

ORDINANCE NO. 2019 - 7

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE UNCLAIMED FUNDS ACCOUNT, THE BUILDING HAZARD ABATEMENT FUND, AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY APPRECIATION FUND

WHEREAS, the Village from time to time receives or collects monies which are otherwise required to be paid out according to law, such as when funds are received and by law required to be returned to a person who cannot be found or when the Village has issued checks which have not been properly cashed and become stale; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Auditor has recommended that consistent with Ohio law the Village establish an Unclaimed Funds Account to which such funds will be deposited and ultimately forfeited to the Village General Fund; and

WHEREAS, Council did adopt Ordinance No. 2019-4, *An Ordinance Establishing Obligations of Owners of Vacant Buildings*, which legislation allowed for the deposit of vacant building licensing fees to the Building Hazard Abatement Fund, and Council does desire to establish such Fund and the parameters for which monies can be spent from such Fund.

NOW THEREFORE, Be It Ordained by the Council of the Village of Golf Manor, Hamilton County, Ohio, that:

SECTION I. There is hereby established an Unclaimed Funds Account to which shall be deposited funds which by definition under Ohio law are unclaimed funds which the Village owes to a person or entity, but for some reason that person or entity has not accepted the money or cannot be located. Funds deposited to such account shall remain on deposit for a period of five (5) years allowing an opportunity for the funds to be properly claimed. If the funds remain unclaimed after such period of time, consistent with the process under Ohio law, such funds shall be forfeited and appropriated to the General Fund of the Village. Periodically as requested by Council or the Finance Committee of Council, the Village Fiscal Officer shall give an accounting for such funds.

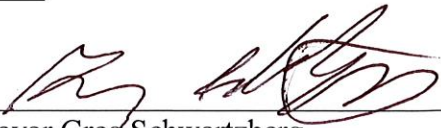
SECTION II. There is hereby established the Building Hazard Abatement Fund as recognized by Ordinance No. 2019-4, *An Ordinance Establishing Obligations of Owners of Vacant Buildings*. The licensing and application fees for vacant buildings received by the Village shall be deposited to such Fund and may be appropriated from time to time to offset the cost of enforcement and/or to allow the Village to intervene when such building is declared to be a nuisance to appropriately secure such property to preserve the public health, safety and welfare.

SECTION III. There is hereby established the Public Safety Appreciation Fund to receive gifts and donations to thank and support our public safety services,

particularly law enforcement. Expenditures from the Fund must be made specifically to support public safety within the Village. Any contribution of tangible personal property or real property must be specifically accepted by Council.

SECTION IV. This Ordinance shall take effect the earliest opportunity as allowable by law.

PASSED this 13th day of May, 2019.



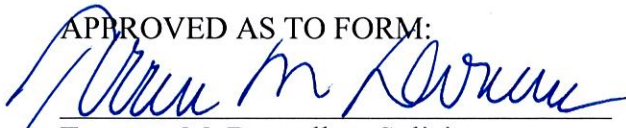
Mayor Greg Schwartzberg

ATTEST:



Anna Gedeon, Assistant Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Terrence M. Donnellon, Solicitor