

ORDINANCE NO. 935-21
VILLAGE OF TONTOGANY, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE PAINTING OR OTHER TAMPERING WITH
FIRE HYDRANTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Village of Tontogany, Ohio, is a statutory Village located in Wood County, Ohio, with powers of local self-government pursuant to Ohio Constitution Article XVIII, Section 3, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Tontogany maintains and monitors the fire hydrants located in the Village, and

WHEREAS, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has issued recommendations for standard fire hydrant colors based on flow rate, supply system and type of hydrant, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that Village fire hydrants are uniform in appearance and readily identifiable to fire-fighting agencies to ensure safe and effective responses to fire emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Tontogany, Wood County, Ohio, that:

Section 1: No person, other than employees of the Village of Tontogany or unless under the direction of the Fire Chief, shall, in any manner, tamper with, obstruct, cause to be obstructed, paint or otherwise discolor or disfigure any fire hydrant located in the Village of Tontogany.

Section 2: Whoever violates this ordinance shall be guilty of an unclassified misdemeanor and shall be fined not less than \$500, up to \$1,000, and further shall be responsible for the costs to repair any damage to the fire hydrant.

Section 3: This ordinance shall be codified at Section 131.36, Ohio Basic Code.

Section 4: The Village Fiscal Officer shall, upon passage of this Ordinance, notify American Legal Publishing Corporation, publisher of the Ohio Basic Code, of this legislation, and shall publish the Ordinance as required by law.

Section 5: This measure is an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the Village and its residents for the reason that immediate implementation of this ordinance will prevent the defacing of village hydrants, done so in anticipation of the effective date of the prohibitions set forth herein.

Section 6: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any other committees that results in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Vote on Emergency: 6 Yeas 0 Nays 0 Abstentions

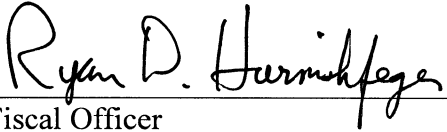
Vote on passage: 6 Yeas 0 Nays 0 Abstentions

Passed this 19TH day of JULY, 2021.



President of Council

ATTEST:



Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:



Mayor