion Passed 6 – 0**

Motion by Councilor Keener, seconded by Councilor Green to adopt Resolution 2026-02.

Roll call vote: Yes: McCormick, Wolfe, Cable, Green, Keener, Lemmon

Abstain: 0; **Nays:** 0; **Motion Passed 6 – 0**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Proposed New Zoning Code – Councilor Lemmon wanted to know what the game plan is for any recommendations coming from council. President Wolfe stated that there was input that Kim Littleton could change and then council could have another public hearing on those further changes. President Wolfe will suggest we have the next public hearing April 27th. Councilor Cable asked Kim if council could send him an email about his concerns, to which Kim said yes.

Motion by Councilor Keener, seconded by Councilor Lemmon to hold the next public hearing for the proposed new zoning code changes on May 11th at 6:00pm.

Roll call vote: Yes: McCormick, Wolfe, Cable, Green, Keener, Lemmon

Abstain: 0; **Nays:** 0; **Motion Passed 6 – 0**

CITIZEN’S COMMENTS –

Karen Cookston - wants to spend more time on it. She thinks there are a lot more citizen's comments that should happen within the document – some clerical and auditing that needs to happen especially in the urban position that should be considered for some adjustment.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS –

Councilor McCormick – Council is doing a fantastic job getting things moving. Congratulates them.

Councilor Wolfe - Welcomed Olivia. Likes the idea of having an hour for the public hearing. Thinks this council really does want to hear from our residents. Please talk to your council. We appreciate your input. Easter Egg Hunt is a big hit.

Councilor Cable – Welcomes Olivia. Will be interesting to work together and receive input. Have not had this position in the village before. Weather is changing. Be careful on the streets. Buy local.

Councilor Green – Welcomed Olivia. Thanked public for showing up tonight. When we make changes for the community, like a zoning book, that is huge. Thanked Council President Wolfe for running the meeting so well. Everyone have a nice week.

Councilor Keener – Welcomed Olivia. Thanks to everyone who came out tonight. Important that we receive feedback.

Councilor Lemmon – Thanked citizens who showed up and took the time to read the proposed new zoning code. He had two pages of questions himself. Hopes council gets their own input before the final draft.

Adjournment: Motion by Councilor Cable, seconded by Councilor Lemmon, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

NEXT MEETING: Regular Council Meeting – April 13, 2026

Samantha Torres
Samantha Torres, Council Clerk

Tom Wolfe
Tom Wolfe, Council President