

The Village of Lakemore
Minutes for Council Meeting
February 22, 2016

Meeting Called to Order at 7:05 p.m.

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

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Justice.

Motion to Accept Minutes of Council Meeting on February 1, 2016, as presented and not read was made by Ms. Snyder and seconded by Mr. Timko. Roll call: Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, and Ms. Snyder voted "yes". Mrs. Cochran abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

Motion to Accept Bills Presented by Fiscal Officer for \$177,633.42 as presented and not read was made by Mr. Lance and seconded by Mr. Timko. Mr. Lance inquired to the increase in the Summa Care Health Insurance bill. Ms. Fast explained a new, full-time employee was added as well as a spouse for a current employee. Roll call: Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, and Mrs. Cochran voted "yes". Motion carried.

Motion to Accept February 2016 DOPS Delinquency Report as presented and not read was made by Mr. Timko and seconded by Mr. Cole. Roll call: Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, and Mrs. Coontz voted "yes". Motion carried.

Motion to Accept EMS January 2016 Collections Report as presented and not read was made by Mrs. Coontz and seconded by Mr. Cole. Roll call: Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, and Mr. Cole voted "yes". Motion carried.

Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution 6637-2016 "to contract with Brouse McDowall for solicitor services" 2nd read Cole

Resolution 6639-2016 "lease agreement for police cruiser" emergency Lance

Ordinance 1542-2016 "establishing restrictions for vicious animals 1st read Coontz

Ordinance 1555-2016 "create sanitary sewer reconciliation charge" 2nd read Lance

Ordinance 1556-2016 "create fund for Parks & Rec donations" 3rd read Lance

Ordinance 1557-2016 "to increase monthly trash charge" 2nd read Timko

Ordinance 1558-2016 "approve final financial plan and forecast" 2nd read Lance

Ordinance 1559-2016 "amending Policies and Procedures for fiscal emergency" 2nd read Cole

Mayor's Reports

Mayor Justice elaborated on the need for the legislation regarding vicious animals, a sanitary sewer reconciliation charge, and increase on trash charges. Past problems with vicious animals have spurred a need for more stringent regulations and penalties. Increases in sanitary sewer transportation and treatment charges from the City of Akron have forced the Village to impose a reconciliation charge. While the Village and other master meter customers for the City of Akron are fighting the major increase, collecting the fee is necessary to ensure payment is possible without creating a deficit in the sanitary sewer fund.

Once means to determine accurate rates based on the needs and affordability of the Village, Mayor Justice explained he and Council are reviewing an opportunity for a rate study for water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer utilities. A rate study conducted by an experienced engineering will afford fixed costs, variable costs, and capital improvements of our aging infrastructure.

Council Committee Reports

Ms. Snyder announced she is holding art workshops the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at the Lakemore Municipal Building.

Ms. Snyder thanked all who created artwork for the recent art exhibition at the Barberton Fine Arts Gallery. She has pictures from the event.

Mrs. Cochran announced the annual Egg Hunt will be Saturday, March 26th at Lakemore Waterworks Park. Council and volunteers will schedule to fill eggs; so donations are greatly appreciated!

Mrs. Coontz announced the upcoming public hearing on March 7th at 6:00 p.m. This has been scheduled for upcoming legislation regarding a sanitary sewer reconciliation charge and an increase in the quarterly trash / recycling services charge.

Mr. Lance announced the next Council meetings will be March 7th and March 21th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Timko asked everyone to report their residence as the Village of Lakemore to ensure the Village receives permissive funds, as well as gas excise taxes, when renewing licenses and tags. This is important for those who have a 44312 zip code.

Mr. Cole reminded everyone of the Quarter auction that will be held on February 27th at Super Learning Center. This event is hosted by the Friends of Lakemore Parks and Recreation as a means to raise funds to improve village parks.

Mr. Cole announced the next Council workshops will be March 2nd and March 16th at 6:00 p.m. As Council and volunteers purchase candy to fill the eggs for the annual egg hunt, Mr. Cole asked for any donations to help with the event. The eggs will be filled on March 16th.

Mr. Cole announced the Army & Navy Garrison 273 is holding their annual swiss steak dinner on March 12th,

Mr. Cole announced the Port Summit Rotary Club is holding a skating party at the Springfield Lake Roller Rink on March 13th. Proceeds will benefit Goodwill Industries.

Mr. Cole announced VASP is hosting a breakfast at Springfield High School on March 19th. Proceeds will afford the purchase of AED's.

Mr. Cole announced the Springfield Township egg hunt will be March 19th at 11:00 a.m.

Mr. Cole announced the Lakemore United Methodist Church will hold a swiss steak dinner on March 19th.

Appearing Before Council

Mrs. Darla Hershey elaborated on the upcoming quarter auction. She is the chairperson for the Friends of Lakemore's Parks and is responsible for creating the benefit. Mrs. Hershey announced at least 30 vendors will be present to sell popular brand-name items. Door prizes, a 50/50 raffle, and food will be available.

Mr. Steve Shrock expressed his irritation, believing the Village has not made sufficient efforts to fix the flooding problem on his property. He suggested the additional storm water pumped into the sanitary sewer during flooding is impacting the inflated fees charged by the City of Akron, thus passed to the residents. He asked the Village fix the flooding issue to avoid his need to file a claim again the Village for property damage and hardship.

Old Business

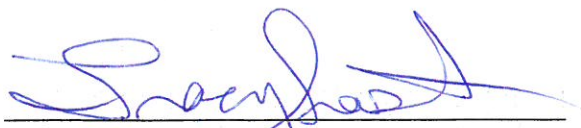
Mr. Lance made a motion to adopt Ordinance 1556-2016. Mrs. Coontz seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, and Mr. Lance voted "yes". Ordinance adopted.

New Business

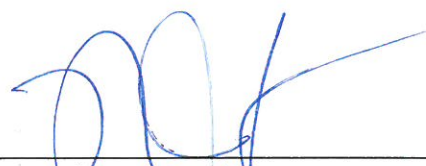
Mr. Lance made a motion to dispense with the three readings of Resolution 6639-2016. Mrs. Coontz seconded the motion. Roll call: Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, and Mr. Timko voted "yes".

Mayor Justice explained the lease of a new police cruiser was budgeted for the next five years. First Merit is guaranteeing the financing needed and allowing for a first lease payment to be made in 2017. The financing proposal must be approved and returned by Mary 7, 2016. This time limit does not allow for three reads of the legislation; so it must be passed by emergency. Mr. Lance makes a motion to adopt Resolution 6639-2016. Mr. Timko seconded the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, and Ms. Snyder voted "yes". Resolution adopted.

Motion for Adjournment was made by Mr. Cole and seconded by Mr. Lance. Roll call: Mrs. Coontz, Mr. Cole, Mr. Lance, Mr. Timko, Ms. Snyder, and Mrs. Cochran voted "yes". Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.



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