

MINUTES OF MEETING
June 8, 2021
VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK COUNCIL
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

Council met on Tuesday June 8, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. in the Terrace Park Community Building. Mayor Tepe led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members of Council present were Mr. John Gaskey, Ms. Judith Lehman, Ms. Lauren Ingebritson, Mr. Jeff LeMay, Mr. Pax Lindell and Ms. Regina Sharp. In addition, Mayor Tom Tepe, Village Administrator and Police Chief Gerald Hayhow, EMS Chief John Maggard, Fire Chief Steve Dronsfield, Solicitor Jeff Forbes, Chief Fiscal Officer and Clerk of Council, Katie Lyons. The Mayor asked if anyone had any corrections, additions or deletions to the May 12, 2021 Minutes. Council Member Lehman motioned to approve the Council Minutes from the May 12, 2021 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: Mayor Tepe had three items to note:

1. Mayor Tepe began by thanking residents Mark Holcomb, Jack Smith and Ray Normille for a great Memorial Day event and to essay winner was Elle Seichter, and she was outstanding. We will be back to normal for Labor Day, we will have a parade. Terrace Park Recreation Committee needs your support.
2. Congratulations to all the Mariemont High School Graduates.
3. Congratulations to the women's and men's State Championship Lacrosse Teams. There will be a more proper recognition of the Lacrosse teams at a future meeting.

Chief Fiscal Officer: No Report.

Solicitor: Jeff Forbes explained the law that allowed video conference public meetings expires on July 1, 2021. However, there is a bill that was just introduced, that would allow video conference public meetings to go on indefinitely.

Clerk of Council: No Report.

EMS CHIEF: No Report.

FIRE CHIEF: No Report.

POLICE CHIEF/VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Chief Hayhow explained that the black mat road sealing and sidewalk replacement programs are now complete for this year. For the most part everything went well, including the weather. He did however, get one complaint.

He went on to explain that he is still waiting to hear from the Hamilton County Budget office on whether we were awarded the Municipal Road Funds for the Elm Avenue (Park Rd. to Wooster) repairs. Please keep in mind the last time we received the MRF funding we were not notified until mid-July.

Lastly, tomorrow he has a meeting with our plumbing contractor for the installation of the drinking fountain at the log cabin. The fountain was purchased last year and will be installed using the remainder of our Cares Act Fund monies.

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OUTSIDE THEIR COMMITTEE: None

Reports, Resolutions & Ordinances of Standing Committee: None

Planning & Zoning – No Report.

Buildings & Grounds – Council Member Sharp stated if we are having a Labor Day Festival, she will reach out to the Friends of Terrace Park to see if they want to have the dedication of the clock at that time.

Finance – Council Member Lemay explained that there is a projected 2% increase in revenue with .5% increase in expenses. This allows us to maintain the village, compensate valued employees, while allowing for necessary improvements and capital purchases. He stated we will have a public hearing before the next council meeting for which we will need quorum. Tonight is the first reading of this resolution.

Council Member LeMay introduced **RESOLUTION 6-1, 2021 APPROVING THE 2022 ANNUAL TAX BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK**

The second resolution is appropriating the funds that we had not spent from our Cares Act Fund. He noted they had changed the expense due date from 12/31/20 to 12/31/21, therefore allowing us this opportunity.

Council Member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 6-2, 2021 TO EMPOWER THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER TO REVISE THE 2021 APPROPRIATION BUDGET**

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

We have finalized a date to meet with Frost, Brown and Todd to investigate laws with sewer and septic. The meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2021 at 4pm.

Rules & Law – No Report.

Public Works- Council Member Lindell explained that this Ordinance allows for snow removal and line painting of route 50. Our stretch of Wooster Pike is supposed to go out to bid in 2022 to be repaved, with construction in 2023.

Council Member Lindell introduced and advanced to the third reading **ORDINANCE NO. 6-1, APPROVAL AND GRANTING CONSENT TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY TO, APPLY, MAINTAIN AND REPAIR STANDARD LONGITUDINAL PAVEMENT MARKINGS AND ERECT REGULATORY AND WARNING SIGNS ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE VILLAGE CORPORATE LIMITS, AND**

GIVING CONSENT OF THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK FOR THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO REMOVE SNOW AND ICE AND USE SNOW AND ICE

CONTROL MATERIAL ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE THE VILLAGE CORPORATE LIMITS, AND

GIVING CONSENT OF THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK FOR THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PERFORM MAINTENANCE AND/OR REPAIR ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE THE VILLAGE CORPORATION. Lehman seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Ingebritson seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. Ordinance passed as an emergency.

Lindell followed up that the sidewalks look great and everything was cleaned up nicely.

Public Safety – Council Member Ingebritson is happy to report we have another member for our Volunteer EMS.

Council Member Ingebritson introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 6-3, 2021 CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF MEGAN R. KROMER TO THE VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK** Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Gaskey seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

Mayor Tepe will swear her in at a later date.

CONTINUED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

Adjournment: Council Member Sharp motioned to adjourn. Voice Vote all voted “aye.”

Respectfully submitted:

Katherine Lyons
Clerk of Council

Thomas M. Tepe, Jr.
Mayor