

The Village of Lakemore  
Minutes for Council Meeting  
January 17, 2017

**Meeting Called to Order** at 7:00 p.m.

**Opening Roll Call:** Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, and Mr. Timko present.

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by Mayor Justice

Motion to Excuse Mrs. Cochran was made by Mr. Cole and seconded by Ms. Snyder. Roll call: Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko and Ms. Snyder voted “yes”. Motion carried.

Motion to **Accept Minutes of the Council Meeting on January 3, 2017**, as presented and not read was made by Mr. Timko and seconded by Mr. Cole. Roll call: Mr. Cole, Mr. Timko, Mr. Lance, Ms. Snyder, and Mrs. Coontz voted “yes”. Motion carried.

Motion to **Accept Bills Presented by Fiscal Officer for \$140,518.02**, as presented and not read was made by Mr. Timko and seconded by Mr. Lance. Roll call: Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, and Mr. Cole voted “yes”. Motion carried.

Motion to **Accept December 2016 Bank Reconciliation** as presented and not read was made by Mr. Timko and seconded by Mrs. Coontz. Roll call: Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, and Mr. Lance voted “yes”. Motion carried.

Motion to **Accept December EMS Collections Report** as presented and not read was made by Mrs. Coontz and seconded by Mr. Cole. Roll call: Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, and Mr. Timko voted “yes”. Motion carried.

**Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions**

Ordinance 1573-2017 “Increase Municipal Income Tax to 2.25%” 2<sup>nd</sup> reading Lance

Resolution 6679-2016 “request advanced payment of tax funds” 3<sup>rd</sup> reading Lance

Resolution 6680-2017 “Direct Board of Elections to place income tax increase issue on May 2<sup>nd</sup> ballot” 2<sup>nd</sup> reading Lance

Resolution 6684-2017 “Accept Resignation of Jackson Karakis” emergency Coontz

Resolution 6685-2017 “Accept 1<sup>st</sup> qtr blank purchase orders” emergency Lance

Resolution 6686-2017 “Sewer Master Meter agreement with Akron” 1<sup>st</sup> read Lance

Resolution 6687-2017 “Accept 5<sup>th</sup> St property from Nazareth” 1<sup>st</sup> read Cole

**Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Justice talked about the land re-utilization program the Village has entered with Summit County, the five properties acquired through this program, and the upcoming demolition of 1535 Raymond Avenue.

Mayor Justice expressed the need to address the zoning challenges the Village faces. Though the Village has experienced many victories, the Village must focus through 2017 to reduce more zoning issues. He mentioned the Summit County Land Bank can be a useful organization.

### **Council Committee Reports**

Mr. Timko announced the next Council meetings will be Monday, February 6, 2017, and Tuesday, February 21, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Lance announced the next Council workshop will be January 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. and February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Cole announced the Lakemore United Methodist Church is holding their monthly swiss steak dinner on February 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Cole announced the Lakemore Lions Club is holding a spaghetti dinner fundraiser Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Lakemore United Methodist Church.

Mr. Cole announced the Friends of Lakemore Parks is holding their second annual quarter auction at Super Learning Center on Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Cole mentioned there was a good turn-out for the skating party on Martin Luther King Jr Day. Super Learning Center is hosting another skating party on President's Day.

Mrs. Coontz reminded residents to mention they live in the Village of Lakemore when renewing annual registrations / tags to ensure we receive permissive and license money.

Ms. Snyder announced she is holding monthly Art Workshops the second Tuesday of each month at the Lakemore Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m.

### **Appearing Before Council**

Mr. Kevin Atkinson of 1566 Sunnyside Avenue asked questions about the re-established Lakemore Police Department. Mr. Atkinson asked how much was being paid to Springfield Township for police services and what specific services were covered under that contract.

Mr. Atkinson asked if the staff size has been established for the Lakemore Police Department. Mr. Cole explained nothing has been decided yet. Mayor Justice explained that so far the committee has decided on hiring a chief and someone for the office; the rest of the officers will be decided based on available funds budgeted. There may be four full-time and four part-time.

Mr. Atkinson asked if the budget created for the Lakemore Police Department is less than what was being paid for services provided by Springfield Township. Mr. Cole confirmed.

Mr. Atkinson asked if the committee has determined how much will be required as start-up costs. He asked if anyone who transferred to Springfield Township will return. Mayor Justice stated the cost to replace the floor in the police building has been confirmed at \$6000.00. He explained the committee is still working to ensure police service will be made better while staying within the budget.

Mr. Atkinson asked if the committee or Council have considered asking for a levy to afford the Lakemore Police Department if determined the current budget is insufficient. Mr. Timko explained that decision is too early to make, as the amount spent to just patrol within the Lakemore corporation limits will cost less than patrolling between two communities as Springfield has to do when providing services.

Ms. Judy Keister of 2360 Lakeside Drive requested the status of the zoning nuisance on Hilda. She asked if Council had a date when the partially built structure would be razed. Mayor Justice explained the Village Solicitor is awaiting the completion of the criminal cases before moving forward on the razing order of the structure. He re-assured that zoning violation remains a priority for the Village, but the completion of the criminal cases will directly affect many.

### **Old Business**

Mr. Lance made a motion to adopt Resolution 6679-2016. Mr. Cole seconded the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, and Ms. Snyder voted "yes". Resolution adopted.

### **New Business**

Mr. Lance made a motion to dispense with the third reading of Ordinance 1573-2017. Mr. Timko seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, and Mrs. Coontz voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Lance made a motion to adopt Ordinance 1573-2017. Mr. Timko seconded the motion. Mrs. Coontz asked if a public hearing was required before passing the legislation. Ms. Fast had confirmed with the Board of Elections that no hearing was required to request the issue be placed on the ballot. Everyone agreed public hearings should be held before the May 2<sup>nd</sup> election to explain the need for the increase in the local income tax. Roll call: Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, and Mr. Cole voted "yes". Ordinance adopted.

Mr. Lance made a motion to dispense with the third reading of Resolution 6680-2017. Mr. Timko seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, and Mr. Lance voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Lance made a motion to adopt Resolution 6680-2017. Mr. Timko seconded the motion. Roll call: Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, and Mr. Timko voted "yes". Resolution adopted.

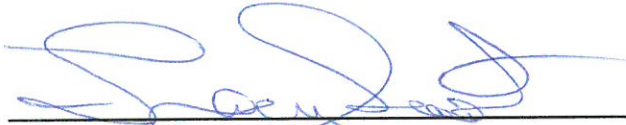
Mr. Lance made a motion to dispense with the three readings of Resolution 6685-2017. Mr. Timko seconded the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, and Ms. Snyder voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Lance made a motion to adopt Resolution 6685-2017. Mr. Timko seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, and Mrs. Coontz voted "yes". Resolution adopted.

Mrs. Coontz made a motion to dispense with the three readings of Resolution 6684-2017. Mr. Lance seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, and Mr. Cole voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mrs. Coontz made a motion to adopt Resolution 6684-2017. Mr. Timko seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, and Mr. Lance voted "yes". Resolution adopted.

**Motion for Adjournment** was made by Mr. Cole and seconded by Mrs. Coontz. Roll call: Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, and Mr. Timko voted "yes". Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.



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