# MINUTES OF MEETING March 14, 2023 VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK COUNCIL HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

Council met on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 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. Jeff LeMay, Mr. Pax Lindell, Mr. John Gaskey, Ms. Regina Sharp, 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 and Solicitor Jeff Forbes. Council member Judith Lehman and Fire Chief Steve Dronsfield were absent.

The Mayor asked if anyone had any corrections, additions or deletions to the February 14, 2023 Minutes. Council Member Gaskey motioned to approve the Council Minutes from the February 14, 2023 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. Seeing none, he moved on.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Tepe asked Ms. Ingebritson to move up in the agenda the resolutions for our EMS Volunteer. With that, Council Member Ingebritson introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 3-3**, **2023 CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF MEDDIE JON KALEGI TO THE VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK** Lindell seconded. Gaskey, LeMay, Ingebritson, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. Ingebritson then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lindell, LeMay and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

The Mayor updated residents on the following:

- 1. Met with Director of Cincinnati Water Works interim director, she will look at our water lines and give her thoughts and guidelines. When asked about water lines from the 50s and 60s are really not that old, more interested in the fact that 4",6" and 8" lines and the fire hydrants in the Alley.
  - **a.** Suggested, where if, at all, does the fire department have the concern.
- 1. Received concerning news from Greg Kesterman that within the Annual Budget Bill there is a proposed amendment that would undo the work we did with Hamilton County Septic. In response to this Mayor Tepe:
  - Met with Racheal Baker and Representative Issacson with the City of Cincinnati, expressed our concerns regarding the language for immediate replacement of Dry Wells.
  - b. The health commissioner contacted representative Bill Seitz and will propose to the State of Ohio Department of Health, the language that is written in our agreement with Hamilton.

Chief Fiscal Officer: Katie Lyons-No Report.

Solicitor: Jeff Forbes-No Report.

Clerk of Council: Katie Lyons – No Report.

**EMS CHIEF:** Chief Maggard reported that the spring class is due to finish in mid may.

**FIRE CHIEF:** Chief Dronsfield was absent. Chief Maggard reported that they had great training last night with EMS and Fire Departments. Chief Maggard was grateful for Representative Baker and her support of House Bill 509.

# POLICE CHIEF/VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Chief Hayhow updated the following:

- Met with sidewalk contractor today and marked the sidewalks to replaced.
- Spoke to Strausser Construction about resealing streets.
- Thanked Terrace Park EMS for their help last week when we had an overdose on Route 50.

## MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OUTSIDE THEIR COMMITTEE: None

## Reports, Resolutions & Ordinances of Standing Committee: None

**Planning & Zoning** – Council Member Gaskey updated on the Planning Commission Public Hearing that was held prior to tonight's council meeting to discuss the following topics:

- 1. Code around structures, height of accessory building height as it relates to principal building.
- 2. The use of signs and we plan to continue the public hearing discussion. Proposed recommended language will be sent to council prior to the council meeting.

We will have a first reading of the proposed changes at the April Council Meeting with a public hearing prior to the May Council Meeting.

**Finance** –Council member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION NO. 3-1-2023 STRONGLY URGING THE OHIO GOVERNOR AND MEMBERS OF THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO RESTORE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND TO PRERECESSION LEVELS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** Gaskey seconded. Gaskey, LeMay, Ingebritson, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lindell, LeMay and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

Council member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 3-2-23, 2023 FIXING THE SALARIES AND RATINGS OF VILLAGE EMPLOYEES EFFECTIVE MARCH 16, 2023** Ingebritson seconded. Gaskey, LeMay, Ingebritson, Lindell and Sharp voted aye. LeMay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Ingebritson, Lindell, LeMay and Sharp voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

Buildings & Grounds – Ms. Sharp –No Report. Rules & Law -Judith Lehman- Absent. Public Works-Pax Lindell –No Report. Public Safety –Ms. Ingebritson 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