
**CITY OF CARLISLE COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
APRIL 26, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.
760 CENTRAL AVENUE, CARLISLE, OHIO**

Mayor Randy Winkler called the Carlisle, Ohio City Council Regular Meeting of Tuesday, April 26, 2022 to order in Council Chambers at the Carlisle City Hall building, 760 Central Avenue, Carlisle, Ohio. The meeting was opened at 7:03 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Mrs. Kim Bilbrey	present
Mrs. Debbie Kemper	present
Mr. William Bicknell	present
Mr. Michael Kilpatrick	present
Mr. Chris Stivers	present
Mr. Tim Humphries	present
Mayor Randy Winkler	present

Staff members present: City Manager Julie Duffy
 Finance Director Ryan Rushing
 Fire Chief Jeremy Lane
 Police Chief Will Rogers
 Clerk of Council Jennifer Harover

The minutes of April 12, 2022 were presented to Council for review. Mrs. Kemper made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick.

Roll Call:

Mrs. Bilbrey	yes
Mr. Kilpatrick	yes
Mrs. Kemper	yes
Mr. Stivers	yes
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mr. Bicknell	abstain
Mayor Winkler	yes

Minutes of April 12, 2022 were approved.

The minutes of Council's work session on April 12, 2022 were presented to Council for review. Mrs. Bilbrey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mrs. Kemper.

Roll Call:

Mrs. Kemper	yes
Mr. Bicknell	abstain
Mrs. Bilbrey	yes
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mr. Stivers	yes
Mr. Kilpatrick	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

The work session minutes of April 12, 2022 were approved.

Public Forum:

Mr. Martin Neal of 436 W. Lomar, Carlisle, approached Council. After midnight on Sunday, April 10th, his wife suffered an extreme allergic reaction. Within four minutes of it starting, she couldn't talk and was having trouble breathing. He is here to publicly thank the people who carried her through that night. We have a wonderful organization in JEMS. He has always known they were great but he never realized what quality people they had until that night. From the time he made the call to 9-1-1, they were there in a little over six minutes. Paramedic, Kim Kuntz, and EMT, Kenneth Mitchell, responded to his call. They came in the house and immediately took control of the situation. The paramedic gave great direction and everyone followed being very responsive to his wife's needs. They were able to get her loaded into the ambulance and on the way to Kettering's emergency room. During the trip, his wife quit breathing. He doesn't know what the normal is for JEMS, but if these two people are normal, then we have a wonderful organization serving this community. He also thanked Carlisle Police Officer, Andrew Gleason for his assistance that evening. He was very kind, sensitive, caring and considerate. Even he assisted the JEMS staff in physically positioning his wife so they could improve her breathing long enough to get her into the ambulance. Officer Gleason took the time to make sure that their home was secure before he left. He made sure that everything in the home was in order and did a wonderful job. He wanted to come and publicly thank these individuals for what they have done. Just a two minute delay and the outcome would have been catastrophically different. We should all be very pleased with our association with JEMS as well as being extremely pleased with our Carlisle Police force. Officer Gleason was an example of what we have in this town and we have the best. He has always been in favor of our people here in Carlisle and believes they are not paid what they are worth. In the past, he has lobbied that he does not believe our officers are paid what they are worth. If any effort is made to improve that situation, he will be working to make that happen. If JEMS ever needs support, you can bet that he will be out there making it happen. These are precious people and until you go through something like what happened to his wife, it is hard to realize all of the good that they do. Carlisle is a great town and we are associated with great people and great organizations.

Mayor Winkler thanked Mr. Neal for coming out this evening. Our first responders whether it be police, fire, or EMS, are invaluable. They don't always get the credit or praise that they deserve. He is glad that his wife is doing better and is glad that he came out tonight to share this experience. Mr. Neal explained that once they found out what triggered this reaction, they were able to clear it from their home. They were very lucky in being able to find the trigger as most allergic reactions are not easy to pin down. She had a reaction to a medication and they are now able to move forward. She is now doing much better.

Sheriff Larry Sims, Warren County Sheriff's Office came forward to give Council a review of 2021. He is happy to be following a resident's great experience with police, fire and EMS services. He is glad that he was here to be able to hear that story. He is here to give his annual report although he has missed the past couple of years due to the pandemic. He is happy to be back meeting in person with communities. For 14 years, he has made visiting communities his priority. He gave a handout to Council and explained there is not much "new" information. The pandemic initially squeezed the need for calls down as people were staying home and now calls for service are back near normal. He feels

blessed for the situations that they deal with in Warren County versus those in some neighboring counties and across the state. Last year, the Sheriff's Office did move into their new facility. Administrative offices moved the first weekend in October and the jail/clients moved over during the second week of October. There were over 300 people moved on a Friday in roughly 6.5 hours. It was a remarkable feat to see as they were well organized in getting everyone into their new areas. They are staying steady at about 300. There has been plenty of speculation whether the numbers will grow in that "if you build it, they will come" type of thing. Spring is now here and they expect some increases but not out of the ordinary. In past years, he spoke about their struggles with overcrowding in the jail and some getting released early to make room for others. He has spoken to several judges and believes that is made the county better about how to selectively put people in jail while also providing opportunities for others to get their lives back in order. He does not see these practices changing and hopes that their numbers stay relatively consistent. They have 499 beds versus the 280 before and they hope that those last for quite some time. The building is phenomenal. If anyone has not yet been in it, let him know and he will get a tour together. He knows that everyone will be impressed with the facility. Staff has been working through the typical issues of a new building but everyone is fairly settled now. He knows the Sheriff's Office has an invaluable relationship with their police agencies and he sees Carlisle's Chief frequently at meetings. He is happy to answer any specific questions that Council may have.

Mr. Humphries was there for paperwork not to long ago and realized that there is no officer on duty at the door working a metal detector. He assumes that must have been a savings to have that individual back in office or on the street versus being there daily. Sheriff Sims stated that the deputy still remains at the other building as they are there for court safety purposes. This has always been the situation and were never really needed for Sheriff's Office, they just happened to be housed in the same building.

Mr. Kilpatrick asked if he could talk about the trends happening in law enforcement within the county. Are there more arrests or more inmates in the jail. Sheriff Sims commented that currently, their inmate population is staying relatively steady, averaging 280 to 290 people in the jail for the past few years. A lot of that was due to not being able to go over the limit. They have been asking for increased jail space for some time. In 2008, the county commissioners made a decision to expand their probation electronic monitoring and work to expand their alternative sentencing program. As the jail population stayed relatively steady, the electronic monitoring or those on probation was closer to 1,300. Over the years, those programs have expanded and helped to stabilize our current jail population. Our county is unique to those larger ones to our north and south as we don't share a lot of their large-city criminal activity. We have our share of drug-related crimes and during the pandemic, that did not slow down but also did not get the media attention away from the pandemic. Our increase of crimes have been those related to the elderly such as fraud. Those types have become a constant. There has always been those types of fraud that take place within a family but now, these are even taking place overseas making them very hard to track. They try to put information out there to make people aware but you would be surprised at how many people still fall for it. Crimes currently are primarily related to property. In the areas along the I-75 corridor, where the largest population is, you will see more armed robberies. Their trafficking comes from those larger populated areas as well. That is basically the make-up of our county's crime.

Mayor Winkler thanked Sheriff Sims for coming this evening. He always enjoys seeing him every year. He asked him to be sure and pass along his thanks to the staff.

No other members of the public approached council. Mayor Winkler closed Public Forum.

Council Report:

Mrs. Bilbrey thanked Mr. Neal for sharing his heart-felt story with everyone and letting us know how responsive our first responders are. She is sure that to them it is an everyday thing but she wanted to thank the police, paramedic and EMT involved for taking such good care of our citizens. She thanked Sheriff Sims for coming tonight. She always enjoys hearing him speak. There is a summer crisis program that will help with payments for gas and electric services based on household income. It is a one-time payment for your utility bills. You can call the social services department at 513-217-2481. She also mentioned Family Literacy Night is Thursday, April 28th from 6:00pm – 7:00pm at the elementary school cafeteria. Families with preschoolers and incoming kindergarteners are invited to join. There will be a story walk, STEM activity, crafts, games and a book giveaway. Cub Pack Leader, Brian Stevens, has been approved by Dan Casson and Julie Duffy to donate a wildflower garden at Roscoe Roof Park. He had reached out to her and she sent him to Town Hall to get started. She believes they will be planting within the next few weeks on the backside of the far loop of the walking trail in the back of the park. There is a big field in the back and that is where the wildflowers will be planted. She is very excited about having that addition to the park.

Mrs. Kemper thanked Mr. Neal for taking the time to come and sharing his situation. His story really hit home with her as she had a similar situation with her parents and the service was also great. She is thankful that his wife is doing better and they were able to trace what she is allergic to. She appreciates him recognizing our police department and JEMS. She also thanked Sheriff Sims for coming in with his annual report. She sent out a thank you to all county deputy sheriffs that work for Warren County as well as the staff as they always do an amazing job. They had an amazing Meet & Greet this evening with Franklin Township and Carlisle School Board members. They have been working on getting together for two years and were finally able to make it happen. Traci Stivers and Julie Duffy made it possible for everyone to meet at the Franklin Township building. She thanked school officials and appreciates everyone coming together as a community. She thanked Mrs. Stivers for the tour of the Township building. She reminded everyone that the Lions Club Big T sale will be this Saturday. It will begin at 11:00am. On Tuesday, May 3rd is the primary election day for Ohio. There are some very important races going on and she encourages everyone to research the candidates.

Mr. Bicknell thanked Sheriff Sims for coming to speak tonight. He had received the information about Mr. Neal's wife from Chief Madden shortly after it happened. Out of all of the thankless jobs out there, our firefighters run towards burning buildings while we run away, paramedics and EMTs know how to stay calm and focuses while we are unknowing of what to do in emergencies with our loved ones. The calmness that they can bring to these situations cannot be put into words and what it means to the people going through it. To have a representative of our community who has been through this type of panic, to be able to come and speak about it so eloquently to put a visual in all of our minds is everlasting. This is a time to truly appreciate those jobs that a lot of us take for granted until we need it for ourselves or our loved ones. He is thankful that Carlisle has a good relationship with JEMS and that many of their employees are from Carlisle along with our volunteer fire department. He does not want them to ever think that we do not appreciate what they do for this community. Last week, before the JEMS board meeting, they toured Turtlecreek's new fire and EMS building to get some ideas and visuals of what they think they would like in this new building versus wants, needs and practicality.

Chief Madden and Chief Lane were both there. It is a very beautiful building and there were a lot of good ideas that were taken away. They are working on getting a tour through Germantown's facilities as the architect we have chosen is the same that did their building. This will give them a first-hand experience to see their work. There is a meeting this coming Monday to go over some things with the architect to keep them on schedule. We are not moving as fast as we would like to but we are moving at the correct pace to be sure that everything is logical.

Mr. Kilpatrick thanked Mrs. Stivers and Mrs. Duffy for setting up the Meet & Greet at the Township building. It was great to learn about the services that everyone provides to our community. He has seen some questions floating around social media about when it is okay to plant a garden. For any warm crops such as cucumbers, squash, and tomatoes, do not plant those until after May 15th when the chance of frost is gone. Everything else can be planted now at any time.

Mr. Stivers thanked Mr. Neal and Sheriff Sims for coming this evening. It is uplifting to see a citizen come and give thanks to any department. It just so happens that the first responders get the most thanks when issues happen but it is always nice to have citizen come with positive words. With social media, we get used to seeing so many negatives and complaints so it is nice to hear about something positive. This past Wednesday was the Warren County Municipal League dinner and Judge Tepe was the guest speaker. He spoke about Veterans court for Warren County and he was unaware of all that they do. Judge Tepe is a veteran and is very passionate about what he does. His court runs a program that will have a graduation on May 11th for those turning their lives around.

Mr. Humphries commented that of the meetings he attends, this room has some the best acoustics for the Pledge of Allegiance. He would imagine that Mr. Bicknell notices it more than anyone based on where he sits. He is envious of his seat placement as it must be warm and inviting to have everyone in the room facing his direction. He also attended the Warren County Municipal League and the Veteran division is quite impressive. We have some key people in Warren County, like Sheriff Sims, that just knock it out of the park. We are truly blessed. We have one of the most amazing groups of people when it comes to elected officials within Ohio. He thanked Traci Stivers for her hospitality. He urged everyone to be a bit less like "Karen" and a bit more like Mr. Neal, less negativity and more positive support.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Winkler commented that he also attended the Warren County Municipal League. A few months back, he had the pleasure of being invited by Judge Tepe to watch one of his Veteran courts. The way he interacts with the veterans who are struggling to get back on their feet is quite impressive. Even though he has his robe on in a professional manner, it is as if he is mentoring each one of them. He is easy on them when he can be but also tough on them when he has to be. It was very interesting to watch his court in action and it is always open to the public. Mr. Neal happens to be a very close friend to him as well as his wife. He is very thankful that everything turned out well in her situation. He appreciates him coming tonight and sharing his experience while speaking highly of our first responders. He cannot be more thankful for what they all did in his situation. When he talks about the services that the community provides, he explains that they don't ask for money for these services unless they need it but the equipment that these responders utilize every day is expensive. To train these individuals is also expensive. To get them the gear that they need is something close to \$3,000

for each fireman not counting all of the other equipment used on the job. When you see these folks out and about, be sure to thank them for what they do. The firemen in our community are all volunteers and we try to do the very best we can for them. All of our police officers have been with us now for quite some time and, evidently, they enjoy this community as much as we do. We appreciate all that they do for our community. JEMS and EMS are going to shortly be located here in Carlisle and the fire department will be housed in the same building with them. That will be a huge plus for our residents.

Manager's Report:

Mrs. Duffy gave kudos out to Traci Stivers for ultimately setting up the Meet & Greet tonight. She originally put it together a couple of years ago and then had to put it on pause due to the pandemic. She was the gracious host to get everyone together. It was great for all three entities to get together. We all serve this community and have our reasons to serve in our own realms. There are always opportunities to overlap as well as times to work side by side with each other. She has always had great opportunities to work side by side with members of all three entities and we do view ourselves as one large family. Having a good relationship between these different entities is not always the case in the other communities but this evening was a great representation of how well this community works together. This Saturday, our Police Department will be hosting the National Drug Take-Back Day. It will take place at the Police Station at 474 Fairview Drive from 10:00am – 2:00pm. Residents can bring their unused or expired prescriptions, vitamins or other medications. They can be in the original containers, baggies, boxes or other containers. If you have these items lying around your home and have been looking for a time to get rid of them, this will be the safe mechanism to do that. You should not put medications/prescriptions into the garbage, down the drain or flushed through the toilet as most medicines do not mix well with the refuse process or water systems. The safest way to dispose of these items is through this drug take-back process. This will be a drive-thru process so you do not even need to get out of your vehicle. Either on your way to grab your Big T or on your way home, you can swing through and drop off those prescriptions/medications. She thanked Chief Rogers and his staff for hosting this event. The Franklin-Springboro Public Library (of which Carlisle residents are included) has many upcoming summer activities. Many may think that a library only offers activities around books for the youth. However, there are many activities for kids, teens and even adults. For residents 18+ in age, Wednesday, May 4th at the Springboro branch, there will be a painted ladybug pot activity. The library does provide the materials and they just need to know that you are coming. You can find their registration information on their website. In June, there will be a glass cube flag activity as well as a heart windchime activity and illuminated fairy jar in Franklin for July. Adults are simply big kids so there is plenty of fun activities for everyone. These projects will be posted on our Facebook page. May 6th will be the deadline for nominations for this year's Chamber 45005 awards. This is the Franklin area chamber that does service our zip code. They have several openings of nominations including citizen of the year, business of the year, and a new award in honor of Ron Diver who was a strong supporter of the Carlisle and Franklin school systems, the Ron Diver Friend of Education award. This award will recognize an organization or individual who actively supports public education in the Franklin, Carlisle and Franklin Township areas. It is not for someone who is employed in a school system. Although teachers do a great job, they have their own recognition program through the county. The last award ceremony, Carlisle walked away with multiple awards and this year we have another strong base of those deserving of awards. May 6th is the deadline to register for that. There is a new opportunity with the Warren County Foundation. They have established a Warren County

Environmental Forum. The goal is to help develop and grow conservation funding as well as establish environmentally friendly practices. This forum is just beginning but it is about engaging the community in both giving as well as decision-making to support Warren County based businesses and community members through grants. It is a great start-up opportunity for those who want to get involved either as a donor member with voting rights or in other ways to support the forum.

Mrs. Kemper asked where individuals can apply for the Chamber 45005 award. Mrs. Duffy explained that there will be a link on our FB page to the Chamber 45005 website.

Committee Report:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Accept the resignation of Chad Cunningham from the Parks & Recreation Board.

Mayor Winkler commented that a letter of resignation had been received from Mr. Chad Cunningham for the Parks & Recreation Board. Mr. Kilpatrick made a motion to accept the resignation, seconded by Mrs. Kemper.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bicknell	yes
Mrs. Bilbrey	yes
Mr. Kilpatrick	yes
Mr. Stivers	yes
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mrs. Kemper	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

The resignation of Chad Cunningham from the Parks & Recreation Board has been accepted.

First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

ORD. 7-22 AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE REAPPROPRIATION/SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022, AMENDMENT NUMBER 2, AND IS ON AS A SINGLE READING.

Chief Jeremy Lane approached Council. He would like to bring Council up to speed on something that is happening within the City that is directly related to this legislation. Council may or may not be aware that there is a 1,000,000 gallon retention pond with a fire pump on Industry Drive. That fire pump supplies water as necessary to about eight fire hydrants on Industry Drive as well as four businesses – Refresco, Dra-Cool, the older portion of the Kitty Hawk Molding and the Braden Sutphin building. All four of those buildings are serviced by that fire pump for their fire sprinkler service. That fire pump is

checked by our service department on a weekly basis. Several weeks ago, it was found to be not working due to what they considered a catastrophic failure. The motor of the fire pump had some issues. We have notified those businesses and have them on fire watch. We have investigated the issue and have gone as far as hiring a professional diver to come out and check the water intact of any obstructions but it was clear. We do believe now that the pump is serviceable which is great news. The engine should be repairable but it will have a hefty price tag. The electric jockey pump which keeps the pressure in the well is no longer operable which is most likely the cause of the motor failure. There is also an electrical panel inside the pump house which will also need to be replaced. We are looking at an estimate from Ohio CAT to repair the engine that is approximately \$8,000. We have an estimate on the replacement of the jockey pump of approximately \$2,000. He does not yet have the number for the cost of the electrical panel replacement but he does not expect that to exceed \$1,000. There will also be labor costs to physically make these repairs. This would be an initial step to take money from the fire fund and apply towards these repair projects. The pump house was installed in 1984 when there was no domestic water supply available to Industry Drive. The businesses that were there needed to have a water supply for their fire suppression systems. The city was the one who put in that pump at that time. He is impressed that the fire pump has lasted as long as it has and is still serviceable. He believes this is an absolute necessary repair. There really aren't any other options at this point. They need to have the fire suppression systems up and running for these buildings. Their goal is to get this back in service as quickly as possible.

Mr. Humphries asked if there is any future plan of tying into City water and elevating the retention pond in the next ten years or so. Chief Lane stated that has been discussed between himself, Mrs. Duffy, Mr. Rushing and Mr. Casson. There are possibilities for that and they can most definitely not expect the current fire pump to last another ten to fifteen years. He thinks, with this repair, they could potentially get another several more years out of it. They will need to look at a long-term fix at some point. One option they have considered is a 24" water main that runs off of Lower Carlisle. There is a study being done now as to what it would take in both time and money to bring a portion of that line to replace the fire pump house completely. That would be the best option but not one without a significant price tag and could take several years to get that in place. Discussions are ongoing about how that could also benefit the community as well as any other possible options. This current fix is a "band-aid" and will only give us a running system for a short term. When they have more answers and possibilities, they will be bringing those to Council.

Mr. Kilpatrick stated he assumes there is a diesel engine that runs the pump. Chief Lane explained that there is an electric jockey pump that sits in the bottom of a 40' well. That jockey pump keeps a static pressure on that entire system going out to all of these buildings. When that system draws from that system and the pressure drops, the diesel motor kicks in, firing up the 20-gallon-per-minute pump and that is what feeds the system. The jockey pump keeps the static pressure in the system. They believe that during this failure, the jockey pump went bad, the pressure dropped causing the diesel engine to start and then it never stopped until it ran out of fuel. That is the best guess they have as to what caused the situation. There is nothing that they could have done to see that happening or to be notified of it happening. Mr. Kilpatrick asked if they will need to replace any of the packing. Chief stated that Ohio CAT recommended several components to the repairs of the engine, seals and gaskets. The motor will currently turn-over but it is not recommended to run it for any sustained amount of time until the repairs are made. Mr. Kilpatrick asked if it would be possible as part of the repairs to put some sort

of notification/monitoring system in place for this system. Chief explained that they have explored that option but it would be a fairly significant expense. Part of the electrical panel replacement for this system will have fail-safes built into it. There will be automatic sensors to shut-down so that this type of a failure would hopefully not happen again.

Mr. Stivers made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings, and have one reading by title only, seconded by Mrs. Bilbrey.

Roll Call:

Mr. Humphries	yes
Mrs. Kemper	yes
Mr. Bicknell	yes
Mr. Kilpatrick	abstain
Mr. Stivers	yes
Mrs. Bilbrey	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

With no further discussion, Mr. Bicknell made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Kemper.

Roll Call:

Mr. Kilpatrick	abstain
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mr. Bicknell	yes
Mr. Stivers	yes
Mrs. Kemper	yes
Mrs. Bilbrey	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

Ordinance passed on this day will be entered into Ordinance Record Book as Ord. 7-22.

Second and Third Readings of Ordinances and Resolutions:

RES. 4-22 A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO PROVIDE FOR THE LIGHTING OF THE STREETS, LANES AND OTHER PUBLIC WAYS IN THE CITY OF CARLISLE OHIO WITH ELECTRIC LIGHTING DURING THE YEAR 2021 AND AUTHORIZING THE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE COST AND EXPENSE THEREOF UPON ALL LOTS AND LANDS LYING AND BEING WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF SAID CITY – (3rd Reading).

Mayor Winkler asked if there were any discussion. Hearing none, Mr. Kilpatrick made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Bilbrey.

Roll Call:

Mr. Stivers	yes
Mrs. Kemper	yes
Mrs. Bilbrey	yes
Mr. Kilpatrick	yes
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mr. Bicknell	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

Resolution passed on this day will be entered into Resolution Record Book as Res. 4-22.

Mayor Winkler stated that this concludes the items on their agenda.

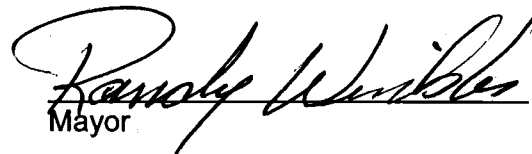
With no further business, Mr. Stivers made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick.

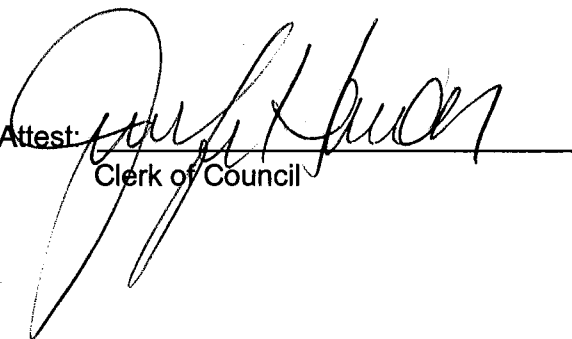
Roll Call:

Mr. Kilpatrick	yes
Mrs. Bilbrey	yes
Mrs. Kemper	yes
Mr. Bicknell	yes
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mr. Stivers	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Date: 5-10-22


Mayor

Attest: 
Clerk of Council