

MINUTES OF MEETING
April 2, 2024
VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK COUNCIL
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

Council met on Tuesday April 2, 2024, at 6:00 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. Lauren Ingebritson, and Ms. Regina Sharp. 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. Council Member Ms. Judith Lehman was absent.

The Mayor asked if anyone had any corrections, additions or deletions to the March 12, 2024 Minutes. Council Member John Gaskey motioned to approve the Council Minutes from the March 12, 2024, 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.

Megan Latimer of 113 Marian Lane presented a concern about drainage on Marian Lane. Her concern was the stagnant water sitting in the circle. Village Administrator and Chief of Police Jerry Hayhow responded that he could investigate drywells being cleaned out, however that area of the village has a lot of clay which leads to poor drainage. The Chief's other concern with cars parking in the circle is forcing trucks into the middle grassy area causing the large holes that are holding the water. The Chief suggested no parking pads for homes in the circle in hopes that would allow for a wider turn area for trucks, giving more clearance for the center island.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Tepe reminded residents of the upcoming New Resident Open House April 30, 2024 at 7pm in the Community Building.

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 Bo Hesser, a Terrace Park resident, organized 2 CPR sessions with 60+ people. Due to the overwhelming response a 3rd training has been added on April 29, 2024.

FIRE CHIEF: Chief Dronsfield no report.

POLICE CHIEF/VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

- Chief Hayhow would like to let the residents know that we have a group of thieves in the area, including Indian Hill, Madeira, Montgomery this year. They try to distract the homeowner while another person enters the home to steal. Unfortunately, this happened to a Terrace Park resident last Saturday afternoon. A male subject with a covid mask pretended to be from the water works and convinced her to go to the back yard while the thief went through the home. These thieves are even equipped with walkie talkies. If anyone comes to your door that you are unsure of, please call the police, 911.

- The Chief reminded residents, if someone is at your house that causes you concern, call 911.
- On another note, the sidewalk project for this year has been completed and they look great. If you do see blacktop on the sidewalk, that is temporary. That is a sure sign that it is on the radar to be fixed.
- The next project is street repair and maintenance.

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OUTSIDE THEIR COMMITTEE:

Reports, Resolutions & Ordinances of Standing Committee: None

Planning & Zoning – Mr. Gaskey-No Report.

Finance – Mr. LeMay explained that this resolution is to move the money, with-in the tree fund, from account codes for salary, OPERS and Medicare to the operating and maintenance account.

Council Member LeMay introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION 4-1, 2024 TO EMPOWER THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER TO REVISE THE 2024 APPROPRIATION BUDGET**

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

Buildings & Grounds – Regina Sharp reported that the arborist has updated all the information in the software system, re-evaluated the trees and signed on with an emergency tree company. She reminded residents if they have a tree issue or concern to email trees@terracepark.org.

Rules & Law -Judith Lehman Absent. Ms. Sharp reminded residents that this is to move the free-standing postings around the village to only the Website and the village office lobby. Mayor Tepe reminded that this legislation just states that ordinance satisfies our legal obligations to post on the website, but we can always post in more places, without having an amendment to the ordinance. The village green has been suggested as a location to post information.

In lieu of Ms. Lehman's absence Ms. Sharp re- introduced for the third reading **ORDINANCE NO. 2-1-24 ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10.19(A) OF THE TERRACE PARK CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING PUBLICATION BY POSTING** Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Sharp, LeMay, Ingebritson and Lindell voted aye. Sharp then moved to adopt the ordinance. Ingebritson seconded. Gaskey, Sharp, Ingebritson, Lindell and LeMay voted aye. Ordinance will go into effect in 30 days.

Public Works-Pax Lindell -No Report.

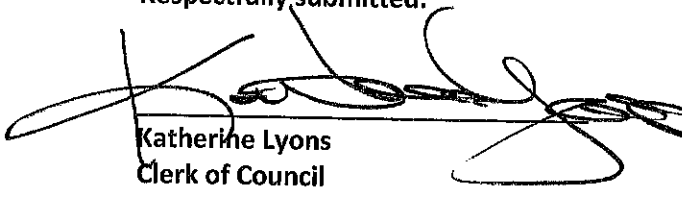
Public Safety –Lauren Ingebritson explained the resolution is to appoint a new auxiliary officer. Chief Hayhow explained we have the opportunity to hire someone with a great deal of experience to be a consultant. He has extensive experience as a police officer, and he has a lot to offer our department. Council Member Ingebritson introduced and advanced to the third reading **RESOLUTION NO. 4-2, 2024 RESOLUTION APPOINTING THOMAS WELLS AS AN AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT** Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Sharp, LeMay, Ingebritson and Lindell voted aye. Ingebritson then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Sharp, Ingebritson, Lindell and LeMay voted aye. Resolution passed as an emergency.

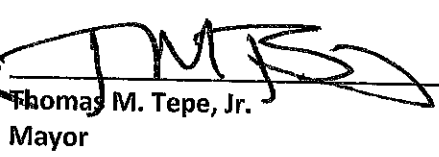
CONTINUED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

Adjournment: Mr. Gaskey motioned to adjourn. Voice Vote all voted "aye."

Respectfully submitted:


Katherine Lyons
Clerk of Council


Thomas M. Tepe, Jr.
Mayor