



# Timberlake Times

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## IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	EVENT	TIME (LOCATION)
TUES, APRIL 10	Village Club Meeting	7:00pm (Village Hall)
TUES, APRIL 17	Timberlake Council Meeting	7:30pm (Village Hall)
SAT, APRIL 21	Spring Beach Clean-up Earth Day	9:30am (Village Hall)
MON, APRIL 23	Deadline for <i>Times</i> submissions	5pm

### Do you keep up with us on social media?

Find us on 

Find us here: <https://www.facebook.com/TimberlakeVillageClub>

Follow the Village Club on Facebook to stay informed of current Village Club events, photos, and videos! We actively update it with announcements and reminders!

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### RECYCLING DATES

2018 recycling dates: 4/13, 4/27, 5/4, 5/18, 6/1, 6/15, 6/29, 7/13, 7/27, 8/3, 8/17, 8/31, 9/14, 9/28, 10/12, 10/26, 11/9, **11/24 (SAT)**, 12/7, 12/21

### OPEN POSITION

The Timberlake Police Department is actively seeking qualified candidates for the position of Special Police Officer. This is a commissioned peace officer position under Ohio Revised Code 737.16. The Timberlake Police Department is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.

Applications are available 24/7, in person, at 11 East Shore Boulevard, Timberlake, Ohio 44095. Call dispatch at 440-350-2794 and request an officer respond to Village Hall upon your arrival. All questions regarding the position may be addressed to the Chief of Police at [cheifesser@villageoftimberlake.com](mailto:cheifesser@villageoftimberlake.com).

Qualified candidates must meet the following requirements:

- Submit a comprehensive application for employment.
- Possess a valid Ohio Driver's License.
- Have a high school diploma or equivalent.
- Be at least 21 years old at the time of appointment.
- Possess a valid OPOTA peace officer certification or be eligible for an OPOTA approved "refresher" training course.
- Never have been convicted of a felony or family violence offense, and is not currently under indictment for any criminal offense.
- Not be prohibited by state or federal law from operating a motor vehicle.
- Not be prohibited by state or federal law from possessing firearms or ammunition.
- Have never had a commission or peace officer license denied and/or revoked.

### IN MEMORIUM

**Darnton Cuppett**

**(Jan. 20, 1927 – Jan. 24, 2018)**

Darnton was a long-time resident of Timberlake (22 years) and resided at 1 Shawondassee. He was a WWII veteran that served overseas in Europe. Darnton was proceeded in death by his wife, Frances, in April 2017. He is survived by his son, Mark, and grandsons Matthew and Andy.

**Charles Smith**

**(Mar. 1, 1934 – Nov. 2, 2017)**

Charles "Chuck" Smith, a 45 year Timberlake resident, has died. Chuck, his wife, Audrey, and family moved into the Village in 1972. He became very involved in the Timberlake Men's Club helping in the construction for the stands for the annual carnivals and in 1976 he became club president. After a hitch in the Navy he joined the American Legion post 0214. Chuck and Audrey attended St Justin Martyr Church.

### YARD WASTE PICK-UP

Yard waste pick-up will resume the first week of April!

### BEACH CLEAN-UP

Please join us again this Spring and clean up the beach! It's important that we keep trash out of Lake Erie and make our beach a safer place to be. For more details, see page 4.

## RESIDENTS: YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED!

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*This was published in the last issue of the Times, but no one reached out to Jody. This is your Village – please contribute suggestions! Be an active voice in your community!!*

Your council person, Jody Marsh-Coleman, is looking to gather community input and ideas on a few areas:

### **1. Summer Recreation Program:**

The summer recreation program is being evaluated and possibly changed as needed to fit our growing needs as a community. What do residents want to see in a program? What is the value of this program? How much interest is there for 2018?

### **2. Re-development of the Baseball Field:**

The lower portion of the playground where the old baseball field used to be is under consideration for a project or some type of development/use for the residents to enjoy. Here are the ideas so far:

1. An area for a community vegetable garden (much like what is in Parson's garden as an example). Plots would be divided up and assigned for residents to plant their gardens. The area would be fenced, with possibly raised beds for planting (due to drainage problems noted).
2. An exercise area/dog park. There is a grant from the Pet Safe company we could apply for to assist with this. It would be a fenced area with poop stations and benches. Residents would register their pets, show proof of vaccines, and then have access.
3. Return it to use as a baseball field, repairing and clearing the area to be used again.

Please submit any other ideas for consideration - Jody will gather the information and continue to get feedback. You can reach her at [jmarshcoleman@villageoftimberlake.com](mailto:jmarshcoleman@villageoftimberlake.com) or 330-208- 7370.

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## TIMBERLAKE BOCCE LEAGUE

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I hope everyone is ready to get outside again!! We are NOW accepting sign-ups for the Bocce League. We play on the refurbished court at the Village Hall on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights at 6:30 and 7:00pm.

Teams play once per week from June through early September. Teams consist of 4 people so sign up as a team, a couple, or a single.

You don't need a lot of skill and we have a lot of fun so come and join us and meet some nice people!! Call Fred Bittner at **P: (440) 951-2992** to sign up or with any questions!!

# CELEBRATE YOUR LOVE FOR THE GREAT LAKES

*Join us for our Adopt-a-Beach™ event!*



Join volunteers in caring for the Great Lakes at our beach cleanup. Litter data collected during Adopt-a-Beach™ events is used to prevent pollution and make positive changes to protect our beaches and coasts.



**Date:** Saturday, April 21, 2018 (Earth Day!)

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**Meet at:** Top of the steps leading down to the beach

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**Time:** 9:30am-11am

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**Contact Information:** Call/email Jackie Orabone with any questions:  
440-815-1951 or [jackelyn.orabone@gmail.com](mailto:jackelyn.orabone@gmail.com)  
\*\*Kids are welcome to participate with adult supervision\*\*

[www.greatlakesadopt.org](http://www.greatlakesadopt.org)

## THE VILLAGE OF TIMBERLAKE: FEBRUARY 2018 MINUTES

John P. Roskos, Mayor  
MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Linda Murphy          Vince Cronin          Jodie Marsh-Coleman  
Mike Stanton          Ritu Sharma          Shannon Sharma

John H. Roskos, Fiscal Officer

### TIMBERLAKE COUNCIL MEETING March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018

The Mayor opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance followed by the public portion at 7:30 PM. He asked for roll call of the officers. All council members were present, along with our Solicitor and the Fiscal Officer.

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Council Minutes.

Motion to approve: Cronin

Seconded: Murphy

Ayes: Murphy, Cronin, Stanton, Marsh-Coleman, R. Sharma, and S. Sharma.

Nays: None

Motion carried; Minutes approved.

The Mayor noted the county will provide us with an annual street cleaning on June 6<sup>th</sup>, the other will be the 22<sup>nd</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup>. There is a primary election on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and the machines will be delivered on April 27<sup>th</sup>, with set-up being done on 8 AM. The Mayor will call to confirm the date of set-up. April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, they are kicking off a ceremony on April 11<sup>th</sup>. The information will be accessible to the public if they are interested in participating. There is a 0.7 mil renewal on the elections this year; this is not an increase, just a renewal.

### SAFETY

Mr. Cronin noted that the new cruiser should be in by May. The White Crownback will definitely be traded in, but they are still discussing the trade-in prices for the other vehicle. The Chief and Police Department are redoing the police station and reorganizing the area for better accessibility for the staff. A new AC was installed, and a new tow contract was given to Mr. Germano for revision. No additional payments have been made by Vitalone's Towing on the \$2200 they owe us, of which \$550

was paid last month. Chief Esser approached Mr. Cronin on the "No Knock" policy that was implemented in Eastlake. When the sticker is on the doors, solicitors cannot knock on doors even if they have a permit. This is something we are looking to begin at Timberlake. He stated that we are proactively searching for cadets and qualified patrolman for the Village. When the weather is better, the Police Department will be doing driver training, which hasn't occurred in several years. Mr. Cronin will need 300 traffic cones to set up the course, but as he is teaching it, there is no cost for the training. He doesn't want to use any of the old cruisers, but rather the new vehicles, which are Fords and SUVs, will be utilized for the class. There will be a Safety Committee meeting that will be scheduled soon as there were issues with old ordinances, including the 470 section and the 700 section, as they are both 30+ years old with ambiguous language. Mr. Cronin noted there has been quite an issue with black bears in the area, as well.

Chief Esser stated that he will get more information on the "No Knock" solicitor policy from the Eastlake Police Department, but from what he knows, this sign will prevent solicitors from knocking on the doors of individuals that are partaking in the program and they can be held responsible legally if they do. Black bears have been seen more commonly this year; since last month, there were 7-8 confirmed sites, including in Painesville. There have been no sightings in Mentor or other surrounding areas. A confirmed sighting is phoned into central dispatch and reported. We have not had a sighting in close proximity to us, but Chief Esser recommends taking flashlights out when taking out dogs at night. Chief Esser provided the monthly report for February. There were 28 incident reports, 27 citations, 42 traffic details, 165 house checks, and 31 community policing checks. The total activities logged were 430.

**SERVICE**

Mr. Stanton noted that salt orders have been suspended for the time being due to a leakage in the mines. Potholes were patched over the brick road today. Maintenance on the vehicles is also being done regularly. A oil change was done on the vehicle and a \$100 repair on the snowplow; the chain saw was repaired, as well. There is currently a sign hung up on the beach and another one behind the Service Garage. The current sign will be remounted on the eastern side of property. Mr. Stanton is talking to a vendor for selling the old street signs that are currently in the Service Garage. The mulch by the garage will be cleaned out in April. If anyone wants mulch for their properties, a day will be set-up for pick-up. The cleaning will be monitored in April. Please check the village website for confirmation of the date. Mr. Stanton is also working on applying for grants for new signs. He is also hoping there won't be much snow tonight in order to not use up the salt we currently have in our reserves. He hopes to reinforce the roof over the salt shed this summer. Mr. Stanton is also looking for ideas for projects around the Village; he is open to suggestions, so please contact him with any beautification ideas.

Mr. Stanton presented Ordinance 2018-11, an ordinance amending section 1590.01 of Chapter 1490 of the codified ordinances of the Village of Timberlake, adopting the current edition of the international property maintenance code and all subsequent editions. Mr. Germano noted that in the current ordinance, we are adopting the 2012 version; this ordinance enables the Village to adopt the latest code available.

Motion to suspend third reading rule: Stanton

Seconded: S. Sharma

All were in favor of suspending third reading rule.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2018-11: Stanton

Seconded: Murphy

All were in favor of the Ordinance; Motion approved.

**TREES & RECREATION**

Ms. Marsh-Coleman attended the Northcoast Arbory conference at Lakeland. She contacted the Ohio Arborist, Alan Siewert from ODNR Division

of Forestry, who will tour the Village and assess urban forest needs. There was a complaint of a tree needing to be removed on Eastshore. Ms. Marsh-Coleman included requests for the summer program, garden area, and dog park with a grant into the Timberlake Times, but has not had a response by anyone so far.

**FINANCE**

Dr. Sharma presented Resolution 2018-10, approving and directing payment of certain bills by the Village of Timberlake.

Motion to approve Resolution 2018-10: Dr. Sharma

Seconded: Stanton

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

Dr. Sharma presented Ordinance 2018-07, an ordinance amending ordinance 2018-2 specifically section 880.06 of the codified ordinances of the Village of Timberlake regarding municipal income tax and put it on second reading.

According to the Fiscal Officer, shortly into 2020, the General Fund will be out of money, so the Village is looking at ways to increase revenue. The first is done by Ordinance 2018-07, which will eliminate the 50% income tax credit for income tax paid in another municipality. A second possibility will be an additional levy on property taxes. The hypothesized document looks at a 5-mil levy, but the numbers will be confirmed by the county. The Mayor stated the money that we have today runs the operations in the Village. Based on the revenue coming in, if we continue to operate at the same level, in 2020, we will have a \$75,000 deficit from our existing budget. The elimination of the tax-credit will take us to 2021, after which there will still be a deficit. The additional 5 mil levy will only sustain exactly what we have today and will not count toward any capital improvements. The Mayor is asking council members for what will be needed in the next few years, such as changes to the Village Hall and the Village truck, so they can be taken into consideration for the future. Ms. Murphy noted there is 7 years left on the current roof. Dr. Sharma invited the Village residents to drive by 15 Minnewawa Dr., as an outdoor library was erected

in honor of her parents, who were avid readers. The library has books that residents can borrow and read at their leisure.

**SEWERS**

Ms. Sharma stated there were no basement flooding, but there were complaints of water drainage being slow, especially around Nepahwin. Ciro's will be coming in during April and May for cleaning of the Village. A resident requested having a catch basin created near their home where there is a huge water back-up. The Mayor will look into this.

**VILLAGE HALL**

Ms. Murphy presented Ordinance 2018-09, establishing the rates for rental for the Village Hall and Village Hall Pavilion and put on first reading. The rates will increase approximately \$25, as we are lower than almost any other establishment. This will give the Hall a cushion for maintenance

upkeep. There was a new microwave installed, the hot water tank was moved upstairs, and there were 2 roof leaks. Ms. Murphy is looking into grants for the lights in the Hall. The replacement of the light is estimated at \$9000 as per Pete Formica. NOPEC will be contributing \$2322 toward this price annually. Mr. Formica will look into getting the NOPEC contribution for the next few years for the light. He is also looking into grants for the community hall, making it more feasible to run. He will be present in next month's meeting to present his findings.

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM.

Motion to adjourn: Stanton

Seconded: S. Sharma

All were in favor.

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John H. Roskos, Fiscal Officer

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John P. Roskos, Mayor

The complete text of each ordinance or resolution can be obtained from the Fiscal Officer or viewed at the Village Hall.

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VILLAGE CLUB EVENTS

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# Timberlake Neighborhood Garage Sale 2018

Thurs, May 31 – Sat, June 2  
9am-4pm



**\$10 to participate**

Includes:

Garage Sale Permit

- Ad in the News-Herald and online
- Map of all houses in the neighborhood
  - Balloons for your house

Contact Jackie Orabone at 440-815-1951 or [jackelyn.orabone@gmail.com](mailto:jackelyn.orabone@gmail.com) (email is preferred) with any questions and/or to reserve your spot.

Fee is payable by cash or check (made out to "Timberlake Village Club").