

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 30043

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ORDINANCE NO: 2026-16

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Bellefontaine Examiner permanently closed on December 13th, 2025; and

WHEREAS, there is not a current newspaper of general circulation in print which meets the requirements of the Ohio Revised Code, including Ohio Revised Code Section 7.12, based in Logan County which is readily available and widely distributed throughout the Village of Lakeview; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code provides for alternate methods of notification, publication, and advertisement, specifically, but not restricted to, those methods contained in Ohio Revised Code Section 731.21, Ohio Revised Code Section 125.182, and Ohio Revised Code Section 731.25; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lakeview, Ohio seeks to amend its Ordinances to provide for alternative methods of notification consistent with Ohio law; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems this Ordinance to be an emergency measure for the reason that, due to the closure of the Bellefontaine Examiner while alternative methods of service are reviewed, to provide notice to the public as required by law, and to further the need for implementation is acknowledged a as a public requirement in order to safeguard the health, safety, and security of the Village and the public;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO, AT LEAST A MAJORITY THEROF CONCURRING THAT:

Section 1. The following Sections of the Ordinances of the Village of Lakeview are hereby amended as follows:

Section 1047 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ~~IN-NEWSPAPER~~. Before holding the public hearing required in Section 1046, notice of such hearing shall be given ~~in one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the Village~~ on the Village’s website, and/or posted in a public building, or as otherwise authorized by law, at least ten (10) days before the date of said hearing. The notice shall set forth the time and place of the public hearing, and the nature of the proposed appeal or variance.

Section 1048 NOTICE TO PARTIES OF INTEREST. Before holding the public hearing required in Section 1046, written notice of such hearing shall be mailed by the Chairperson of the Board of Zoning Appeals, by first class mail, at least ten (10) days before the day of the hearing to all parties of interest. The notice shall contain the same information as required of notices published on the Village’s website, and/or posted in a public building, or as otherwise authorized by law ~~in newspapers~~; as specified in Section 1047. Parties of interest shall include, but not be limited to, property owners contiguous to and directly across the road (street) from the parcel(s) in question.

Section 1207 PUBLIC HEARING BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. If in the opinion of the majority of the Planning Commission the proposed amendment requires a public hearing by the Planning Commission, the hearing will be scheduled at the next regular meeting date of the Planning Commission, but not later than thirty (30) days after receipts of the proposed amendment.

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Section 1208 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING . Notice of the public hearing required in Section 1207 shall be given by the Planning Commission by at least one (1) publication in one of the following ways on the Village's website, and/or posted in a public building, or as otherwise authorized by law ~~(1) or more newspapers of general circulation in the Township~~. Said notice shall be published at least ten (10) days before the date of the required hearing.

Section 1209 NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. If the proposed amendment intends to rezone or redistrict ten (10) or less parcels of land, as listed in the tax duplicates, written notice of the hearing shall be mailed by the Chairperson of the Planning Commission, by first class mail, at least ten (10) days prior to the day of the public hearing to all owners of property within, contiguous to and directly across the street from the area proposed to be rezoned or redistricted to the address of such owners appearing on the County Auditor's current tax list or the County Treasurer's mailing list and to such other lists that may be specified by the Village Council.

Section 1211 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING IN NEWSPAPER. Notice of the public hearing required in Section 1210 shall be given by Village Council by at least one (1) publication ~~in one (1) or more newspapers of general circulation in the Village~~ on the Village's website, and/or posted in a public building, or as otherwise authorized by law,. Said notice shall be published at least thirty (30) days before the date of the required hearing. The published notice shall set forth the time and place of the public hearing and a summary of the proposed amendment.

Section 1212 NOTICE OF PROPERTY OWNERS BY VILLAGE COUNCIL. If the proposed amendment intends to rezone or redistrict ten (10) or less parcels of land, as listed on the tax duplicate, written notice of the hearing shall be mailed by the Clerk of Council, by first class mail, at least twenty (20) days before the day of the public hearing to all owners of property within, contiguous to and directly across the street from such area proposed to be rezoned or redistricted to address of such owners appearing on the County Auditor's current tax list or the County Treasurer's mailing list and to such other list or lists that may be specified by Village Council. The failure to deliver the notification, as provided in this section shall not invalidate any such amendment. The notice shall contain the same information as required of notices ~~published in newspapers as specified in Section 1211~~.

Section 2. That if a question arises regarding the sufficiency of notice or the means and methods thereof, then the Village Administrator shall make the determination after consultation with the Village Solicitor.

Section 3. That in all other cases or references in the Ordinances of the Village of Lakeview that make reference to publication in a newspaper of general circulation, that they shall be interpreted to mean:

given on the Village's website, and/or posted in a public building, or as otherwise authorized by law

Section 4. That all publications or notices provided by virtue of this Ordinance shall be accomplished by and comply with the requirements of Ohio law as to the specific action, placement, or other requirement necessary on a case-by-case basis dependent upon subject matter.

Section 5. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in this formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all

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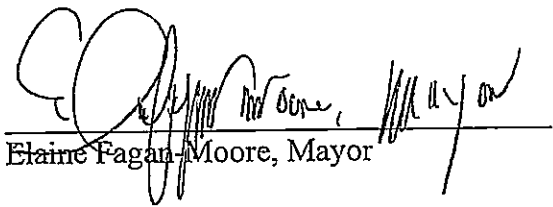
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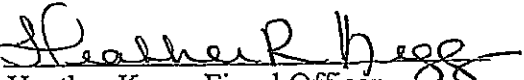
legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, and the Rules of Council.

Section 6: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety in the Village of Lakeview, for the reason that the Village is legally obligated to provide public notice in a way that complies with Ohio law and which is calculated to provide notice to the public of the subject matter thereof, which is necessary to protect the health, safety, and well-being of the Village and its inhabitants, this Ordinance shall be in effect if it receives two thirds vote of all members of Village Council on the earliest date allowed by law.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed in Council this 3rd day of August, 2026.


Elaine Fagan-Moore, Mayor

Attest: 
Heather Kegg, Fiscal Officer