

**REGULAR SESSION OF
WAKEMAN VILLAGE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
January 9, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting opened with a prayer and pledge of allegiance at the time of 7:30pm

ROLL CALL

Council Members: Mike Delong, Nathan Summers, John Nolan, and Jacob Peters.

Nathan Summers made a motion to excuse Daniel Stober from tonight's 01/09/2023 Council Meeting. Mike Delong second.

Roll Call: 4Ayes

Nathan Summers made a motion to appoint Rachel Fuleki to the empty Council chair. John Nolan second.

Roll Call: 4 Ayes

ATTENDING

Mayor Chris Hipp, Village Administrator Trisha Summers, Fiscal Officer Jennifer Abahazi, Solicitor Steve Palmer, Rachel Fuleki, and Chief Tim Hunker

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Mike Delong moved to approve the December 12 ,2022 Regular meeting minutes. Nathan Summers second.

Roll Call: 4 Ayes

1 Abstain (Rachel Fuleki)

VISITORS

Greg Summers, Jan Tkach, Jacob Fuleki, Ruth Ann Emerick, and Darlene Krieger.

VISITOR REPORTS

Darlene Krieger

- o Came to Council asking what needs to be done to name the downtown Park "Wallace Park" Council is looking into next steps.
- o Discussed with Council about Wakeman and the Buckeye Trail. Shared ways she spreads the word on Wakeman being Buckeye Trail # 17. Shared with Council some news clips in a magazine suggested should be on the Marquee. Chris Hipp commented the signage is currently in the works.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Park and Rec. Committee – Reported by Jan Tkach

- o Next Park and Rec meeting is February 7th

Vermilion River Ambulance – Reported by Greg Summers

- Next meeting January 18th

Citizens Ambulance Board-Jacob Peters

- Next meeting is January 19th at 7:00pm.

Wakeman Fire District Board – Reported by John Nolan

- 13 calls; 9 in the District, 3 in Clarksfield, 1 mutual aid. 151 calls year-to-date.
- Working on purchasing a new tanker with a grant received.
- The Department is looking into purchasing a side by side for off road rescues.
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Police Committee Meeting -Mike Delong

- Met and discussed budget and staffing issues
- The new cruiser is still having mechanical issues.
- Discussed some building issues.
- Discussed possible traffic issues with the new businesses opening in town.
- Discussed some wish list items.

911/TAC Committee -Mike Delong

- Text to 911 is up and running
- Still working on computer programming for the radios
- Levy will be on the ballot November 2023 for a renewal.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Trish Summers

- 42 Permits year to date-2 Commercial Build, 1 Residential House,3 House Addition, 2 Garage addition, 3 patio, 8 signs, 7 shed, 5 Decks, 5 fence,1 storm tap, 1 porch and 4 pools.
- Signed purchase agreement for 0 Pleasant St. rear
- Applying for an EPA Equipment grant
- A new Commercial Build will be coming through SafeBuilt
- Held a CRA Meeting on December 19th.
- Holding a Work Session at the end of the month.
- January 26, 2023 at 6:00pm will be a Council Work Session.
- Put together a Village of Wakeman Year recap video to show Council, this will also be posted online.
- Catch Basin behind Mickey Mart will be repaired
- Us 20 Culvert project is still waiting on 2 catch basins to be completed
- AMI System is still waiting on a modem
- Franklin PS & Farmer St & Cooper St Waterline Projects have some progress
- Working on deep cleaning the Water Plant
- Working on Project/Wishlist for 2023

- Need to set a Council Work Session for 2022 Recap/ 2023 Outlook

POLICE CHIEF

Tim Hunker

- Held a Police Committee meeting and discussed staffing issues. Discussed ways to help schedule.
- Discussed staff shortage and Chief having overtime last year verses years prior.

SOLICITOR

Steve Palmer

- No reports.

FISCAL OFFICER

Jennifer Abahazi

- Fiscal Officer gave Annual Report. It was a very busy year for the Village, and got a lot of projects done with still staying in good financial standing. Getting wish lists together to start working on Permanent Appropriations.
- Received a Donation from Roger and Nancy Wallace in the amount of \$18,000 for Park & Rec

John Nolan made a motion to accept the Donation from Roger and Nancy Wallace in the amount of \$18,000 for Park & Rec. Mike Delong second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

COUNCIL

Jacob Peters

- Nothing tonight

Rachel Fuleki

- Nothing tonight.

Nathan Summers

- Nothing tonight.

John Nolan

- Excited for Rachel Fuleki joining Council but still sad to see Roger Wallace step down.
- Hoping that Huron County will help Villages supply the work force with the Eclipse that will be able to be seen here the best in 2024. This will draw large crowds, and this will increase the need for Police.
- John expressed his concern on needing to attract another anchor restaurant uptown, that will have decent hours.

Mike Delong

- Thank you to Roger Wallace for his years of service to the Village, he has been a huge asset.
- Welcome to Rachel joining Council.

Mayor

Chris Hipp

- Annual Report to Council. Last year coming off of Covid year, we never skipped a beat. So proud of the Village Employees, stepping up with losing two employees.
- Happy to see the auto read AMI water system up and running.
- Fire Convention was a huge success, and will now be history with Wakeman holding it two years back to back.
- We had a great Halloween turn out.
- The Community is very lucky to have the Wakeman Fire Department and Ember's for all they do for this Community.
- Thank You to everyone for the opportunity to be Mayor to this Village.
- Welcome to the new businesses in town.
- Looking forward to working with Rachel.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

2023 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPRE (RC 731.10)

John Nolan made a motion to nominate Mike Delong. Jacob Peters second.

Roll Call: 4 Ayes

1 Abstain (Mike Delong)

2023 COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIST

Mike Delong made a motion to approve the 2023 Committee List. John Nolan second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL RULES

Nathen Summers made a motion to accept Council Rules. Mike Delong second.

Roll Call: 4 Ayes

1 Abstain (Rachel Fuleki)

APPROVAL OF JANUARY'S ESTIMATED VOUCHERS

John Nolan moved to approve January's estimated vouchers. Jacob Peters second.

Roll Call: 4Ayes

1 Abstain (Rachel Fuleki)

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER'S BALANCE PACKET

Mike Delong moved to approve Decembers Balance Packet. Jacob Peters second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

1 Abstain (Rachel Fuleki)

APPROVAL OF 4TH QUARTER REPORT 2022

Mike Delong made a motion to approve the 4th Quarter Report. Nathan Summers second.

Roll Call: 4 Ayes

1 Abstain (Rachel Fuleki)

RESOLUTION NO.: 2023-R-1

A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO SELL MUNICIPALLY OWNED PERSONAL PROPERTY NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE, OR IS OBSOLETE OR UNFIT FOR THE USE FOR WHICH IT WAS ACQUIRED, BY INTERNET AUCTION DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2023 PURSUANT TO SECTION 721.15(D) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE(first reading)

John Nolan made a motion to approve first reading of Resolution No. 2023-R-1 Mike Delong second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R-2

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO COMPLETE CERTAIN INTRAFUND REALLOCATIONS BETWEEN LINE ITEMS WITHIN THE SAME FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

John Nolan made a motion to suspend. Jacob Peters second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

John Nolan made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-R-2. Mike Delong second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

RESOLUTION NO.: 2023-R-3

A RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL TO, AND AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (Ohio EPA), DIVISION OF DRINKING AND GROUND WATERS, EQUIPMENT GRANT FOR PUBLIC WATER EQUIPMENT, FOR VALVE EXERCISING, LEAK DETECTION, OR METER ACCURACY TESTING REIMBURSEMENT, AND MAKE USE OF FUNDING UNDER THE PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Jacob Peters made a motion to suspend. Nathan Summers second.

Roll Call: 5Ayes

Mike Delong made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-R-3. Nathan Summers second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

RESOLUTION NO: 2023-R-4

LEGAL COUNSEL FOR VILLAGE

RC 733.48

A RESOLUTION CONSIDERING IT NECESSARY TO PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE VILLAGE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN ATTORNEY-CLIENT REPRESENTATION AGREEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

John Nolan made a motion to suspend. Mike Delong second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

Mike Delong made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-R-23 Nathan Summers second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-O-01

TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION MEASURE2023

AN ORDINANCE POSTPONING THE **2023** ANNUAL APPROPRIATION MEASURE AND PROVIDING FOR **AN AMENDMENT TO ORD 2022-O-22** TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR MEETING ORDINARY EXPENSES AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 5705.38 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE

John Nolan made a motion to suspend. Mike Delong second.

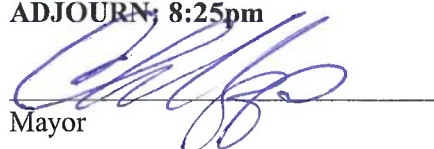
Roll Call: 5 Ayes

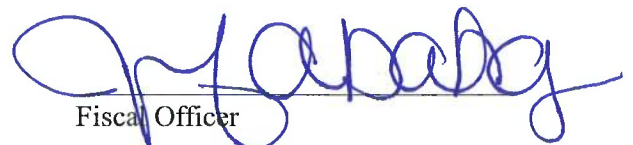
Mike Delong made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 2023-O-01**. Jacob Peters second.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes

EXECUTIVE SESSION RC 121.22(G)

ADJOURN: 8:25pm


Mayor


Fiscal Officer