

Mayor's Report

Village of Buckeye Lake

April 22, 2019

1. Local Waste was kind enough to move an empty dumpster from the street department to a private residence in the Myers Addition. The property owner is disabled and unable to clean up his code violations. His neighbors and I have been helping him clean up his property. Other neighbors have also appreciated the opportunity to clean up. The empty dumpster was left over from the Spring Cleanup and was part of our contract. It will not cost the village any extra.
2. Clerk-Treasurer Rochelle Menningen just returned from vacation. During her absence, Toby and I interviewed a candidate for the Clerk-Treasurer position. Rochelle reported that her last day will be April 25. We have another applicant from out of state who we will be interviewing via conference call.
3. We have two front exterior doors on the municipal building with broken lower hinges. A door repair company will be making a service call this week. Apparently, these are the original doors with pivot hinges. I'm told that the lower hinges usually break first due to years of exposure to salt.
4. Thanks to Casey Clark for finding sign locations for the police levy. We appreciate the time and effort she was invested in this project. Casey is planning on distributing a flyer to registered voters. Anyone interested in helping may leave their name and number at the village hall: 740-928-7100.
5. On Thursday, April 18, nine residents came down to the village hall to speak to me regarding a drug house in their immediate neighborhood. They indicated that they were no longer going to tolerate all the associated activity and requested help. Officer Jackson and myself met with them to hear their concerns. We set up a meeting the following day with Chief Wardlow and two officers who work with Central Ohio Drug Enforcement. Officer Jackson and I also participated in that meeting. After the meeting, I made contact with the property owner who lives out of the area. He met with us today and will be serving an eviction notice. Code Enforcement Officer Rex Adkins has also issued citations for code violations.
6. Out of respect for all our neighbors, we are asking residents to keep their grass cut regularly and to keep their yards cleared of debris and unlicensed vehicles. The Code Enforcement Officer will soon be issuing citations into Mayor's Court after first giving written warnings.
7. Long-time summer food program organizers Kaye Hartman and Marianne Perine report that the program will run from June 3 through August 9. They were fearful that the government would cut our local program since they claim that our Low to Moderate Income (LMI) percentage has decreased.
8. The video system cameras in council chambers have been disabled. They will be reactivated for Mayor's Court sessions to protect our magistrate, officers, court officials and anyone in attendance. Since we are now hearing maintenance code violations these sessions have the potential to become heated.

Respectfully,

Mayor Peggy Wells

