Mayor's Report Village of Buckeye Lake 10-28-19

- 1. On October 24, I swore in five new members of the BLFD. Please welcome Paramedics Lawrence Tittle, Cody Blamey, Christopher Clancy, Jacob Toothman and EMT Travis Colley. All are currently employed by the HFD but will also be helping us fill in our empty shifts.
- 2. The Highland Stormwater project is underway and may take several weeks to complete.
- 3. We closed on the real estate at 4924 Walnut Road on October 25 for \$200 plus \$34 in recording fees. This is the vacant lot on the East side of the spillway. Licking County Land Bank demolished a house on that lot a few months ago
- 4. I spoke to Realtor/Auctioneer Gary Babcock regarding the process of auctioning village property located at 55 Seventh Street. He is willing to come to a council meeting to describe the process, fees and timeline. Attorney Brian Zets is ready to prepare the legislation as soon as council decides on the auctioneer.
- 5. Report on delinquent bed tax from Motel 6: Thanks to the efforts of Clerk-Treasurer Rochelle Menningen, they paid \$4,607.47 on October 9 for 2018. They have yet to fulfill their promise to pay the bed tax for January through September 2019.
- 6. I attended a Board meeting for the Friends of the Buckeye Lake Library this past week where I learned about the children's programs and the board's successful fundraising events.
- 7. Thanks to Barry Herron who stopped to help me sweep shattered glass off Route 79 Southbound in the area of Union Street. Thanks to the Buckeye Lake Hardware for disposing of the large and thick chards of broken glass.
- 8. Resident Pam Reed has a nephew who has designed and created some beautiful Christmas decorations for our village streets. Pam has funded this project up front but hopes to get reimbursed with a fundraising project she will spearhead.
- 9. Council Candidate John Lemmon has organized a Veteran's Day event on Sunday, November 10 in the municipal parking lot. There will be a flag raising at 9:30 a.m. by the honor guard. Veterans can get a free breakfast afterwards at the Corner House. Everyone is welcome.
- 10. We have a spreadsheet on the cost of the utilities and property taxes for The Harbor. The totals from January-October 2019 that have been paid by the village are as follows. I'm not certain how the village can justify paying these expenses when we don't do the same for other non-profits in the village.

AEP	\$ 2,349.77
Energy Coop	2,686.00
Licking Wastewater	480.00
Property Taxes	2,370.10
Total	\$ 7,885.87

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy**/**A. Wells