

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

July 11, 2022

Call to Order: By Council President Linda Goodman at 7:03p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence: Led by Council President Linda Goodman.

Roll Call: Present: Don Cable (0,0), Linda Goodman (0,0), Deb Julian (0,0),
(Consecutive, Total Absences) John Lemmon (0,0), Max Thompson (0,1), Sue Wadley (0,0), Tom Wolfe (0,0)

Staff Present: Mayor Jeryne Peterson; Jennifer Dennis, Clerk/Treasurer via Zoom; Samantha Torres, Clerk of Council;

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes: Motion by Councilor Cable, seconded by Councilor Lemmon, to approve the June 27, 2022 regular council meeting minutes.

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson

Abstain: 0; Nays: 0; Motion Passed 7 – 0

Approval of Clerk Treasurer's Report: Motion by Councilor Lemmon, seconded by Councilor Julian, to approve the June Reconciliations and Treasurer's report dated July 6, 2022.

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson

Abstain: 0; Nays: 0; Motion Passed 7 – 0

Fiscal Officer Jennifer Dennis spoke via Zoom to say that the second part of the ARPA fund will be coming July 15th. She received today by email that the opioid settlement is completed and that money will be received this week as well. She asked that council begin talking about getting a group together to discuss how to spend that money. No amount has been given yet but the first round of money will be sent this week and then will trickle down month by month depending on how much they get. Jennifer can send out a list of items the money can be used on. President Goodman suggested coordinating this with the police and fire departments.

APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Motion by Councilor Lemmon, seconded by Councilor Cable, to reappoint Charter Review Commission members Mark Pyle, Sherry Segna, Carole Winkle, Cindy Stewart, and Margaret Hanson as a whole for the remainder of 2022.

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson

Abstain: 0; Nays: 0; Motion Passed 7 – 0

COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee: No report.

Public Safety Committee: Police and Fire movie night at the park is going well. They are still taking donations for the exotic pet expo and the movie nights, which can be dropped off at the village office.

Public Service Committee: Meeting minutes submitted. Meeting was held July 6th at 6:30pm to continue discussion on ongoing topics. Construction is continuing on State Route 79. Myers and Central Avenues and the park parking lot paving projects are completed.

Rules Committee: Next standing meeting to be held on July 25th at 6:00pm.

Community Development Committee: Meeting held today about proposal and amendments to a short-term rental ordinance. Amendments will be added and adjusted and sent to the solicitor to be made into a formal ordinance to be presented to council for a vote.

Personnel Committee: Meeting minutes submitted. Next Personnel meeting to be held on July 25th at 6:30pm.

Report of Council President: July 21st at 4:00pm in Council Chambers there will be a casual open house for the Comprehensive Plan. Those attending can speak with OHM who has been working on the plan and they may give their ideas. OHM has received 70 comprehensive plan survey responses from residents so far.

Report of Mayor: Mayor Peterson was not in attendance at this time but arrived later.

ORDINANCES

Ordinances for 3rd Reading – None.

Ordinances for 2nd Reading – None.

Ordinances for 1st Reading – None.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions for 3rd Reading – None.

Resolutions for 2nd Reading – None.

Resolutions for 1st Reading –

Resolution 2022-13 - A RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH A REPLACEMENT LEVY ON PROPERTY IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE VILLAGE AND TO SUBMIT THE QUESTION OF THE REPLACEMENT TAX TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE AT THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022, ELECTION AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY.

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

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson

Abstain: 0; Nays: 0; Motion Passed 7 – 0

Motion by Councilor Lemmon, seconded by Councilor Thompson, to adopt Resolution 2022-13.

Discussion: Councilor Lemmon is in favor of the replacement option and if we educate the people about what it is for, he thinks it can be passed. He stated that the village needs to keep up with the times and inflation rate.

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson

Abstain: 0; Nays: 0; Motion Passed 7 – 0

Resolution 2022-14 - A RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH A RENEWAL LEVY ON PROPERTY IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE VILLAGE AND TO SUBMIT THE QUESTION OF THE RENEWAL TAX TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE AT THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022, ELECTION AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY.

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

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson

Abstain: 0; Nays: 0; Motion Passed 7 – 0

Motion by Councilor Lemmon, seconded by Councilor Cable, to adopt Resolution 2022-14.

Roll call vote: Yes: 0

Abstain: 0; Nays: Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson;

Motion Failed 0 – 7

Resolution 2022-15 - A RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH A RENEWAL LEVY WITH AN INCREASE IN RATE OF TWENTY-FIVE HUNDREDTHS (.25) TO FIVE AND TWENTY-FIVE HUNDREDETHS (5.25) MILLS ON PROPERTY IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE VILLAGE AND TO SUBMIT THE QUESTION OF THE RENEWAL TAX TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE AT THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022, ELECTION AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY.

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

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson

Abstain: 0; **Nays:** Cable; **Motion Passed 6 – 1**

Motion by Councilor Cable, seconded by Councilor Lemmon, to adopt Resolution 2022-15.

Discussion: This would be an increased rate based on previous market rate. Councilor Lemmon stated that the designation of the funds can be discussed.

Roll call vote: Yes: 0

Abstain: 0; **Nays:** Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson;

Motion Failed 0 – 7

Fiscal Officer Jennifer Dennis stated she will get this submitted to the Board of Elections tomorrow. Designation of funds would be a resolution or ordinance to be completed in-house and it would be good to do before the November election so that the voters are aware of where the money will be appropriated.

Resolution 2022-16 - A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE TO VILLAGE PROPERTY BY PROPERTY OWNER STEVE SCHILLING AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Councilor Julian, seconded by Councilor Wolfe, to suspend the rules.

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson

Abstain: 0; **Nays:** 0; **Motion Passed 7 – 0**

Motion by Councilor Cable, seconded by Councilor Julian, to adopt Resolution 2022-16.

Discussion: Councilor Cable stated that this came out of the Public Service Committee to recommend to full council. Councilor Goodman asked if there was a permit for this work to be done on village property. Mayor Peterson said there were two permits. Councilor Goodman stated that it is greatly appreciated what Mr. Schilling did, but what is the precedent being set. Mayor Peterson said that Toby Miller has asked the village engineers to find the property line pins for both sides of the municipal office property.

Roll call vote: Yes: Wolfe, Cable, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson

Abstain: 0; **Nays:** Wadley, Goodman; **Motion Passed 5 – 2**

Resolution 2022-17 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT AN OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES NATUREWORKS GRANT APPLICATION AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Councilor Julian, seconded by Councilor Thompson, to suspend the rules.

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Goodman, Julian, Thompson
Abstain: 0; **Nays:** Cable, Lemmon; **Motion Passed 5 – 2**

Motion by Councilor Wadley, seconded by Councilor Wolfe, to adopt Resolution 2022-17.

Discussion: Councilor Lemmon stated that council had not received a project proposal or plan for this grant. Mayor Peterson said it is a grant for ADA playground equipment, particularly a swing for those in a wheelchair. The application is due on July 15th and cannot be submitted without a resolution passed by council. Village intern Delaney Horton was given a project by the mayor to research and apply for a grant, which Mayor Peterson said took a lot of time to compile the information for the application. If it is awarded to the village, it will have paid back what was paid for Delaney's time. Fiscal Officer Jennifer Dennis stated that Delaney told her the village would be applying for a \$5,000 grant and the matching funds would need to be 25% / \$1,250, so Jennifer asked council to decide where the matching funds would come from. Councilor Lemmon asked if the village applies for it this year, does it affect the ability to apply next year?

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Goodman, Thompson
Abstain: 0; **Nays:** Cable, Julian, Lemmon; **Motion Passed 4 – 3**

Money would come from the Parks and Recreation budget. Could also use volunteer work.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Food pantry sewer bill -

Motion by Councilor Lemmon, seconded by Councilor Cable, to authorize the Mayor to sign rental property waiver for LEADS food pantry building to put Licking County Water and Wastewater bill in their name.

Roll call vote: Yes: Wadley, Wolfe, Cable, Goodman, Julian, Lemmon, Thompson
Abstain: 0; **Nays: 0;** **Motion Passed 7 – 0**

NEW BUSINESS

Idea of Moratorium on new construction in the Cranberry Bay area - Councilor Lemmon stated there have been comments from citizens about deteriorating roads and he would like to look into putting a halt / moratorium on anything that increases the density of the area (Cranberry Bay) until the roads are fixed and up to standard. Councilor Julian stated that the emergency access road between Cranberry Bay and the Landings at Maple Bay is being put in and there is finally some progress at that end of Cranberry. She said there are ways to do parts of the road repair back there. Councilor Lemmon stated that the Zoning book says that the roads should be 24 feet wide but cannot do that because the roads were adopted as they were built but there is right of way for the village to build some of the roads wider in some spots. Councilor Cable said that it comes down to budgeting and technically the village has 2 years saved up for the paving that is happening this year, as last year's allocated budget for paving was not spent. Councilor Julian said that a solution has to be figured out for the deteriorating roads. Councilor Cable agreed with her but stated that council are the stewards of the finances of the village, and is it the prudent thing to do to give \$200,000 from the General fund to the roads and not to the Fire Department, for example. To Councilor Lemmon's moratorium idea, Councilor Julian asked how do you tell someone who has purchased land and has plans to build that they just invested \$50,000 into a piece of property but they cannot build here right now? Councilor Goodman said it is important to be careful because the village is starting to sound like Big Brother and is it the village's job to micromanage? Councilor Wolfe said there is a proposed development planned for the Cranberry area for 12 lots that would cause a lot of wear and tear on the roads and that is different than building just one single house. Councilor Cable stated there is a lot of picking and choosing when and where to be Big Brother but council is trying to do what they think is correct and the vote is the vote. Councilor Julian said there is larger discussion to be had about the establishment of more private roads, quality of the roads, and right of ways. Councilor Goodman said it is growing pains and

there is development coming in, there are some valuable pieces of property in the village that are for sale, and it is not going to stop and it will continue to get bigger. Councilor Julian said that the fee schedule needs to be figured out so that money from development can be put into the street fund. Councilor Lemmon said the village should want developers to hear that the village wants to get the infrastructure in place so it can be developed properly. Councilor Julian said in the future there needs to be more input on what the highest priorities are in Public Works. Council is here for all of the citizens. Councilor Goodman said that when we look at these pinpointed issues, still need to look at the village as a whole, as that is a piece of the whole.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Teresa Kaylor – 67 Nautica Way – Teresa asked why they did not pave all the way up to East Street where there are large potholes when paving Myers Avenue? She also asked with all of the bad roads in Cranberry Bay, why do street sweepers come to clean the roads? She said the sweepers move debris from the potholes to somewhere else. Councilor Lemmon stated that the street sweeping comes from the trench repair budget to protect the stormwater sewers. Teresa said there is a drain near Nautica that is about to fall in. Councilor Cable said that 2 trucks of patch are coming soon for general pothole repair. Teresa also mentioned a house that is not being taken care of, to which Mayor Peterson said that code enforcement has sent a certified letter to them.

Linda Sims – 64 Lighthouse Lane – Linda suggested that the village collect funds from the builders to make up for damage to the roads, as there have been various concrete, logging, and gravel trucks damaging the roads. Councilor Cable said that the Public Service Committee has had significant discussion about fees along with truck weight limits on the roads and he again encourages citizens to come to the committee meetings where much of the discussion takes place. Linda also mentioned that if the village is looking to widen roads, they need to look at all of the homes that will be affected because, for example, the right of way would make the road be in her bathroom on her property, based on setbacks.

Charlene Hayden – 67 Lighthouse Lane – Charlene thanked Councilor Wolfe for getting together the short-term rental document that was discussed at the Community Development Committee meeting tonight. She hopes that council will get involved with the development that is coming to the end of Cranberry Lane. She thinks that Licking County Planning as well as the village's engineer need to be involved and have input as well. She thinks that private versus public owned property also needs to be looked at.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilor Wadley: Appreciates resident input, which will be valuable for what will happen in the next 5-10 years.

Councilor Wolfe: Appreciates citizens coming to the meeting. He would not mind the Planning and Zoning Commission attending a council meeting in August. He does not want any disconnect between their Commission and council. Need to get all of their thoughts and decisions together to all be on the same page. Have a safe and happy week.

Councilor Cable: It is an honor and a privilege to serve on council. Difficult decisions, especially during this time of transition for the village. Will not be the same Buckeye Lake that many of us know in the coming years. Council members do try to do what they think is correct, even if that means voting 'no.' He respects the members and the citizens.

Councilor Julian: Need to get the fee schedule complete and in front of council for a vote. Had recommendations to gain more money to roads. 2-3 months behind that discussion but it should be high on the list for continued discussion.

Councilor Lemmon: Thanked citizens for their comments. Many of their concerns have been discussed and council members have the same concerns, even if everyone might not agree on how to get there, but they work


it out and talk it out. Moving forward in a positive way and need to find ways to get things done. He respects the 8 elected officials.

Councilor Thompson: It is important to be transparent about how the money from the levies will be spent.

Councilor Goodman: Council President Goodman read a letter from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church about their Parish Picnic that will be held on July 17th from 2-6pm. Thanked citizens for their input. Sometimes it seems that the process moves slowly but council does want to do what is right for the village and hear what the citizens have to say. Have a safe week.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Councilor Cable to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Councilor Wolfe. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm

NEXT MEETING: Regular Council Meeting: July 25, 2022



Samantha Torres, Council Clerk



Linda Goodman, Council President