

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

BARRETT BROTHERS - DAYTON, OHIO

Meeting

Form 6101

Held

## VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW COUNCIL MEETING

December 4, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

Mayor Ryan Shoffstall called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Deputy Praither

Guests:

Mel Rotroff

Ryan Shoffstall

Clayton Hooker

Sandra Knott

Heather Kegg

Samantha Sawmiller

Pat Parish

Dave Scott

Randy Kaehler

Norm Spring/Joe Ferryman

Terry Brentlinger

Connor Kinsey

Amby Wallace

Gary Bias

Minutes from the last meeting (November 20, 2023) stand as is.

Sandra Knott made a motion to pay the bills, Mel Rotroff seconded. Council approved unanimously.

Norm Spring told Council that he had spoken to Humble Construction, and found that their quote only covered grinding/tapering/and sealing the floor near the doors. Norm Spring told Council he will try to find more vendors to provide quotes.

Norm Spring told Council that they closed the year and to date they had 180 runs, 17 more than last year.

Norm Spring also presented Council with information on a new fire truck. Mayor Ryan Shoffstall noted that a small percentage income tax levy would be the best way to proceed if approved, and it would need to be on the ballot. Norm Spring asked that Council review the information provided, he will answer any questions and ask for their support and a vote in the future.

Deputy Praither told Council that the township has been busier than the Village over all. He also told Council that there had been a rise in crimes of opportunity on the east side of town. He wanted to remind everyone to lock their car doors, remove all valuables, and not to leave their keys in the ignition.

Gary Bias told Council that he had issued 2 permits since his last meeting. He also updated Council that he had met with Connor Kinsey for a final review on the annexation paperwork, and it should be moving to the next step. He also noted that the properties on Bentz and Market were still making progress on their cleanups, and he would continue to monitor them.

Dave Scott presented Council with a quote for the surveys needed for obtaining an easement for the smaller scale drainage project on W. Lake. He explained that this easement would only be for the tile, not utilities. Pat Parish asked if they had given him a timeframe for the work. Dave Scott replied that if approved, Kleinfelder planned to do the surveys in a few weeks when they would

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be working on another project in the area. Dave Scott then confirmed that this \$2000 quote is for 2 properties. The quote for the larger project was \$16000. Terry Brentlinger made a motion to approve the quote for surveys for 2 properties, Pat Parish seconded. Sandra Knott abstained, Mel Rotroff voted no, all other Council members voted yes. The motion passed.

Dave Scott told Council that he had received numerous complaints about issues with the parade. He said the Village must have more details before any similar events in the future. Mel Rotroff noted that there were no instructions for the end of the parade and parking, and that had blocked streets and caused confusion. Amby Wallace confirmed that the organizers had not turned in any of the required paperwork for the event (but insurance is on file). This must change if organizations want to have the Village involved in events in any capacity. Dave Scott told Council that he had gotten into a heated discussion with Brenda from the Business Association about the last-minute changes. Pat Parish confirmed that next year once a route is set and approved, it is FINAL. Amby Wallace added that if there is no paperwork, there will be no event.

Dave Scott informed Council that new Mayor for 2024 had contacted him requesting a decision on where her office would be located. He said that she didn't seem to want to use the old Sheriff's office. Amby Wallace said that she thought that would be the perfect space. Pat Parish added that it was currently the only available location. Amby Wallace added that she thought it would be good because it had a private entrance. The Mayor will also be able to hold any larger meetings in the attached breakroom, or in the Council chambers. Dave Scott said that he would check and see if any work needed done. He will look into a separate wall heater, nicer chairs and LED lighting, and we will get new signage to eliminate anyone's confusion.

Mayor Ryan Shoffstall asked Connor Kinsey if he had found any information regarding the firefighters' requests to be tax exempt. Connor Kinsey said that he didn't know of anything specifically on the legal side that would be an issue, but that he wasn't sure about income tax issues. Heather Kegg and Connor Kinsey had spoken and noted that it would be a lot easier, and get the firefighters more just to increase their pay. Mayor Ryan Shoffstall noted that even with an exemption, they'd still have to file taxes for the Village. Heather Kegg added that she had spoken with our tax administrator who was unsure, so she asked her mentor for advice. He had said that he thought there could be an ORC violation if we made the firefighters exempt. Connor Kinsey then added that depending on how our tax legislation was worded, we may have to rewrite it and put it on the ballot again. Mayor Ryan Shoffstall asked Heather Kegg to contact the Ohio Auditor to see if he had any information.

Sandra Knott told Council that she would email them all for help in judging the Christmas decorations in the Village once all entries were in.

Dave Scott asked Council if he could scrap the old lights from the west end of town. He said that they were planning on keeping all old lights that were compatible and could be used for parts, etc., but there were a number that were so old they could not be used for anything. Terry Brentlinger and Pat Parish suggested that we try to sell them on Gov Deals first. It was then brought up that these were pressure sodium lights and were unlikely to be usable for anyone. Pat Parish made a motion to scrap the old lights that could no longer be used, Randy Kaehler seconded. Council approved unanimously.

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Mayor Ryan Shoffstall asked Council to review and approve the indigent burial funds request. Pat Parish made a motion to approve the indigent burial funds request, Terry Brentlinger seconded. Council approved unanimously.

Mayor Ryan Shoffstall then provided the reading of the following Ordinance. He noted that he would like to pass the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading of Ordinance No: 2023-17 on emergency so it would go into effect in time for the beginning of the year.

ORDINANCE NO: 2023-17 – 3<sup>rd</sup>/FINAL READING

2024 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE, LAKEVIEW OHIO

Pat Parish made a motion to suspend the rules and allow Ordinance No: 2023-17 to be passed as an emergency, Amby Wallace seconded. Council approved unanimously.

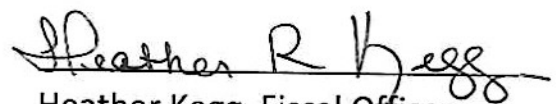
Sandra Knott made a motion to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup>/final reading of Ordinance No: 2023-17, Amby Wallace seconded. Council approved unanimously.

Mayor Ryan Shoffstall requested a motion to approve the contract for providing Stokes Township with fire services. Pat Parish made a motion to approve the Stokes Fire Services Agreement, Randy Kaehler seconded. Council approved unanimously.

Mel Rotroff made a motion to adjourn, Randy Kaehler seconded. Council approved unanimously.

The next Council Meeting will be **Monday**, December 18, 2023 at 6PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Heather Kegg, Fiscal Officer

  
Mayor Ryan Shoffstall