

ORDINANCE NO. 183

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR BIENNIAL VILLAGE ELECTIONS IN SEPTEMBER OF ODD-NUMBERED YEARS; TO PROVIDE STAGGERED FOUR-YEAR TERMS OF OFFICE FOR VILLAGE OFFICIALS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN TERMS OF OFFICE IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THE STAGGERING OF TERMS PURSUANT TO STATE LAW.

THE VILLAGE OF OTISVILLE ORDAINS:

Section 1. Biennial September Elections.

Commencing with the Village election in 2005, all elections for Village offices shall be held in September of odd-numbered years.

Section 2. President Term of Office.

The term of office for the Village President shall be four years. The next election for Village President shall be in 2005.

Section 3. Council Terms of Office.

The regular terms of office of the six Village Council Members shall be four years and shall be staggered. In order to accomplish the staggering of terms, three Council Members shall be elected in 2005 for four-year terms. Three Council Members shall be elected in 2007 for four-year terms.

Section 4. Extension of Terms of Office.

In order to comply with the change in election dates mandated by state statute, the current terms of office of Village Officials are hereby extended in the following manner:

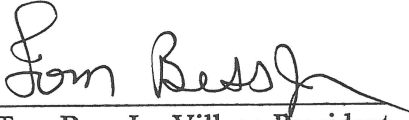
- a. The terms of office of the three Village Council Members elected in March of 2003 for two-year terms are hereby extended to to the first regular council meeting held after the election in September of 2005.
- b. The terms of office of the three Village Council Members elected in March of 2004 are hereby extended to the first regular council meeting held after the election in September of 2007.
- c. The term of office for the Village President elected in March of 2003 for a two-year term is hereby extended to the first regular council meeting held after the election in September of 2005.

Section 5. Severance Clause.

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any clause, sentence or word, section or provision is declared void or unenforceable for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not effect any portion of the Ordinance other than that part or portion thereof.

Section 6. Approval

This Ordinance was approved by a vote of the Village Council, a quorum being present on the 20th day of December, 2004 and ordered published in three public places in the village within ten (10) days after its adoption.

  
Tom Bess Jr., Village President

  
Andrea Barden, Village Clerk