

Buckeye Lake Village Council Meeting
Held livestream on Facebook
June 22, 2020
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: By Council President Geiger at 7:08p.m.

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

Roll Call: Present: Don Cable (0,0), Bill French (0,0) John Geiger (0,0),
(Consecutive Total Absences) Linda Goodman (0, 0), John Lemmon (0,0),
Kitty Zwissler (0,0), Melissa Beard (0,0)

Mayor Wells

Absent: None

Staff Present: Vicki Wardlow, Police Chief; Toby Miller, Public Works; Cheryl Cade, Office Clerk

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes: Motion by Councilor Lemmon and seconded by Councilor Goodman to approve the June 8, 2020 regular council meeting minutes.

Roll call vote: Yays: Cable, French, Geiger, Goodman, Lemmon, Zwissler, Beard
Nays: 0

Motion Passed 7-0.

Note: Approval on hold, as Casey Clark's statement was not attached to the minutes. Council will approve at next meeting if statement is included.

Approval of Clerk Treasurer's Report: Motion by Councilor Lemmon seconded by Councilor Goodman to approve the Treasurer's report dated June 19, 2020.

Roll call vote: Yays: Cable, French, Geiger, Goodman, Lemmon, Zwissler, Beard
Motion Passed 7-0.

APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS: Council President Geiger stated pursuant to 701 (A) of the Buckeye Lake Charter, which grants Council the authority to appoint members of the Planning and Zoning Commission, such member serving until a successor is named.

Councilor Goodman made a motion to appoint Rick Baker as a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilor French.

Council President Geiger asked for discussion.

Councilor Zwissler expressed concern of the replacement of Karen Cookston who has served on the commission for 27 years.

Roll call vote: Yays: Cable, French, Geiger, Goodman, Lemmon, Zwissler, Beard
Motion Passed 7-0.

Councilor French made a motion to reconfirm Dick Williams as a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilor Goodman.

Council President Geiger asked if there is any discussion:

Roll call vote: Yays: Cable, French, Geiger, Goodman, Lemmon, Zwissler, Beard
Motion Passed 7-0.

COMMISSIONS AND OTHER REPORTS:

Parks and Recreation:

Mayor Wells' Appointments:

1. Appointed Barbara Sills to fill the open seat on the Parks and Recreation Commission

Planning Commission/BZA:

Mayor Wells' Appointments:

1. Appointed John Hanson as vice-president position currently held by Casey Clark
2. Appointed Todd Dickson to replace the position currently held by Teresa Kaylor
3. Appointed Deb Julian to the position currently held by Tom Heisey

She thanked the previous members of the Planning and Zoning Commission for their service.

Councilor Zwissler asked if we could separate Planning & Zoning from Parks & Recs. She said she does not agree with the Planning and Zoning appointments.

Councilor Zwissler expressed concern over appointments made by the Mayor. After Point of Order was called, Councilor Lemmon reminded council that they have no say over Mayor's appointments.

Zoning: Report for the month of June 2020 was submitted.

Code Enforcement: No report.

COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee: Councilor Lemmon stated that his committee met prior to the council meeting to discuss moving forward with the police and fire department budgets. Councilor Lemmon indicated the new budgetary structure should help with this year and budgets for the future. The State Auditor's Office has started the audit for 2018 & 2019. The Traveling Clerks have worked over the last few months to locate and correct any posting errors from 2018 and 2019. This additional work will help reduce audit costs.

Public Safety Committee: No report.

Public Service Committee: Councilor French reminded everyone the committee meets the 1st Monday of the month. There will be a meeting July 6, at 6:30 pm in Village hall. These meetings are ongoing reoccurring subject matter.

Rules Committee: Councilor Cable said residents have asked him why some committees have meetings and some committees do not. There will be meetings to discuss subjects when they come up. No need to meet to just meet.

Community Development Committee: Councilor Zwissler agreed with Councilor Cable expressed concern that meetings should only be held if action is necessary. Councilor Zwissler expressed the importance of filing the Census and bringing new businesses to the village. The next meeting will be July 6, at 6:00 pm. Subject Matter: Creating an Entertainment District and bringing in new business to Buckeye Lake.

Councilor Cable asked when the Farmer's Market is going to open.

Councilor Zwissler indicated the Farmer's Market opens every Thursday from 4:00 – 6:30pm. It will take place outdoors only.

Personnel Committee: Councilor Goodman stated the committee met before this meeting at 6:30. The discussion was concerning the applications received for the Council Clerk position, applications are still being accepted.

Council President Council President Geiger indicated he has been looking at key ordinances.

Report of Mayor Written and verbal report. Mayor Wells stated code enforcement officer, Rex Adkins, opened the sealed bids for mowing grass. He only received two bids. The low bidder was Bingman's Mowing at \$50 for 50' x 100' lot, trim and rake for \$20, and hauling off debris \$20 per load. Mr. Bingman also provided proof of insurance. After discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Bingman's bid will be accepted and Mr. Atkins will monitor the mowing progress.

REPORT OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS WRITTEN, AND VERBALLY BY REQUEST OF COUNCIL

Police Chief: Written reports for the month of June 2020 were submitted.

Fire Chief: Written reports for the month of June 2020 were submitted.

Councilor Zwissler ask if cumulative YTD totals and projections could be submitted on future reports.

Public Works: The basketball court at Ryan-Braden Park was repaved and striped for basketball and pickle ball. The baseball parking lot was stripped as well. The Highland road project is almost done. Phase II of the bridge project, has been submitted to council. Still need financial numbers for the Right of Way (ROW).

Toby Miller, Public Works Supervisor explained how they go about prioritizing work that needs completed. With the passing the street levy, they are now able to repair entire roadways instead of patching them.

Others: None.

Report of Council President: None

Report of Mayor in writing, and verbally by request of Council: Please see attached.

ORDINANCES

3rd READING 2nd READING 1st READING

2020-29 AMENDING ORDINANCE 2019-29 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS
ORDINANCE AND DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Motion by Councilor French to suspend the rules on Ordinance 2020-29, seconded by Councilor Cable.

Roll call vote: Yays: Cable, French, Geiger, Goodman, Lemmon, Zwissler, Beard
Rules Suspended 7-0. Motion passes 7 – 0

Motion by Councilor Lemmon to adopt the rules on Ordinance 2020-29, seconded by Councilor Goodman.

Roll call vote: Yays: Cable, French, Geiger, Goodman, Lemmon, Zwissler, Beard
Rules Adopted 7-0. Motion passes 7-0

RESOLUTIONS

3rd READING 2nd READING 1st READING

2020-06 A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY CORONAVIRUS
RELIEF DISTRIBUTION FUND AND AFFIRMING TO COMPLY WITH ALL
APPLICABLE REGULATIONS RELATED TO THE RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURES OF
SAID FUNDS AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Councilor French to suspend the rules on Resolution 2020-06 and seconded by Councilor Cable.

Roll call vote: Yays: Cable, French, Geiger, Goodman, Lemmon, Zwissler, Beard
Rules Suspended 7-0. Motion passes 7 - 0

Motion by Councilor Lemmon to adopt the rules on Resolution 2010-06 and seconded by Councilor Goodman.

Council President Geiger asked if there is any discussion.

Councilor Zwissler asked how the funding will be spent. The County provided detailed information on how the funds are to be spent and the amount received from the County is based on current year Local Government funding. For the most part, the funding will be spent on redesign of the front office to allow public access and for personal protection and cleaning.

Roll Call Vote: Yays: Cable, French, Geiger, Goodman, Lemmon, Zwissler, Beard
Rules Adopted 7-0 Motion passes 7-0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Council President Geiger read written statements:

1. Jeff Amspaugh 203 North Street. What is the village going to do about the residents speeding up and down Central Avenue and all the other newly repaved roads? As a resident on Central Ave. I am very concerned about this issue. This concern will be sent to Chief Wardlow.

Chief stated when officers have down-time she will be happy to have her officer's police Central Avenue for speeders.

2. Charlene Hayden 67 Lighthouse Lane
See attached statement
3. Casey Clark 241 Lakeview Dr. 69 A
Covid-19 See attached statement.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilor Cable: This is directed to Peggy Wells. Let the council, council and the mayor, mayor.

Councilor French: Thanked Cheryl Cade for stepping up and taking the minutes this evening. He also thanked Karen Cookston, Casey Clark and Tom Heisey for their years of hard work. It's a job you don't get paid for, and sometimes don't get the recognition you deserve.

Councilor Goodman: Stated that she has thought a lot during this evenings meeting about what happened to the Planning & Zoning members. During the election she was asked several times about whose side she was on. She stated she is on the side of what is best for the village. She will not stand by and have residents of the village be punished. I think it is time to move forward. We want to work together. We all want to bring good things to the village. The new staff is a breath of fresh air. She hopes we can start doing the business of the village. We need to stop living in the past.

Councilor Lemmon: He agrees with Councilor Cable and Councilor Goodman. He is proud of the work the Council has done. We have worked independently of the administration, but we do work with them. Administration has certain jobs that need to be done. We have done a really good job.

Councilor Zwissler: I think Council is well motivated and have the best wishes for the village. Although I am not happy with the transparency, she did not hear about the Planning and Zoning changes until this meeting. We need to respect them more. She still has not seen the legal opinion. She disagrees with the process, and some very good people have been let go. How is this fair? These are good people. It doesn't make sense. There should be some social grace.

Councilor Beard: No comment.

Council President Geiger: No comment.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Councilor Zwissler to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilor Lemmon.


VOTE: IN-FAVOR ALL YEAS; MOTION CARRIED 7-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:35

NEXT MEETING: July 13, 2020



Cheryl Cade, Office Clerk



John Geiger, Council President