

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**  
**September 9, 2014**  
**VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK COUNCIL**  
**HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

Council met on Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Terrace Park Community Building. Mayor Gohman led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members of Council present were Mr. Lee Cole, Mr. Jeff LeMay, Ms. Judith Lehman, Mrs. Holly Purcell, Mr. Rick Tripp and Mr. Tom Tepe. In addition, Mayor Jay Gohman, Chief Financial Officer Mark Holcomb, Assistant Fiscal Officer Pat Wirthlin, EMS Chief John Maggard and Police Chief Jerry Hayhow were in attendance. Council member Jeff LeMay and Clerk of Council Melanie Stutenroth were absent.

Mr. Tom Tepe then moved to approve Council Minutes from the August 27th and August 29th, 2014 Council meetings. Mrs. Purcell seconded. All voted aye. Minutes approved.

**RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:** None.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Gohman reported that many new families have recently moved to Terrace Park. To welcome these new residents, Mayor Gohman is organizing a New Family Night to be held at the Community Building on Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. This evening will be held to introduce new residents to village services and to provide important information to these families. He then reminded residents that during this election season that election signs must be one sign per candidate or issue for each street that abuts the property. The sign may not be larger than six square feet and no signs are allowed in the village right-of-way. Section 1137 of the Terrace Park Zoning Code details these requirements regarding elections signs. Mayor Gohman asked residents to visit [www.terracepark.org](http://www.terracepark.org) for full details of the signage ordinance. In conclusion, Mayor Gohman reminded residents to contact Building Official John Hester before starting any construction on their home or property. End of report.

**CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER:** Mark Holcomb reported that a review of refinancing companies will begin on September 24<sup>th</sup> and will settle by September 29<sup>th</sup>. End of report.

**SOLICITOR:** Solicitor Bob Malloy reported that the oral argument for the Martin Marietta case will go before Judge Ruehlman this week. In his perspective, the material and facts have not changed since the Judge last rendered a decision. The only change is the arbitrary behavior by the Anderson BZA for not paying attention and reviewing this issue. Mr. Malloy will remind Judge Ruehlman of this behavior. Mr. Malloy feels optimistic that the new ruling will be in favor of Terrace Park and other communities fighting the mining project.

Mayor Gohman asked how much time will be needed to render a new decision. Mr. Malloy stated that this will depend on the judge's schedule, yet he predicts a decision within the month. End of report.

**EMS CHIEF:** Chief John Maggard reported that four new recruits will begin classes this month. He also added that EMS participated in a disaster drill at CVG with over 30 ambulances, fire trucks and the airport's special equipment. End of report.

**FIRE CHIEF:** Fire Chief Luke Frey reported that TPFD assisted Milford FD with an apartment fire recently. He also supports Resolution 9-2 which will be presented to Council at this meeting requesting secondary locks at on all classroom doors within Terrace Park. In conclusion, Chief Frey encouraged residents to volunteer for the Emergency Services departments. End of report.

**POLICE CHIEF:** Police reports were submitted to Council prior to the meeting.

**STREETS AND MAINTENANCE:** Chief Hayhow reported that the Elm Road project will begin on October 1<sup>st</sup> and will last for one week. End of report.

**BUILDING OFFICIAL:** The Building Official's report was included in Council packets.

**MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OUTSIDE THEIR COMMITTEE:** None.

**PLANNING & ZONING:** No report.

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS:** Judith Lehman introduced **ORDINANCE 9-1, 2014, DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF AND PROVIDING FOR CONTROLLING THE BLIGHT AND DISEASE OF SHADE TREES WITHIN PUBLIC RIGHT-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 2015, AUTHORIZING THE OFFICERS OF TERRACE PARK TO DO SUCH WORK FOR THE YEAR 2015, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVYING OF AN ASSESSMENT UPON REAL PROPERTY IN TERRACE PARK FOR THE COST AND EXPENSE OF SUCH WORK.** Ms. Lehman then advanced this resolution to the third reading. Mr. Tepe seconded. Messrs. Cole, Tepe, Tripp, Ms. Lehman and Mrs. Purcell voted aye. Ms. Lehman then moved to adopt the resolution. Mr. Tepe seconded. Messrs. Cole, Tepe, Tripp, Ms. Lehman and Mrs. Purcell voted aye. Ms. Lehman moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Mr. Cole seconded. Messrs. Cole, Tepe, Tripp, Ms. Lehman and Mrs. Purcell voted aye. Ordinance passed. End of report.

**FINANCE:** In Jeff Lemay's absence, Judith Lehman introduced **RESOLUTION 9-1, 2014. A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.** Ms. Lehman then advanced this resolution to the third reading. Mr. Cole seconded. Messrs. Cole, Tepe, Tripp, Ms. Lehman and Mrs. Purcell voted aye. Ms. Lehman then moved to adopt the resolution. Mr. Tepe seconded. Messrs. Cole, Tepe, Tripp, Ms. Lehman and Mrs. Purcell voted aye. Ms. Lehman moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Mr. Cole seconded. Messrs. Cole, Tepe, Tripp, Ms. Lehman and Mrs. Purcell voted aye. Resolution passed. End of report.

**RULES & LAWS:** No report.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** No report.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Mrs. Purcell reported that the Safety Committee meeting had a meeting recently to discuss a secondary locking device in Terrace Park Elementary. These locks are being considered in the event of an active shooter on school grounds. The goal would be for the state building code and fire code to be changed to allow this locking device. Chief Hayhow reported that Building Official, John Hester, suggested that one area be targeted to begin. Chief Hayhow thanked the Chief Frey, Chief Maggard, Lt. Chin and John Hester for their work on this resolution. Mrs. Purcell continued that these locks are inexpensive and will be installed in every classroom. Chief Frey added that TPPD have been training the teachers on barricading and defending themselves and the children in the event of an emergency. These locks will provide the first responders to know how to get into a room that is locked by a secondary lock, not barricaded. Rick Tripp added that these types of locks are being considered at the university level and he commended all involved for presenting this resolution. Mrs. Purcell then introduced for a first reading, **RESOLUTION 9-2, 2014. A RESOLUTION PERMITTING THE INSTALLATION OF SECONDARY TEMPORARY LOCKING DEVICE ON SCHOOL CLASSROOM DOORS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK.** Mr. Malloy has recommended that this resolution be reviewed for revisions and then be presented for a second reading at the October meeting.

Mrs. Purcell then added that the Safety meeting also included a discussion of a proposed curfew for the youth of Terrace Park. There was not sufficient support for this curfew and the issue has been tabled at this time. She stated that Chief Hayhow reminds residents to call 911 if they see any inappropriate activity within the Village. End of report.

**CONTINUED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

Mr. Tepe moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Mr. Cole seconded. All voted aye. Regular meeting adjourned.

**Respectfully submitted:**

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**Melanie N. Stutenroth**  
Clerk of Council

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**Jay Gohman**  
Mayor