

**MINUTES**  
**Village of Evendale**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**August 10, 2021**

A public hearing was held for the purpose of AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION 1266.09(h)(1)(B)(ii), ACCESSORY USES AND STRUCTURES, FENCES AND WALLS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mark Hicks, Cincinnati Pool and Patio attended and answered questions from council regarding his experience and data regarding automatic pool covers. The state of Ohio now allows local zoning to regulate the type of pool cover and/or fencing. Mr. Hicks has been installing automatic pool covers for over fifteen years. Mr. Hicks explained the process and approval of automatic pool retractable covers. Material was emailed to council members with information on covers. This is for specific automatic retractable pool cover that is being considered.

A public hearing was held for the purpose of AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART TWELVE, TITLE OUR, OF THE EVENDALE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO DEFINE AND REGULATE DISCOUNT RETAIL, PAWN RETAIL, THRIFT RETAIL, AND SELF-STORAGE WAREHOUSE USES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. There were no comments. Motion to close the public hearing was made by Mr. Puthoff and seconded by Mr. Sextro.

The Village of Evendale Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Richard Finan at 7:00 pm.

**Roll call-** The following council members were present: Mayor Richard Finan, Council Members: Mr. Puthoff, Mr. Albrinck, Mr. Sextro, Ms. Smiley-Robertson, Ms. McDaniel and Mr. Schaefer. Also present: CFO Cynthia Caracci, Village Law Director Tim Burke, Chief Hauck, Chief Korte, Kim Pielage, James Jeffers and Village Clerk, Barb Rohs.

Captain Graham took the oath for his position of Captain for the fire department.

The mayor presented proclamation to Joe Asbrock for his thirty-two years of service with the VOE police department.

The mayor presented proclamation to Mark Bond for the service with the OHTF1 and the search and rescue in Surfside Florida.

Sue Hare, ED of iSPACE addressed council to introduce iSPACE and the collaboration with GHF on the UAW property. The building is owned by Soil and Stars and rented to GHF and iSPACE for programming. iSPACE provides engaging STEM programs to schools, families and community to the greater Cincinnati region. It serves educations and students through camps, virtual and classroom programming. iSPACE looks forward to developing partnerships with VOE and GHF.

A motion was made to accept the committee minutes from July and August and the council minutes from June and July was made by Ms. Smiley-Roberson and seconded by Mr. Puthoff and unanimously approved. At the council meeting in July 2021, this action was missed.

**Reports of Council Committees:**

**Finance, Recreation, GHF:**

Mr. Albrinck reported that tax receipts for July were \$978,373.78 which is down from last year by \$305,478.10. Year to date receipts are \$8,615,906.65, down from prior year by \$985,936.18. Overall receipts still exceed expenditures by \$1,887.57 – not including TIF funds. The Village has a future operating surplus of \$18,582,995.67 which exceeds the one-year operating reserve goal. Operating costs (which do not include capital expenditures) are typically around \$14 million/year.

GHF visitors and membership remain high. Row by Row is August 21 and sold out. Sunflower festival is Oct 2/3.

Recreation Department reported 181 participated in Conquer the Hill virtual walk/run. VOE Eagles won the swim team championships.

Service department reported the founders pavilion wall is being repaired. I-75 still is complete but with a substantial punch list. Pipeline installation continues and is a few months from completion.

**Police, Fire, Service, Engineering and CAC:**

Ms. Smiley-Robertson reported the fire department will be having a hiring committee on August 24<sup>th</sup> for vacant positions. HC is recommending facemask in their building. Ms. Smiley-Robertson went over the case # in HC. 50% of Ohio is vaccinated and 51% of Hamilton County. October 2<sup>nd</sup> the VOE will be lit up in red for Fallen Fire Fighters.

Police department and council committee held a Use of Force discussion and review policy and procedures. Chief Korte distributed reported a showing # of cases- 2/2019, 0/2020  
Mayors Report: 1/2021. A report is generated and actions reviewed by supervisor and chief. All officers are required to wear and turn on their body cameras. Chief reviews body cams on a random basis. Training for officers and procedures for Use of Force was presented to council committee.

CAC Big Art Party was success with 300 attendees. Classes and programing for CAC are selling out.

Building Planning and Zoning reported a 3<sup>rd</sup> permit was issued for Mohler Woods development. Mr. Burke met with owner of Homers and property violations were discussed. Mr. Burke stated the Homer property has a contract to demolish the building.

Mr. Puthoff congratulated Susan Gordy for the Hold the Line art show and it professionalism and depth of artist.

Mayor Finan reminded council of August 11 meeting to discuss capital expenses. Landmark has agreed to pay for sink hole repairs. ICRC will be holding candidate interviews.

Mayor Finan would like discussion on mask wearing in council meetings. Mr. Schaefer feels if people want to wear a mask has the right to wear a mask. He does not feel we should mandate mask wearing. Chief Hauck department is following HC guidelines. Ms. Smiley-Robertson feels we should follow how COVID is treading for next months meeting. Since meetings are open to the public and we are putting unnecessary exposure on each other and employees and feels we should go back to mask wearing.

#### **Presentation of ordinances and resolutions:**

**The mayor presented** ORD #21- 46 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION 1266.09(h)(1)(B)(ii), ACCESSORY USES AND STRUCTURES, FENCES AND WALLS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD #21-46 by title only was made by Mr. Albrinck, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and unanimously approved on roll call. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

**The mayor presented** ORD #21-47 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART TWELVE, TITLE FOUR, OF THE EVENDALE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO DEFINE AND REGULATE DISCOUNT RETAIL, THRIFT RETAIL, PAWN RETAIL, AND SELF-STORAGE WAREHOUSE USES. A motion to read ORD #21-47 by title only was made by Ms. McDaniel, seconded by Mr. Sextro and unanimously approved on roll call. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

**The mayor presented** ORD #21-48  
ORDINANCE APPROVING GRANTING CONSENT TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY TO, APPLY, MAINTAIN AND REPAIR STANDARD LONGITUDINAL PAVEMENT MARKINGS AND ERECT REGULATORY AND WARNING SIGNS ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE VILLAGE CORPORATE LIMITS, AND GIVING CONSENT OF THE VILLAGE FOR THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PERFORM MAINTENANCE AND/OR REPAIR ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE THE VILLAGE CORPORATION. A motion to read ORD #21-48 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Albrinck and unanimously approved. A motion to adopt ORD #21-50 was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #21-50 adopted.

**The mayor presented** ORD #21-50 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AEROHUB TIF FUND FOR ENGINEERING TESTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD #21-50 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Sextro and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #21-50 was made by Mr. Sextro seconded by Mr. Puthoff and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #21-50 was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Mr. Albrinck and unanimously approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #21-50 adopted as an emergency.

**The mayor presented** ORD# 21-51 ORDINANCE MAKING AN APPROPRIATION IN THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN/CARES ACT FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND TRANSFERRING ALLOWABLE COSTS TO THE FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD #21-51 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Sextro and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #21-51 was made by Mr. Sextro seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #21-51 was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #21-51 adopted as an emergency.

**The mayor presented** ORD# 21-52 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE HAMILTON COUNTY TAX INCREMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE (TIRC) RECOMMENDATION TO CONTINUE THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA (CRA) AGREEMENT, WITH NO MODIFICATIONS, BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF EVENDALE AND BRAKEFIRE INC. DBA SILCO FIRE AND SECURITY (SILCO) . A motion to read ORD #21-52 by title only was made by Mr. Albrinck, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #21-52 was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson seconded by Mr. Puthoff and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #21-52 was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #21-52 adopted.

**The mayor presented** ORD. # 21-53 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO HIRE ALLISON BISHOP NASSER AS A PART-TIME RECREATION PROGRAMMER FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD #21-53 by title only was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Sextro and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #21-53 was made by Mr. Sextro seconded by Mr. Albrinck and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Sextro and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #21-53 was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Albrinck and unanimously approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #21-53 adopted as an emergency.

**The mayor presented** ORD. #21-54 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AEROHUB TIF FUND FOR SINK HOLE REPAIR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD #21-54 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Sextro and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #21-54 was made by Mr. Sextro seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #21-54 was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #21-54 adopted as an emergency.

**The mayor presented** ORD. #21-55 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF AMOUNTS DUE UPON CERTAIN CONTRACTS REQUIRING CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD #21-55 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #21-55 was made by Mr. Sextro seconded by Mr. Albrinck and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #21-55 was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #21-55 adopted as an emergency.

**Other Business:**

A motion to close the meeting was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

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Mayor

Attest:

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Village Clerk