

**VILLAGE OF GREENHILLS**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JANUARY 22, 2019 | 7:00 P.M.**  
**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Present were Councilmembers Glenn Drees, Jeff Halter, Melanie Hermes, Jack Lee, Natasha Metz and Maria Waltherr. Also present were Municipal Manager Evonne Kovach, Police Chief Neil Ferdelman, Fire Chief Tony Spaeth and Acting Clerk of Council David Lumsden.

**MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION/PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Following a prayer led by Ms. Waltherr, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY THE GREENHILLS POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS**

On January 15, 2019, an elderly resident in the I section fell outdoors and injured her leg. She was unable to move and attempted to attract attention by screaming and yelling. Michael Roach, a resident from the B section of the Village, was nearby and was able to come to her aid. He contacted 911 and waited for help to arrive, potentially saving her life and avoiding a tragic situation.

Chief of Police Neil Ferdelman and Chief Tony Spaeth of the Greenhills Fire Department presented a certificate of appreciation and commendation to Mr. Roach for his actions.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the December 11, 2018 Regular Meeting and January 8, 2019 Work Session were approved as submitted.

**CITIZENS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**

Monique Maisenhalter, 154 Junefield, expressed concerns over the safety of 5G wireless infrastructure. She also encouraged Council to support HR 530 in the US House of Representatives.

Anna Steele, 175 Junefield, expressed support for Ms. Maisenhalter's position.

Todd Bricker, 2 January, agreed with the previous speakers. He also thanked the Village for the removal of snow around fire hydrants.

**REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

**Municipal Manager – Evonne Kovach**

Ms. Kovach presented her report. She reported that the Greenhills Service Department worked long hours over the previous two weekends to remove snow and ice from Village streets. She thanked them for their hard work and reminded residents to remove any

vehicles they may have parked on the street during winter weather events in order to make plowing easier and more effective.

Meetings have been held for property owners located in the potential new local historic district. The next meeting is scheduled for January 29<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Kovach thanked the Greenhills Community Church Presbyterian for allowing the Village to utilize their facilities for the meetings.

Changes have been made to the operating hours of the Greenhills Swimming Pool for the 2019 season. These changes were suggested by a pool member last season. During the season, the pool will close at 7:00 p.m. every Sunday. Mid-August, the pool will be open weekday evenings from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Village will begin use of a warning sticker for garbage violations placed in the right-of-way. This will allow for timely notice to the property owner or tenant, as well as inform surrounding residents that the issue is being addressed.

The Recreation and Services Survey remains open through January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Entryway signage has been installed. Ms. Kovach expressed thanks to the First Baptist Church for their cooperation in placing the sign on their property. A stone base will be installed in the Spring around this sign.

Beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>, the monthly fee for waste & recycling collection will be increased \$0.40.

An advertisement was placed in the Greenhills Journal offering a \$10 savings off a golf or pool membership.

#### Law Director – Jeffrey Forbes

Mr. Forbes presented his report. He summarized the outcome of the passage of HB 228 and its impact on municipal preemptions. He also provided a summary to Council related to the case *Andwan v. Village of Greenhills*, currently in the Hamilton County Court of Appeals.

Mr. Forbes summarized existing laws related to municipal control over the installation of wireless towers and infrastructure in the Village of Greenhills.

#### Acting Clerk of Council – David Lumsden

Mr. Lumsden presented his report. Resolutions 2018-42, 43 & 44 were posted as required. January Community Calendar was also posted.

#### Chief of Police – Neil Ferdelman

Chief Ferdelman presented his report.

Chief Ferdelman expressed his sympathies for officers killed in the line of duty in 2019.

Officer Zzach Clark received the Clarence “Cid” Caesar Award for Investigative Excellence for his work in stopping a multi-state crime spree. His investigation covered thousands of dollars of stolen merchandise.

Shop with a Cop 2019 helped make the 2019 holiday season bright for 5 local Greenhills children.

A suspect has been charged in a Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> attempted robbery that resulted in shots being fired in the parking lot of the Community Church Presbyterian on Cromwell Road. Police canvassed the neighborhood and discovered the victim. The suspect was arrested in Fairfield following a different incident.

Officer Cody Ritchie noticed a stolen SUV travelling along Winton Road and, following a high-speed pursuit, was able to arrest the teenage driver. The SUV was stolen from Mt. Healthy after the owner left it unattended to warm up in the morning. Chief Ferdelman reminded residents they should not leave a running car unattended and unlocked.

Chief Ferdelman gave some important tips about preparing for winter weather from the Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency.

During the month of December, the department investigated nine accidents (up from four in December of 2017), six crimes (up from five last December), and 419 other incidents (up from 173 last December). Of a total of 605 contacts (481 last December), 334 were dispatched or received by telephone as compared to 201 last December, and 271 were self-initiated by police officers as compared to 280 last December. The department provided assistance to the public in 94 instances (119 times last December), assisted other agencies 31 times (up from 23 times last December), and made 43 criminal arrests (compared to 40 last December) and 46 traffic arrests (31 last December). Each crime was analyzed for geographic, temporal, and other factors.

#### Mayor – David Moore, Court Receipts

The court receipts for the months of November and December were as follows:

	<u>State of Ohio</u>	<u>Hamilton County</u>	<u>Village of Greenhills</u>
November:	\$1362.00	\$51.00	\$6623.00
December:	\$1487.00	\$49.50	\$5799.90

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### Recreation and Cable Television – Maria Waltherr

Ms. Waltherr presented her report. A meeting of staff and volunteers for Harvest Fest 2019 was held. The decision was made to relocate the Harvest Fest event to the Greenhills Commons.

Ms. Waltherr also extended her thanks to the Greenhills Service Department for their work to keep our streets clean.

##### Inter-Governmental Affairs, Laws and Rules – Jack Lee

A meeting of the Committee has been scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup>, tentatively due to limited agenda items.

Safety – Melanie Hermes

Ms. Hermes presented her report. The next Committee meeting has been scheduled for March 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

Ms. Hermes also thanked the Greenhills Service Department for their hard work.

Community Development – Jeff Halter

Mr. Halter presented his report. The Committee met January 17<sup>th</sup>. Signage projects were discussed, including the entryway signs, street signs and the Shopping Center monument sign.

Finance and Audit – Glenn Drees

Mr. Drees presented his report. The 2018 financials are being finalized. No Committee meeting is scheduled at this time.

The Fire Dependency Fund board has met, and the paperwork has been completed and submitted.

Services and Streets – Natasha Metz

Ms. Metz presented her report. The bid for grass mowing and landscaping has been received and is on the agenda for this meeting. The service garage siding is being replaced.

The Service Line Warranty program has been determined to be less beneficial than hoped and will not be implemented.

The next Committee meeting has been scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m.

**OLD BUSINESS**ORDINANCE 2018-10-L&R (2<sup>nd</sup> Read)

*Ordinance Amending Section 121.01 of the Village of Greenhills Codified Ordinances Regarding Rule 12 of the Rules of Council (Lee)*

Mr. Lee read the Ordinance in its entirety and moved to adopt it as submitted. Ms. Walther seconded. No discussion. The Ordinance passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

**NEW BUSINESS**RESOLUTION 2019-01-F

*Resolution Making Supplemental Appropriations and Transfers (Drees)*

Mr. Drees read the Resolution in its entirety and moved to adopt it as submitted. Ms. Walther seconded. These transfers have been approved by the Hamilton County Auditor for budget year 2018. The Resolution passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2019-02-S&S

*Resolution Authorizing the Municipal Manager to Enter into an Agreement with GroundsPRO for Landscaping Services (Metz)*

Ms. Metz read the Resolution in its entirety and moved to adopt it as submitted. Ms. Waltherr seconded. The Resolution passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2019-03-F

*Resolution Adopting the 2019 Greenhills Fee Schedule (Drees)*

Mr. Drees read the Resolution in its entirety and moved to adopt it as submitted. Ms. Waltherr seconded. The only change for the 2019 fee schedule is the removal of the fee for "Winton Road banner". The Resolution passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2019-04-L&R

*Resolution Authorizing the Village Clerk to Forward to the Greenhills Planning Commission a Proposed Amendment to the Greenhills Zoning Code Regarding the Definition of a Channel Letter (Lee)*

Mr. Lee read the Resolution in its entirety and moved to adopt it as submitted. Mr. Halter seconded. Ms. Kovach explained the process for the amendment to the Zoning Code. The Resolution passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

**CALENDAR**

Laws & Rules Committee meeting – January 28, 2019, 9:00 a.m., Municipal Building

Council Retreat – March 9, 2019, Municipal Building

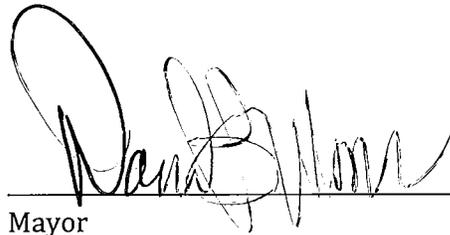
Recreation Committee meeting – March 4, 2019, 9:00 a.m., Municipal Building

Services & Streets Committee meeting – March 19, 2019, 9:00 a.m., Municipal Building

Safety Committee meeting – March 26, 2019, 5:30 p.m., Municipal Building

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business pending, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.



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Mayor



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Clerk of Council