

Village of Wayne Lakes Council Meeting

June 15, 2026 7:00 PM

The mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, and Invocation.

Council members present: Mrs. Estes, Mrs. Jeffers, Ms. Hyatt, Mr. Weidner, Mrs. Berger

Absent: Ms. Price

June 15, 2026 meeting agenda with addition of Guest Speaker and Infraction Procedures for Identifying Ordinance infractions. SHyatt motioned to accept the agenda with the additions, seconded by REstes, all present voted yea. Approval of the May 16, 2026 meeting minute was made by IWeidner, seconded by BBerger, all present voted yea. Approval of Payment of Properly Appropriated and Funded Expenditures identified as from the June payment report Brumbaugh Construction retainer that was held released \$6,187.00, Fitzwater Outdoor Maint payment for downed tree from storm at Community Bldg \$1,200.00 and payment for fish/chemical as previously approved to Fin Farm LLC for \$13,968.00; upcoming expenditures include Treasurer State of Ohio \$6,263.20, OWDA Loan Payment \$67,498.43, and Solicitor \$3,275.00. Motion to approve payments was made by SHyatt, seconded by BBerger, all present voted yea.

Guest Speaker: Booster President, Sherry Spitler addressed council with updates for the Catfish Tournament to be held June 20th updates included donations being received. The donation for the lighting quote at the Community Bldg was presented to the Village.

Resolution/Ordinance

- **ORDINANCE 2026-03-16-001** (HOLD to define Public Parking times)
- **ORDINANCE 2026-05-18-002** An Ordinance Establishing Sanitary Sewer (WASTEWATER) System Regulations and User Charge System (BILL) Upon All Residential and Commercial Lots with a Dwelling/Structure in the Village of Wayne Lakes. Second reading by REstes.
- **RESOLUTION 2026-06-15-001** ESTABLISHING A BEACH CHANGE FUND FOR THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A Motion was made by SHyatt to waive the 3-reading rule, seconded by CJeffers, all present voted yea. BBerger made a motion to declare an emergency, seconded by IWeidner, all present voted yea. Motion to adopt was made by SHyatt and Seconded by IWeidner, all present voted yea.
- **RESOLUTION 2026-06-15-002** Adopting a Lifeguard Certification and Recertification Reimbursement Policy. Read by REstes, Resolution was declared to be an emergency due to have Lifeguards employed that certification and/or recertification; SHyatt asked for clarification on the cost and reimbursement payout. Village Administrator confirmed cost was between \$275 - \$300 with projected expenditure in 2026 of \$600.00. A Motion was made by SHyatt to waive the 3-reading rule, seconded by IWeidner, all present voted yea. SHyatt made a motion to declare an emergency, seconded by IWeidner, all present voted yea. Motion to adopt was made by SHyatt and Seconded by IWeidner, all present voted yea.
- **RESOLUTION 2026-06-15-003** AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES, OHIO TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND / OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY. A Motion was made by SHyatt to waive the 3-reading rule, seconded by CJeffers, all present voted yea. SHyatt made a motion to declare an emergency, seconded by IWeidner, all present voted yea. Motion to adopt was made by SHyatt and Seconded by IWeidner, all present voted yea.

Administrative Reports

- Mayor – Thank you's were extended to Hans and Dave for the wonder work with resolving the exterior maintenance infraction which resulted in the cost to contractor of \$1,500.00; Dave for his weekend work to repair vandalized trees which were ran over and help to find out who is doing the vandalism; Groundscrew for the brush removal at Hickory looks great, looking for any interest parties to form a committee to look for funding to rebuild the covered bridge that was once at the location; and Johna for her support and hours with the auditors, due to the federal funding the Village received the audit went from the 2-year to 1 year. Infractions update: Lakeview is taking care of infractions, 3668 S Creek deceased owner not estate, infraction is now with the Occupant. Mayor asked for Council to approve contacting Solicitor to secure letter giving 5-days and if not corrected then Hans/Dave will determine scope and contact contractor to resolve the infraction. Occupant was served 30 days ago, infraction included Exterior Maintenance and Zoning section 620 living in temporary trailer. Motion by BBerger to move forward on 3668 S Creek Dr as explained by

Mayor, seconded by IWeidner all present voted yea. Mayor mentioned 4 mowing letters have been sent certified mail

- Village Administrator mentioned open cases with one being closed, budget only allows for so much per year.
- Public: Rita Neff asked if results are being seen from the letters being sent, Mayor responded all but one from the 1st round had been mowed.
- Council member SHyatt asked for list of Infractions to be shared with council.
- Village Administrator Report- Darke County Parks Manager accepted grant application, meet at sight, several persons to represent the Village were present; Grant is for new ADA playground equipment at North Park. There is over \$110k in applications but only \$75K available in grant funds. Committee chairs are requested to get with VA for budget discussion as it is due soon.
 - Booster President gave check for donation for the community building light project in the amount of \$1,250.00 to Village Administrator.
- Fiscal Officer Report
 - Doss Business Service Level Agreement Renewal 05312026 – 05312027, renewal would be for the 6-village laptops for a total of \$240.00. Motion by BBerger and seconded by CJefferes, all present voted yea.
 - SHyatt mentioned Doss monthly visit be the 16th and requested they see Community Bldg Manager for laptop support.
 - May Bank Reconciliation and Financial reports presented as provided via email to Council. Motion by BBerger to approve, seconded by SHyatt, all present voted yea.
 - Council previously approved \$300.00 for the purchase of a trolling motor on March 16,2026. The purchase was completed on March 23,2026 for \$323.75, resulting in an overage of \$23.75. The overage occurred due to a price change from the initial asked price. I am requesting retroactive approval for the full amount of \$323.75 so the expenditure can be properly authorized and paid. Motion made by SHyatt to retroactively approve the expenditure of \$323.75 for the trolling motor purchased March 23, 2026, correcting the previously authorized amount of \$300.00; seconded by BBerger, all present voted yea.

Committee Reports

- Lakes (Weidner) – Fish and chemicals delivered. Catfish in Iroquois. Dave closing lake on Wednesday till Saturday and will dye the lake blue. Lake treating/retreating: Seneca, Shawnee, and Kickapoo.
- Parks/Recreation (Jefferes) – 4th of July Celebration flyer will be out soon. Looking forward to 2027 introduce a celebration weekend to Wayne Lakes anyone interested in helping is encouraged to attend the committee meetings.
- Sewer (Estes) – no meeting held. Rescue meeting was held Tri-Village Rescue launched their website, they are working on patient portal, billed \$5k to Eldora for services, 28 calls with 5 refusals and 5 from Wayne Lakes.
- Finance/Compliance (Hyatt) – Wednesday June 24 @ 6pm will be the Finance meeting to review the budget, grant funds in budget, everyone interested is encouraged to attend. Personnel, Policy Compliance meeting will be held the following month.
- Maintenance (Berger) – Ponton to be in water within the next 1- 2 weeks, reclaiming overgrown dam areas to assist with repair.
- Trees (Price) – no report.
- 5-year Community Planning –Village Administrator deferred to new business for update.
- Family Activities – Patsy Livingston, 3529 N Creek Dr, Ice Cream Social to be held July 18, Saturday 4pm – 6pm, at the Beach this is the third year of the event; Profits from the social will be donated to Tri-Village Rescue Services. Everyone is invited to come out. Praise in the park went well this last Sunday.

Mayor recommended adding Boosters to the monthly agenda as a committee for updates as needed.

Unfinished Business

- Security Cameras (Village Administrator) – self installation is ongoing with the support of George Mitterman. Purchasing by location continues based on prior approved pricing.
 - a. Village Administrator asked council for approval to allocate \$750 of the prior approved pricing for trail cameras to be placed throughout the village due to recent vandalism; the cameras would pick up motion and send notification to the defined Cell #. To prevent the cameras from being stolen they would be put up high and in places not seen. Motion by SHyatt to reallocation funds from the previously approved security budget for cameras, seconded by IWeidner all present voted yea.
- ADA Website Compliance (GMitterman) – Alternate text was added to 643 pictures on website, he confirmed with Greenville alternate text was what was needed to be added. Mayor advised to check surrounding Village sites for the ADA verbiage appearing on their website for consideration. Mayor also noted compliance date had been moved into 2027.
- Speedbump's installation – remaining in committee. Tabled to July Council meeting.
- Beach Propane Tank – DCampbell confirmed the propane at the beach is used for the hot water heater. Maintenance committee recommended to purchase the existing propane tank from Keystone Co-op with the 40% propane in the tank for the amount of \$600.00. Keystone will issue a certificate of ownership. Motion by SHyatt to purchase the tank for the amount of \$600.00, seconded by REstes, all present voted yea.
- Community Building Lighting Estimate – Booster President gave check for donation for the community building light project in the amount of \$1,250.00 to Village Administrator. DCampbell will schedule with contractor to get lights upgraded.

New Business

- Mud Creek Dam Repair –Village Administrator informed council that after an inspection of the dam it was determined that the wing wall needs repaired and will fail, pending quote anticipating it to be between \$8K - \$10k and to be support within the budgeted allocation of \$80k (to be used to cover both Mud Creek and Hickory paving projects).
- Hickory Paving Quotes from Wagner and Walls Brothers – Village Administrator shared the scope of work for the road repair on Hickory Drive and Hickory Lane this project is part of the 5-year plan, quotes were secured from Wagner Paving for \$60,299.25 and Walls Brothers for \$64,930.00. Village Administrator advised \$80k had been budgeted in the Street Fund. Motion was made by CJeffers to accept the Wagner Paving quote for \$60,299.25, seconded by IWeidner all present voted yea.
 - a. Village administrator noted that there was a quote pending for the paving of McClure drive to allow for all of Hickory Dr/Lane area to be completely repaved, he anticipated the estimate would be about \$10k and support within the budgeted allocation of \$80k.
- Completion of Hornbacker Exterior Maintenance summary judgement at \$1,500.00, Fiscal Officer to send invoice to Property Owner for reimbursement. This infraction violation was completed based on court ruling.
- Infraction Procedures for Identifying Ordinance Infractions and Reporting tabled until July's meeting to allow Council to review.

Executive Session: ORC 121.22 (G) to consider appointment/employment and compensation of public employees. Motion by SHyatt seconded by CJeffers to leave general session and enter Executive Session, all present voted yea. Council returned at 8:22pm with motion by SHyatt to return to general session seconded by IWeidner all present voted yea.

Motion was made by SHyatt and seconded by CJeffers to hire Jeffrey Boltin Lifeguard/Grounds keeper, summer help contingent on completion of pre-employment requirements for \$15.00 per hour, all present voted yea.

Announcements: none

Late request to New Business: DCampbell asked council to approval to have cottonwood at Imler Dr removed at a cost of \$900 by Greg Spurier. Motion was made by SHyatt, seconded by IWeidner all present voted yea. Further discussion on removing cut wood from the resident at Shawnee Property, Mayor advised maintenance would remove the cut wood from the property, BBerger will help to clear the wood, no cost associated with removal of the wood from Shawnee Property.

Being no further business, a motion was made by SHyatt and seconded by IWeidner to adjourn the meeting, all present vote yea.