

**MINUTES OF MEETING
INDIAN HILL VILLAGE COUNCIL
December 1, 2015**

An organizational meeting of the Village Council was held on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 7:30 a.m. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers of the Village Administration Building.

Officials present:

Mr.	Daniel J. Feigelson, Mayor
Mr.	Mark D. Kuenning, Vice-Mayor
Mr.	John B. Armstrong, Council member
Mrs.	Molly R. Barber, Council member
Mr.	Melissa S. Cowan, Council member
Mr.	Donald C. McGraw, Council member
Mrs.	Abbot A. Thayer, Council member
Ms.	Dina C. Minneci, City Manager
Mr.	Donald L. Crain, City Solicitor
Mr.	Paul C. Riordan, Clerk/Comptroller

Visitors present:

Mr.	Jason Adkins, 6525 Drake Road
Mr.	Steve Ashbrock, 6475 Drake Road
Mrs.	Robin Armstrong, 4630 Drake Road
Mrs.	Jodi Feigelson, 5025 Miami Road
Mr.	Keith Rabenold, 8410 Old Stable Road
Mrs.	Laura Raines, 7230 Algonquin Drive
Mr.	Chuck Schlie, 6525 Drake Road
Mr.	Jon West, 6525 Drake Road

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Don Crain administered the oath of office to Council members elect; Mr. Dan Feigelson, Mr. Mark Kuenning, Mr. John Armstrong, Mrs. Molly Barber, Mrs. Melissa Cowan, Mr. Don McGraw and Mr. Abbot Thayer.

Council member Feigelson entertained a motion for a Council member to be nominated to act as the President Pro tem. Council member Kuenning made a motion that Vice-Mayor Feigelson be nominated to serve as President Pro tem. The nomination was seconded by Council member Thayer and was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Council member Feigelson, acting as the President of Council Pro tem, called the meeting to order. Council member Feigelson called for nominations for Mayor. Council member Kuenning nominated Council member Feigelson to be Mayor of the Village of Indian Hill for the next two year term. The motion was seconded by Council member Barber. The nominations were closed and Council member Feigelson was elected Mayor by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Feigelson called for nominations for Vice Mayor. Council member Barber nominated Council member Kuenning for the position of Vice Mayor for the next two year term. The motion was seconded by Council member Thayer and was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council member Barber made a motion that the appointments to the standing committees as listed below be approved. The motion was seconded by Council member Thayer and was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Finance Committee

Mark Kuenning – Chairperson
Molly Barber – Member
Don McGraw – Member
Dan Feigelson – Ad hoc
(Dina Minneci, Jon West, Paul Riordan & Scott Gully)

Buildings & Grounds Committee

Melissa Cowan – Chairperson
Mark Kuenning – Member
John Armstrong – Member
(Dina Minneci, Jon West, George Kipp & Jason Adkins)

Law Committee

John Armstrong – Chairperson
Melissa Cowan – Member
Abbot Thayer – Member
Dan Feigelson – Ad hoc
(Dina Minneci, Jon West & Don Crain)

Public Works Committee

Molly Barber – Chairperson
Melissa Cowan – Member
Don McGraw – Member
(Dina Minneci, Jon West, George Kipp & Jason Adkins)

Safety Committee

Don McGraw – Chairperson
Molly Barber – Member
Abbot Thayer – Member
(Dina Minneci, Jon West, Col. Schlie & Chief Ashbrock)

Water Works & Deregulation Committee

Dan Feigelson – Chairperson
Mark Kuenning – Member
John Armstrong – Member
(Dina Minneci, Jon West, George Kipp & Jason Adkins)

Council Representative to Planning Commission

Abbot Thayer – Member

Council Representative to Recreation Commission

Don McGraw – Member

Council Representative to MIHJFD Board

Dan Feigelson – Member

Council Representative to OKI

John Armstrong

Council Representative to GAAC

Melissa Cowan – Member

Overall Council Assignments

Mr. Armstrong – Law Chairperson, Buildings & Grounds & Water Works/Deregulation (OKI Representative)
Mrs. Barber – Public Works Chairperson, Public Safety & Finance
Mrs. Cowan – Buildings & Grounds Chairperson, Law & Public Works (GAAC representative)
Mr. Feigelson – Water Works/Deregulation Chairperson, Finance (ad hoc) & Law (ad hoc) (MIHJF Representative)
Mr. Kuenning – Finance Chairperson, Buildings & Grounds & Water Works/Deregulation
Mr. McGraw – Public Safety Chairperson, Finance & Public Works
Mr. Thayer – Planning Commission Representative, Public Safety & Law

**A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO
KEITH M. RABENOLD FOR HIS SERVICE TO
THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF INDIAN
HILL** was presented and read.

WHEREAS, Keith M. Rabenold has served as Mayor of Indian Hill from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2015; and a member of Council from December 1, 2007 to November 30, 2015;

WHEREAS, Keith M. Rabenold has served as Vice-Mayor of Indian Hill from December 1, 2011 to November 30, 2013;

WHEREAS, Keith M. Rabenold has served as the chairperson of the Buildings & Grounds Committee December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2015 and as a member of the Buildings & Grounds Committee December 1, 2007 to November 30, 2015;

WHEREAS, Keith M. Rabenold has served as a member on the Water Works & Deregulation Committee December 1, 2007 to November 30, 2011;

WHEREAS, Keith M. Rabenold has served as a member on the Finance Committee December 1, 2011 to November 30, 2015;

WHEREAS, Keith M. Rabenold has served as the Council Representative to the Indian Hill Recreation Commission December 1, 2007 to November 30, 2015;

WHEREAS, Keith M. Rabenold has served as the chairperson of the Law Committee from December 1, 2007 to November 30, 2013 and a member on the Law Committee from December 1, 2007 to November 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Keith M. Rabenold has retired from Council, and it is appropriate to recognize his valued service to Indian Hill;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE
VILLAGE OF INDIAN HILL, STATE OF OHIO:**

Section 1. That there be spread upon the records of the City of the Village of Indian Hill this Resolution of special thanks and sincere appreciation to Keith M. Rabenold for his passionate, genuine, and valuable service as a Council Member of the City of the Village of Indian Hill during the eight years from December 1, 2007 to November 30, 2015.

Section 2. That a copy of this resolution be given to Keith M. Rabenold in recognition of his fine contribution of time, effort, and leadership given in the interest of the City of the Village of Indian Hill and to its residents.

PASSED: December 1, 2015

Daniel J. Feigelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Paul C. Riordan, Clerk

Mayor Feigelson said that retiring Mayor Keith M. Rabenold's service to the Village of Indian Hill has been significant and will be long-lasting. He helped the Village deal with

significant shifting economic environment brought on by the great recession, the elimination of the estate tax and a potential significant impact of House Bill 5. He was involved in the selection and hiring of the new City Manager and the Assistant City Manager due to the retirement of Mike Burns and Dave Couch. He also helped the Village Council through contract negotiations, construction and financing of the new Administration facilities and most recently the planning for the new fire station. Mayor Feigelson said that Mr. Rabenold had stated that he understands the important role that Council plays in preserving the character and rural atmosphere of the Village and he looked forward to making a meaningful contribution to the Village and its residents by serving in such capacity. Mayor Feigelson said that it is safe to say that Mr. Rabenold has fulfilled those roles with great care, stewardship, and leadership. Mayor Feigelson said that on behalf of a grateful and appreciative community that Mr. Rabenold is thanked for his dedication and service. Retiring Mayor Rabenold was presented with a copy of the Resolution.

Upon motion by Mayor Feigelson, seconded by Council member Kuenning, the Resolution was passed by unanimous voice vote. Mayor Feigelson declared Resolution **14-15** adopted.

**A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO
LAURA S. RAINES FOR HER SERVICE TO
THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF INDIAN
HILL, OHIO** was presented and read.

WHEREAS, Laura S. Raines has served as a member of Council from December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2015;

WHEREAS, Laura S. Raines served as the chairperson of the Law Committee from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2015 and a member on the Law Committee from December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2015

WHEREAS, Laura S. Raines served as a member on the Planning Commission from December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2011;

WHEREAS, Laura S. Raines served as a member on the Buildings & Grounds Committee from December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2015;

WHEREAS, Laura S. Raines served as the Council Representative to the Madeira & Indian Hill Joint Fire District from December 1, 2011 to November 30, 2013;

WHEREAS, Laura S. Raines served as the chairperson of the Public Safety Committee from December 1, 2011 to November 30, 2013 and a member on the Safety Committee from December 1, 2011 to November 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Laura S. Raines has retired from Council, and it is appropriate to recognize her valued service to Indian Hill;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE**

**VILLAGE OF INDIAN HILL, STATE OF
OHIO:**

Section 1. That there be spread upon the records of the City of the Village of Indian Hill this resolution of special thanks and sincere appreciation to Laura S. Raines for her passionate, genuine, and valuable service as a Council Member of the City of the Village of Indian Hill during the six years from December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2015.

Section 2. That a copy of this resolution be given to Laura S. Raines in recognition of her fine contribution of time, effort, and leadership given in the interest of the City of the Village of Indian Hill and to its residents.

PASSED: December 1, 2015

Daniel J. Feigelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Paul C. Riordan, Clerk

Mayor Feigelson said that retiring Council member Laura S. Raines always had a deep appreciation of the deep connection that the history of horses has had for Indian Hill. She has worked diligently to preserve the Indian Hill trail system and has been a member of the Camargo Hunt and Bridle Trails Advisory committee. She will be remembered for her ability to attack sometimes “tricky” topics “head-on” She is one not to be known as simply a follower of the pack. Laura often brought in a fresh insight to conversations which most often resulted in a better more vetted outcome. Her mater-of-fact reasoning was a strength that will be missed on Council. Mayor Feigelson said that on behalf of Council and an appreciative community she is thanked for her dedicated services.

Upon motion by Mayor Feigelson, seconded by Council member Barber, the Resolution was passed by unanimous voice vote. Mayor Feigelson declared Resolution **15-15** adopted.

Council member Kuenning made a motion confirming the appointment of Council member Abbot Thayer to the City of the Village of Indian Hill Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Council member Cowan and was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council member Cowan made a motion naming Council member John Armstrong as Council representative to the Ohio Kentucky Indiana (OKI) Regional Council of Government’s Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Council member Thayer and was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council member Barber made a motion naming Council member Melissa Cowan as chairperson of the Buildings and Grounds committee and Council representative to the Green Areas Advisory Committee. The motion was seconded by Council member Thayer and was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council member Armstrong made a motion naming Council member Don McGraw as Council representative to the Indian Hill Recreation Commission. The motion was seconded by Council member Barber and was carried unanimous voice vote.

The 2016 Council Goal Session was set for January 20, 2016 at 7:30 am in Council Chambers.

April 24, 2016 was set as the New Residents' Party.

Ms. Minneci distributed informational Council books, including the 2016 meeting and committee calendars to each Council member.

There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor Rabenold declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel J. Feigelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Paul C. Riordan, Clerk