

MINUTES OF MEETING
October 11, 2022
VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK COUNCIL
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

Council met on Tuesday October 11, 2022 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. Pax Lindell, Mr. Jeff LeMay, Mr. John Gaskey, Ms. Regina Sharp, Ms. Judith Lehman and Ms. Lauren Ingebritson. In addition, Mayor Tom Tepe, Village Administrator and Police Chief Gerald Hayhow, Chief Fiscal Officer and Clerk of Council, Katie Lyons, EMS Chief John Maggard, Fire Chief Steve Dronsfield, and Solicitor Jeff Forbes.

The Mayor asked if anyone had any corrections, additions or deletions to the September 12, 2022 Minutes. Council Member Gaskey motioned to approve the Council Minutes from the September 12, 2022 Council Meeting. Voice vote, all voted, aye. Minutes approved.

RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL The Mayor asked if there were any residents to address council, to please approach the podium, state their name and their address.

Bruce Long of 810 Lexington Avenue approached the podium:

- Requested reconsideration of the closing of the parking area at Environmental Services.
- Stated that he would like the facility to be still available to residents for non-motorized vehicles ie, canoes, kayaks, trailers. That will allow him to keep his 4x6 trailer.

Mayor Tepe thanked Mr. Long for his concerns.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Tepe announced that we are hoping to do a New Resident open house soon, with Representatives of the Clubs in the village.

Chief Fiscal Officer: Katie Lyons-No Report.

Solicitor: Jeff Forbes-No Report.

Clerk of Council: Katie Lyons –No Report.

EMS CHIEF: John Maggard Pancake Supper November 13 at St. Thomas. This is a major Fire and EMS Fundraiser. The next EMS class will begin in January, two nights a week. We currently have 3 people signed up for this class. Our EMS squad is short staffed at the moment and could really use some more volunteers.

FIRE CHIEF: Chief Dronsfield reported that we have 4 new fire fighter recruits and they should be done in December.

POLICE CHIEF/VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Hayhow updated everyone on the following:

- I received the engineers' drawings on the Elm Road water main and the estimated cost of the project. The engineers anticipate construction costs will be approximately \$440,700.00.

Mayor Tepe explained, completing this water "loop" is purely a safety issue. The Public Works Committee Meeting will call a meeting to continue the discussion.

- I reviewed the plans from ODOT on the Wooster Pike repaving project and had nothing to add. They anticipate receiving the bids this May and weather permitting, construction beginning in the spring of 24.
- Leaf pickup will begin the week of October 17th. While leaf pick up is light, I anticipate we will still be able to pick up brush, but on a limited basis.

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OUTSIDE THEIR COMMITTEE: None

Reports, Resolutions & Ordinances of Standing Committee: None

Planning & Zoning – John Gaskey no report.

Finance –Jeff LeMay-No Report.

Mr. LeMay explained that this first revision has to do with moving \$6000 from the Auditing Funds to the Health Reimbursement budget. When the budget was created we were unaware that we were going to have an AUP rather than a full blown Audit. The AUP cost half as much. The budget for the Healthcare reimbursement is very hard to gage as the individuals costs and health vary.

Council member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 10-1, 2022 TO EMPOWER THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER TO REVISE THE 2022 APPROPRIATION BUDGET** Lehman seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lehman, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Lindell seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lindell, Lehman and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

Mr. Lemay then explained the next revision is an increase to the appropriation to the Tree Budget.

Council member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 10-2, 2022 TO EMPOWER THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER TO REVISE THE 2022 APPROPRIATION BUDGET** Gaskey seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lehman, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Ingebritson seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lindell, Lehman and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

Mr. LeMay explained that the he reviewed the amounts and rates and everything matches the budgeted amounts.

Council member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **Resolution 10-3 ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET**

COMMISSION & AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR Gaskey seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lehman, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Gaskey seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lindell, Lehman and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

Buildings & Grounds – Council Member Sharp reviewed the Tree Program. The village has 2800 trees and all catalogued on a master spreadsheet by health and species. Each year trees come down according to health of tree or in danger to place or person. Fifty years ago 900 Maple trees were planted and they last fifty years, therefore those are being replaced. The Ordinance presented today is an annual Ordinance to continue to support our Tree Program.

Council member Sharp introduced and advanced to the third reading **ORDINANCE 10-1, 2022 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 2023, AUTHORIZING THE OFFICERS OF TERRACE PARK TO DO SUCH WORK FOR THE YEAR 2023, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVYING OF AN ASSESSMENT UPON REAL PROPERTY IN TERRACE PARK FOR THE COST AND EXPENSE OF SUCH WORK** Ingebritson seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lehman, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt the ordinance as an emergency. Lehman seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lindell, Lehman and Sharp voted aye. Ordinance passed as an emergency.

Rules & Law -Judith Lehman-No Report.

Public Works-Pax Lindell –No Report.

Public Safety –Lauren Ingebritson explained the resolution presented tonight is for the purchase of a new truck for the Terrace Park Fire Department. This will replace the old pumper, Rescue 94 and allow us to do quick runs around the village.

Council member Ingebritson introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION NO. 10-4, 2022 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2023 FORD F-150 AT A PRICE OF \$48,490.00** Sharp seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lehman, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Lindell seconded. LeMay, Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lindell, Lehman and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

CONTINUED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

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

Respectfully submitted:

Katherine Lyons
Clerk of Council

Thomas M. Tepe, Jr.
Mayor