

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-16

**AN ORDINANCE
ENGAGING MICHAEL C. LUCAS, OF WILES | RICHARDS
ATTORNEYS AT LAW AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE
VILLAGE OF WAITE HILL, AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Law Director has advised the Mayor and Council that his firm has a conflict of interest in the representation of the Village in a matter involving a Village property owner (who is a client of another attorney in the law director’s firm) who will be seeking a variance from the Village’s Board of Zoning Appeals; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has the power to appoint, subject to Council’s confirmation, special counsel to provide legal services on behalf of the Village of Waite Hill; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that it is necessary to engage special counsel to represent the Village in the matter that is the subject of the conflict noted above; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council find and determine that Mr. Michael C. Lucas of Wiles | Richards Attorneys at Law is an appropriate person to provide independent special counsel services to the Village in the matter noted above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF WAITE HILL, LAKE COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into an agreement with Michael C. Lucas of Wiles | Richards Attorneys at Law (“Special Counsel”) as special counsel to the Village, to represent the Village. The agreement shall be substantially in the form appended hereto as “Exhibit A,” but the Mayor may amend the agreement in any manner consistent with the best interests of the Village. A signed copy of said agreement shall be placed on file with this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That this Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure in that the same provides for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Village of Waite Hill and, further, provides for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; wherefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____, 2015

Council President

Submitted to the Mayor for
his approval on this
_____ day of _____, 2015

Approved by the Mayor

_____, 2015

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor