

MINUTES OF MEETING
February 9, 2021
VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK COUNCIL
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

Council met on Tuesday February 9, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. via zoom. 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, Chief Fiscal Officer and Clerk of Council, Katie Lyons.

The Mayor asked if anyone had any corrections, additions or deletions to the January 12, 2021 Minutes. Council Member Gaskey motioned to approve the Council Minutes from the January 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 Tepe changed the agenda to accommodate the swearing in of the auxiliary police officers.

Council Member Ingebritson introduced and advanced to the third **RESOLUTION 2-4, 2021 APPOINTING JEREMY CHITWOOD AS AN AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT** Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ingebritson then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ordinance passed as an emergency.

Council Member Ingebritson introduced and advanced to the third **RESOLUTION 2-5, 2021 APPOINTING EVAN LEWIN AS AN AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT** Gaskey seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ingebritson then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ordinance passed as an emergency.

Council Member Ingebritson, thanked both gentlemen for their service and welcomed them aboard. Mayor Tepe thanked the officers, while council applauded.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Tepe recognized Karolyn Staggs upon her retirement Feb. 26 as officer in charge of the Terrace Park Post Office for the past 7 years. "We all owe her a big thank you," he said.

Mayor Tepe also expressed appreciation to the village maintenance crew – Dave Evanchyk, Tim McLemore and Steve Fuhrman – for keeping streets safe and passable when about nine inches of snow fell the previous night.

Chief Fiscal Officer: No Report.

Solicitor: No Report.

Clerk of Council: No Report.

EMS CHIEF: Recruit Class is back on track, Chief Maggard thanked Chief Hayhow for his help.

FIRE CHIEF: No Report

POLICE CHIEF/VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: The Maintenance Crew was down to only two trucks, and during an uninterrupted 11-hour clean-up, the crew put 66 tons of salt on village streets. In the last ten days the crew has logged over 50 hours of overtime .

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OUTSIDE THEIR COMMITTEE:

Planning & Zoning –No Report

Buildings & Grounds –No Report

Finance – Council Member Lemay explained that we do this every year, the county allows us to petition to get our money 30-45 days earlier than usual. He then thanked Katie for her diligence in this manner.

Council Member Lemay introduced and advanced to the third **RESOLUTION 2-1 REQUESTING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO MAKE TAX ADVANCES DURING THE YEAR 2021 PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE, SECTION 321.34** Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Lemay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ordinance passed as an emergency.

Council Member Lemay explained this is renewal of our Liability Insurance, an annual resolution. The rate has not increased in recent years due to the village's effective employee training programs and as Hayhow explained is up just 1.12% this year based on the inflationary cost of replacing equipment and property.

Council Member Lemay introduced and advanced to the third **RESOLUTION 2-2, 2021, AUTHORIZING CONTINUING INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK UNDER THE OHIO GOVERNMENT RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PREMIUM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$26,270.00 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** Lehman seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Lemay then moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency. Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ordinance passed as an emergency.

Rules & Law –No Report

Public Works –No Report

Public Safety – Council Member Ingebritson introduced and advanced to the third **RESOLUTION 2-3 2021 APPOINTING LAUREN INGEBRITSON AND JEFF LEMAY TO THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' DEPENDANTS FUND BOARD** Sharp seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ingebritson then moved to adopt the resolution as an

emergency. Lindell seconded. Gaskey, Lehman, LeMay, Ingebritson and Sharp voted aye. Ordinance passed as an emergency.

The Volunteer Firefighters Dependent Fund Board, reviews line-of-duty insurance claims.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

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

Respectfully submitted:

Katherine Lyons
Clerk of Council

Thomas M. Tepe, Jr.
Mayor