

MINUTES OF MEETING
February 12, 2019
VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK COUNCIL
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

Council met on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Terrace Park Community Building. Mayor Tepe led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for Deputy Bill Brewer, killed in the line of duty. Members of Council present were Mr. John Gaskey, Ms. Judith Lehman , Mr. Pax Lindell, Ms. Regina Sharp, Mr. Jeff LeMay, and Ms. Lauren Ingebritson. In addition, Mayor Tom Tepe, Solicitor Jeff Forbes, Village Administrator Gerald Hayhow, Fire Chief Steve Dronsfield, EMS Chief John Maggard, Clerk of Council Hester Sullivan, and Chief Fiscal Officer Katie Lyons were present.

The Mayor asked if anyone had any corrections, additions or deletions to the January Minutes. Council Member Sharp motioned to approve Council Minutes from the January 9, 2019 Council meeting. Voice vote, all voted aye. Minutes approved.

RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

The Mayor asked if there were any residents to address council. Seeing none he moved on.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The mayor was sad to report that long-time council member Lee Cole died recently.

The mayor recognized all the firefighters, EMS and police who helped with the fire on Myrtle Ave. This is a stark reminder that a devastating fire can happen anywhere. He also asked that everyone be mindful that this incident was a personal tragedy to that family. Thankful no one was injured. The Village would like to help the family in any way possible.

CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER: No report.

SOLICITOR: No report.

CLERK OF COUNCIL: Our app for IOS is currently under review by Apple. It is quite a process to be added to the Apple App Store. We are live on Google Play.

EMS CHIEF: Our 7 EMS recruits are doing fine!

FIRE CHIEF: On January 31 there was a devastating fire on Myrtle Ave. There were five different departments involved and zero injuries despite terrible conditions. Chief Dronsfield thanked Milford, Indian Hill/Madiera, Mariemont and Anderson for their participation. He also thanked our own department. He confirmed it was started as a chimney fire and urged all residents to have their chimneys cleaned and inspected.

POLICE CHIEF/VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Special thanks to Dave and the Maintenance guys who got everything salted.

We have inspected 10 golf carts to date. Everyone needs to get inspected, call or email the Chief with questions or to set up your inspection date.

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OUTSIDE THEIR COMMITTEE: none

PLANNING & ZONING: Council Member Sharp noted there will be a Planning Commission Public Hearing on March 12 at 7:15. We are making some minor zoning text and map changes, and clarifying ZBA guidelines for 2 corner lots. Council will hold a subsequent Public Hearing on April 9 at 7:15.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS: Council Member Ingebritson reported on the Building and Grounds Committee meeting held on January 30. There are over 3500 trees on Village property. 700 Maples were planted in the 50s when several streets were expanded. Maples grow quickly but have a very short lifespan. We will need to eventually remove and replace all 700 of them. Our Village Arborist requested additional funding for removal, grinding and replacement of these trees for the foreseeable future. (If we take 50 of these trees per year, it will take us 14 years to remove and replace them all.) The committee recommended moving \$20,000 from Streets to Building & Grounds to address this year's need. We do not need to black mat any streets this year, so we can use that money for this. The committee recommended this be done ASAP so that we can take advantage of the Winter Discount Rate. The committee will meet further over the next several months to address issues of future funding. Council Member LeMay asked to be included in any future meetings.

FINANCE: Council Member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 2-1, 2019 AUTHORIZING CONTINUING INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK UNDER THE OHIO GOVERNMENT RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PREMIUM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,703.00.** This represents a 2 ½% reduction – thanks to the great jobs Jerry, John and Steve do in managing our risk. Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt this resolution as an emergency. Ingebritson seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

Council Member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 2-2, 2019 REQUESTING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO MAKE TAX ADVANCES DURING THE YEAR 2019 PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE, SECTION 321.34** Katie asks the county to give us our money earlier. Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt this resolution as an emergency. Lehman seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

Council Member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 2-3, 2019 TO EMPOWER THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER TO REVISE THE 2018 APPROPRIATION BUDGET.** We are moving the aforementioned money from Streets to Parks. Gaskey seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye.

LeMay then moved to adopt this resolution as an emergency. Lehman seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

Council Member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 2-4, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A KUBOTA ZD1211-60 ZERO TURN MOWER AT A PRICE OF \$11,148.94.** Our current lawnmower is 15 years old. We will get some trade in for it. Does not increase the budget. Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt this resolution as an emergency. Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

RULES & LAW: No report

PUBLIC WORKS: We are able to move money from streets to trees because of our excellent preventative maintenance program.. We will not do any black matt this year and will move that money to take care of tree needs.

Council Member Lindell introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 2-5, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH JAMISON CONSTRUCTION SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR THE WINDING BROOK LANE CREEK RESTORATION PROJECT AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$23,160 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** This is to repair damage to the culvert and baskets back in August, which are causing erosion. Also fixing some storm water drains as well. Gaskey seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Lindell then moved to adopt this resolution as an emergency. Ingebritson seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

PUBLIC SAFETY: No report.

CONTINUED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

LeMay moved to go into Executive Session to discuss employment of a public employee. Lindell seconded. Roll Call – Gaskey, Lindell, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. After the discussion the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Hester Old Sullivan
Clerk of Council

Thomas M. Tepe, Jr.
Mayor