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Announcements

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to John Kanuch's Eagle Scout Project: Erin Assink, Damien Assink, Gretchen Kless, Rick Kanuch, Krista Kanuch, John Marra, Nancy Marra Mr. Greg Transky, Jane Logan, Nancy Stoneman, Vince and Sherri Kronin, John and Claude Kanuch, Patricia Polivchak, Ashley Thompson, Matt Drew, Debbie King, and Mrs. Zahler.

- John Kanuch

Neighbor News

Nothing to report this month but please share any and all exciting news with the editor!

Email jackelyn.orabone@gmail.com with any news you'd like to share with our community.

Recycling Dates 2021



Recycle Calendar
Village of Timberlake

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THE VILLAGE OF TIMBERLAKE: DECEMBER 2020 MINUTES

John Marra, Mayor

JoAnne Clapp, Fiscal Officer

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Sherri Falkenberg Vince Cronin Nancy Marra
Ritu Sharma Shannon Sharma Kimberly Saba

TIMBERLAKE COUNCIL MEETING
December 15th, 2020

The Mayor opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance followed by the prayer at 7:30 PM. He asked for roll call of the officers. All council members were present along with the Fiscal Officer, JoAnne Clapp. The Solicitor, Jason Hartzell, was also present.

John Kanuch planted 18 young trees by the island through his Eagle Scouts Project. The Mayor thanked the Chief for his service and wished him a blessed holiday. There were some PPE packets that were given to all the residents; the Mayor thanked council members for passing them out. If anyone did not receive a packet, please contact a council member. There are some extras at the Village Hall.

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the Minutes for November 17th, 2020.

Motion to approve: Falkenber

Seconded: S. Sharma

Motion carried; Minutes approved.

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the Minutes for November 24th, 2020 special council meeting.

Motion to approve: Marra

Seconded: R. Sharma

Motion carried; Minutes approved.

PUBLIC PORTION

Please refer to the comments below:

Dr. A. Sharma encouraged everyone, especially high-risk individuals around the Village, to get the upcoming COVID 19 vaccines which are arriving at MetroHealth and Cleveland Clinic this week. She recommended reaching out to primary care

providers to see how residents can get on the list for the vaccination follow healthcare/frontline workers and nursing home residents.

Ms. Clapp wished everyone a great holiday season. She reminded the Mayor to post the job descriptions on the website. Ms. Saba suggested it gets on the website first, then run the ad. Mr. Hartzell said there was a comment on the YouTube page. People need to make sure not to park on the street during snow events. The Mayor noted the islands are soft right now, as well, and he'd like cars to not drive

The Mayor presented Resolution No: 2020-20 (3rd Reading): A resolution authorizing the fiscal officer to transfer seventy thousand dollars and ninety-five cents (\$70,000.95) from the general fund (1000) to the sanitary sewer debt service fund (3101) fourteen thousand one hundred seventy three and ninety cents (\$14,173.90); paving improvement debt fund (3902) forty-eight thousand; police cruiser debt fund (3903) six thousand eight hundred forty-nine and seventy six cents (\$6,849.76) for year 2021, and declaring an emergency.

Motion to approve: Saba

Seconded: Cronin

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

The Mayor presented Resolution No. 2020-21 (3rd Reading): A resolution approving the permanent appropriations funds for the Village of Timberlake, Ohio for the year 2021 and declaring an emergency.

Motion to approve: Marra

Seconded: S. Sharma

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

The Mayor presented Resolution No. 2020-22 (3rd Reading): A resolution authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to enter into an agreement with the Love Insurance Agency to provide for the continuation of property and casualty insurance coverage for Village property and declaring an emergency. Mr. Cronin noted that the council president is listed to be bonded for \$25000. As we have a fiscal officer now, we no longer need that. There is an extra \$66 a year for that; in order to be on the bank accounts, the member has to be bonded. Mr. Cronin recommends reducing the bond from \$25000 to \$5000 and the Mayor should be bonded for \$25000. The Fiscal officer agreed along with Dr. Sharma.

Motion to approve: Cronin

Seconded: Falkenberg

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

The Mayor presented Resolution No. 2020-23 (3rd Reading): A resolution requesting the County Auditor to make advance payments of taxes for the year 2021.

Motion to approve: R. Sharma

Seconded: Saba

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

The Mayor presented Resolution No. 2020-24 (3rd Reading): A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Timberlake, Ohio, to hire Stefanik, Iouse, and Associates as Village Solicitor and setting the duties and salary and declaring an emergency.

Motion to approve: Marra

Seconded: R. Sharma

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

The Mayor presented Resolution No. 2020-27: A resolution authorizing the Fiscal Officer to amend the Certificate of Estimated Resources for the year 2020 and declaring an emergency.

Motion to suspend the rules: Saba

Seconded: Cronin

Motion to approve: Marra

Seconded: S. Sharma

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

The Mayor presented Resolution No. 2020-28: A resolution amending the permanent appropriations funds for the Village of Timberlake, Ohio for the year 2020 and declaring an emergency.

Motion to suspend the rules: Falkenberg

Seconded: S. Sharma

Motion to approve: Marra

Seconded: R. Sharma

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

The Mayor presented Resolution No. 2020-29 and placed on 1st Reading: A resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with CT Consultants to provide for professional engineering advice, consultation, assistance, and services to the Village, establishing the terms and conditions of same and declaring an emergency. The retainer was discussed; right now, the retainer that is charged is \$3000 and if anything is left over, he will give a credit. However, we always run over and are not charged for the services. There is a going rate that can be charged individually; the Mayor will send that to the council to review.

The Mayor presented Resolution No. 2002-30: A resolution approving a petition for the creation of a Shoreline Special Improvement District and for the levy of special assessment for Shoreline Improvement Projects and declaring an emergency. This was a petition for the shoreline that was sent to everyone. This allows residents to participate in very low interest financing for shoreline improvement. The tiebacks are breaking away and it may need repair down the line. The program said we could participate in it even a few years down the road as long as the resolution is approved. Mr. Cronin asked if this costs anything. The Mayor said it doesn't cost anything; however, every community along the shoreline has to participate in order to commence with the project.

Motion to suspend the rules: R. Sharma

Seconded: Saba

Motion to approve: Saba
Seconded: S. Sharma
All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

The Mayor presented Ordinance No. 2020-09 and placed on 1st Reading: An ordinance adopting an Interim Disaster Recovery Plan for the Village of Timberlake Offices and declaring an emergency. This can be passed as an emergency per Ms. Clapp. This needs to happen for the audit. Ms. Clapp wrote it up based on other communities. The auditors said it was missing. She asked what happens if it takes out the service garage and the Village Hall, where will the field office trailer go. She asked where would the Village go if there was a disaster. Mr. Cronin said Eastlake would likely help the Village. He will look into it. It needs to be passed by January 2021 per Ms. Clapp. The Mayor verified it could be passed as an emergency at the next meeting.

Ms. Clapp presented Resolution No. 2020-31, a resolution authorizing the interim Police Chief Christopher Pattie to begin the position effective January 17th and waiving the resident requirement. Motion to suspend the rules: Falkenberg
Seconded: R. Sharma
Motion to approve: Saba
Seconded: S. Sharma
All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved

Solicitor

There is nothing to report.

Fiscal Officer

Ms. Clapp presented the monthly financials. Ms. Clapp said starting in January the general fund balance will be about \$95000. She said as the permanent appropriations are approved, she sent a list with the approved budget items. Going forward, she wants the Village to watch what is spent. Ms. Clapp is personally held responsible for the expenditure. Please email her and council with any expenditures greater than \$100. She noted she is not doing any theft in office; she may have to yell at some people because now the Village is being

clamped down on. Mr. Cronin thanked her for her diligence.

Finance/Ordinances/Record Retention

Ms. Saba agrees with Ms. Clapp and has no updates. She said it is on everyone to keep an eye on the budget and spending.

Safety

Mr. Cronin has nothing to report for safety. Mr. Cronin noted that Chief Tryon has submitted his letter of retirement. He wants to assure the residents that we are diligently looking for a replacement. An interim Chief has been found. Mr. Cronin will find the best possible candidate for the job.

Village Hall

Ms. Falkenberg has nothing to report.

Recreation/Trees/Environment

Mrs. Marra has nothing to report except thanking John for his Eagle Scouts project. Unfortunately, someone vandalized a tree; pulled it out and snapped it in half. A police report was filed. She was sorry to hear that happened. Most comments about the trees were positive. There have been no replanting. This was a great favor to the Village. Ms. Marra thanked Ms. Sharma and Ms. Falkenberg for helping her put out the PPE. For the trees, there are storms coming, so please be careful with the aging canopy. Let Mrs. Marra know if there is something in the middle of the road. Some people leave early in the morning, so let her know if there is a large branch on the road.

Grants

Dr. Sharma has nothing to report. This was not the best year for grants.

Sewers

Ms. Sharma noted there is nothing to report, but that is good news.

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the November 2020 Financial Report.

Motion to approve: Falkenberg

Seconded: Saba

All were in favor.
Motion carried; Report approved.

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the 2021 Council Meeting Schedule dates.
Motion to approve: Marra
Seconded: S. Sharma
All were in favor.
Motion carried; Report approved.

The Mayor asked for a motion to authorize RITA. The Fiscal officer said as council, everyone received the letter from RITA about the penalty and interest abatement request. She wanted the council's decision on this. There are three options for penalties and interests. The first is giving them complete authority on behalf of municipality. The other is to approve RITA personnel to negotiate penalties only for the current and future penalty assessments. The third option is to let the Village make the decision. There needs to be a committee of three residents for that. The council has to decide which option they prefer. The committee can decide to waive the entire amount or give any dollar amount they choose. Mrs. Saba and Mrs. Marra agreed it should be the first choice, along with Mr. Cronin. Everyone was in agreeance.
Motion to approve: Saba
Seconded: Cronin
All were in favor.
Motion carried; Report approved.

The Mayor asked for a motion to accept Service Maintenance job description.
Motion to approve: Falkenberg
Seconded: R. Sharma
All were in favor.

The Mayor asked for a motion to accept Part-Time Zoning Inspector job description.
Motion to approve: R. Sharma
Seconded: Saba
All were in favor.

The Mayor asked for a motion to advertise for a Part-Time Zoning Inspector. The current zoning inspector is welcome to apply for the position.
Motion to approve: Saba
Seconded: Marra
All were in favor.

The Mayor asked for a motion to authorize the Mayor to advertise for a Full-Time or Part-Time Police Chief. This will be tabled till the next meeting.

The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the donation of outdoor trashcans as donated by the Gardners from the service department.
Motion to approve: Marra
Seconded: Saba
All were in favor.

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM.
Motion to adjourn: S. Sharma

Seconded: Marra

All were in favor.

Next Council Meeting 1/19/21@ 7:30 PM

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