

MINUTES OF MEETING
September 11, 2018
VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK COUNCIL
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

Council met on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the Terrace Park Community Building. Mayor Tepe led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance, after which he asked for a moment of silence in commemoration of the lives lost 17 years ago. Members of Council present were Mr. John Gaskey, Mr. Pax Lindell, Ms. Regina Sharp, Mr. Jeff LeMay, Ms. Lauren Ingebritson, and Ms. Judith Lehman. In addition, Mayor Tom Tepe, EMS Chief John Maggard, Fire Chief Luke Frey, and Chief Fiscal Officer Katie Lyons were in attendance. Clerk of Council Hester Sullivan and Solicitor Jeff Forbes, were absent

The Mayor asked if anyone had any corrections, additions or deletions to the August Minutes. Council Member Gaskey motioned to approve Council Minutes from the August 14, 2018 Council meeting. Voice vote, all voted aye. Minutes approved.

RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL: Larry Creighton of 108 Fieldstone stepped to the mic. He has lived there for 35 years. He started by thanking Council Members for their work. He said that there was major flooding on Fieldstone and Winding Brook Friday 4 weeks ago, further stating that the flooding in 2001 was minor by comparison. While this is a huge financial issue, area homeowners are more concerned about the potential for loss of life. Recently the water rose 17 inches in 10 minutes. Wants to know what the Village is going to do about it and what the citizens of the Village can do to help? He had three suggestions as a start. 1) Fix the stone cages 2) dredge the creek 3) remove a set of fallen stone stairs. The Mayor replied that the stone cages will be repaired. Since creeks are private property the Village cannot dredge the creek. The mayor asked that people not put things like lawn clippings, limbs etc. in the creek. Creighton reported that Indian Hill is clear cutting trees and leaving them in the creek. The mayor and city administrator reported that they are working with Indian Hill to make some changes as to the volume of water that flows down from there. City administrator is also working with the Hamilton County Storm Water District to come up with some information and education for people who live along these streams.

The Mayor asked Council Member Gaskey if he would like to be advanced in the agenda. Two new firefighters were sworn in: Justin Arnold & Nick Buscemi. The appropriate resolutions for their appointment will be voted on next month.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor started by thanking everyone involved in the Labor Day Activities – they were awesome! Thank you to the police and all those who staffed or participated in the Bulldog Run, Parade, Garage Sale and Festival. This was our 75th Labor Day Festival and he was honored to recognize that date along with

Senator Portman. We received a flag that flew over the Capitol building which we will fly with pride.

A special thanks to Chief Hayhow for his help at a Fundraiser held at the Lindells' by closing Elm. It paid huge dividends for a very appreciate family.

The Mayor noted that a huge number of people are affected by suicide. Not six months ago our Council and EMS were directly affected. Therefore, he gave a proclamation that September is National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month.

October 17 will be our New Residents' Open House at 7p.m. in the Community Building. Come one come all!

CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER: No report.

SOLICITOR: No report.

CLERK OF COUNCIL: No report.

EMS CHIEF: August was a fairly quiet month. It looks like we will have enough people to have a daytime class this year starting in January.

FIRE CHIEF: Chief Frey thanked the Milford Chief and their Department for holding a 9/11 memorial this morning. Chief Frey also announced that he is moving and that 11/15 will be his last day as Chief. Everyone thanked him for his years of service and noted his are big shoes to fill.

POLICE CHIEF/VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Recently some cars were gone through and a garage was entered. These are crimes of opportunity. Please lock your doors—both car and garage!

Creeks and flooding are an ongoing concern that we are working on, especially as we get more and more rain.

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OUTSIDE THEIR COMMITTEE: none

PLANNING & ZONING: There will be a Planning Commission Meeting on October 16th to discuss: 1) An amendment to the Zoning Code Map changing the Village Green to RI and the Log Cabin and Maintenance to PF and 2) An amendment for a text change to the Terrace Park Zoning Code District Designations, Water Runoff, Definitions, and Other Potential Revisions.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS: Council Member Ingebritson introduced and advanced to the third reading: **ORDINANCE 9-1, 2018 DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF AND PROVIDING FOR CONTROLLING THE BLIGHT AND DISEASE OF SHADE TREES WITHIN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND FOR PLANTING, MAINTAINING, TRIMMING AND REMOVING SHADE TREES IN AND ALONG THE STREETS OF TERRACE PARK WHICH INCLUDES ALL TERRITORY WITHIN AND COEXTENSIVE WITH ITS BOUNDARIES, FOR THE YEAR 2019, AUTHORIZING THE OFFICERS OF TERRACE PARK TO DO SUCH WORK FOR THE YEAR 2019, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVYING OF AN ASSESSMENT UPON REAL PROPERTY IN TERRACE PARK FOR THE COST AND EXPENSE OF SUCH WORK** Gaskey seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, LeMay, Lehman, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ingebritson then moved to adopt the resolution. Lehman seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, LeMay, Lehman, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ingebritson then moved to treat the resolution as an emergency. Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ordinance passed and treated as an emergency.

FINANCE: Council Member LeMay introduced **RESOLUTION 9-1, 2018 To empower the Chief Fiscal Officer to Revise the 2018 Appropriation Budget** Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, LeMay, Lehman, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt this resolution. Lehman seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, LeMay, Lehman, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to treat the resolution as an emergency. Gaskey seconded. Gaskey, Lindell, LeMay, Lehman, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed and treated as an emergency.

At the Labor Day parade we continued our efforts to educate the community about the TP Levy (it won't raise your taxes!). Thanks to Pax for driving and Wyatt for making the sign and the Mayor for participating as well. We will continue our efforts to educate the community on this important issue.

RULES & LAW: No report.

PUBLIC WORKS: No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY: No report.

CONTINUED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

Council Member LeMay motioned to go to Executive Session for the appointment of a public official. Lindell seconded Gaskey, LeMay, Lindell, Lehman, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. At the conclusion of the Executive Session the Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

**Hester Old Sullivan
Clerk of Council**

**Thomas M. Tepe, Jr.
Mayor**