

The Village of Lakemore
Minutes for Council Meeting
January 3, 2017

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Justice.

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

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Justice.

Motion to **Dispense with the Regular Order of Business** for Nominations for President Pro Tempore for Council was made by Mrs. Cochran and seconded by Ms. Snyder. Roll call: Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, and Ms. Snyder voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Cole was elected to remain Council President Pro Tempore for 2017.

Motion to **Return to the Regular Order of Business** was made by Mrs. Cochran and seconded by Mr. Cole. Roll call: Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, and Mrs. Cochran voted "yes". Motion carried.

Motion to **Accept Minutes of the Council Meeting on December 19, 2016**, as presented and not read was made by Ms. Snyder and seconded by Mr. Cole. Roll call: Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, and Mrs. Coontz voted "yes". Mr. Timko abstained. Motion carried.

Motion to **Accept Bills Presented by Fiscal Officer for \$115,574.11**, as presented and not read was made by Mr. Timko and seconded by Mrs. Cochran. Roll call: Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, and Mr. Cole voted "yes". Motion carried.

Motion to **Accept December DOPS Delinquency Report** as presented and not read was made by Mr. Timko and seconded by Mrs. Coontz. Roll call: Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, and Mr. Lance voted "yes". Motion carried.

Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance 1571-2016 "Medical marijuana moratorium" 3rd reading Cole

Ordinance 1573-2017 "Increase Municipal Income Tax to 2.25%" 1st reading Lance

Resolution 6679-2016 "request advanced payment of tax funds" 2nd reading Lance

Resolution 6680-2017 "Direct Board of Elections to place income tax increase issue on May 2nd ballot" 1st reading Lance

Resolution 6682-2017 “Re-instate Lakemore Police Department and Approve Mayor’s Appointment of Ken Ray as Chief” emergency Cochran

Resolution 6683-2017 “Terminate Police Contact with Springfield Twp for 2017” emergency Cole

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Justice expressed gratitude to Springfield Township, their police department, and community for supporting the Village of Lakemore throughout our Fiscal Emergency since 2009. He explained the Village would still be in Fiscal Emergency had Springfield Township not agreed to provide assistance and police services. Their support has granted us the ability to begin working to put our police department back in place.

Mayor Justice reported some of the major accomplishments the Village had achieved during 2016. He asked for a moment of silence for those residents who passed away over the holidays.

Mayor Justice recognized Fire Officer Falcone for his accomplishment at the USA powerlifting event in New York. He also recognized Larry Kovach for volunteering over 400 hours with the Springfield Township Police Auxiliary.

Council Committee Reports

Mrs. Coontz recognized the many trainings and certificates earned by Chief Reinbolt, Joe Dies, Luke Ricketts, Shawn Parsell, Brian Cyphert, Andrew Falcone, Gary Orr, and Cody Conley for the Lakemore Fire Department during 2016.

Mrs. Coontz announced the Friends of Lakemore Parks will hold another Quarter Auction at Super Learning Center on Saturday, February 25th.

Mrs. Cochran announced the Lakemore Lion’s Club is holding a spaghetti dinner at Lakemore United Methodist Church on February 11, 2017.

Mrs. Cochran also requested anyone interested in serving as a volunteer for the Springfield Township Police Auxiliary to contact the Springfield Police Department.

Ms. Snyder reminded everyone she is holding art workshops for children the second Tuesday each month at 5:00 p.m. at the Lakemore Municipal Building.

Mr. Cole recognized the Lakemore Lions Club was re-instated in 2016 to assist our community.

Mr. Cole announced a skating party will be held on January 10th from 6:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

Mr. Cole announced Super Learning Center is hosting a skating party with free admission on January 16th.

Mr. Cole announced Lakemore United Methodist Church will have a swiss steak dinner on January 21, 2017.

Mr. Lance announced the next Council meetings will be Tuesday, January 17th and Monday, February 6, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. The next Council workshop will be January 11th and January 24th at 6:00 p.m.

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

Mr. Timko also thanked the residents for approving the additional fire department levy; so we could continue to provide excellent services to our community.

Old Business

Mr. Cole made a motion to adopt Ordinance 1571-2016. Mr. Timko expressed the need to research the zoning issue further, as the State of Ohio is still making regulations regarding medical marijuana. Mr. Lance seconded the motion. Roll call: Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, and Mr. Timko voted "yes". Ordinance adopted.

New Business

Mrs. Cochran made a motion to dispense with the three readings of Resolution 6682-2017. Mr. Cole seconded the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, and Ms. Snyder voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mrs. Cochran made a motion to adopt Resolution 6682-2017. Mr. Cole seconded the motion. Mr. Timko expressed appreciation for the police services provided by Springfield Township while we went through Fiscal Emergency and hope for continued positive relations with Springfield Township, their departments, and residents. Mayor Justice explained this provides us the opportunity to start fresh with a quality department. Roll call: Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, and Mrs. Cochran voted "yes". Resolution adopted.

Mr. Cole made a motion to dispense with the three readings of Resolution 6683-2017. Mr. Timko seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Cole, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, and Mrs. Coontz voted "yes". Mr. Lance voted "no". Motion carried.

Mr. Cole made a motion to adopt Resolution 6683-2017. Mr. Cole stated this legislation is in no way criticizing the service provided by the Springfield Township Police Department, but a chance to move forward.

Mr. Lance explained he wants to see the Village move forward to reinstate the Lakemore Police Department and appoint Ken Ray as Chief, but he does not believe terminating the contract with Springfield Township now as effective June 1, 2017, is necessary without a solid plan in place. Mayor Justice elaborated a great deal of work is still necessary, but the committee has started the groundwork for operations and goals.

Mr. Cole agreed a lot of work is still needed, but he does not believe the Village is "re-inventing the wheel". He believes the department will be ready for operation before June 1, 2017.

Roll call: Mr. Lance voted "no". Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, and Mr. Cole voted "yes". Resolution adopted.

Motion for Adjournment was made by Mrs. Cochran and seconded by Mrs. Coontz. Roll call: Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, and Mr. Lance voted "yes".

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.


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