
MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 12, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.
760 CENTRAL AVENUE, CARLISLE, OHIO

Mayor Randy Winkler called the Carlisle, Ohio Municipal Council Regular Meeting of Tuesday, February 12, 2019 to order in Council Chambers at the Carlisle Town Hall building, 760 Central Avenue, Carlisle, Ohio. The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Mr. Nic Lamb	present
Mr. Randal Jewett	present
Mr. William Bicknell	present
Mr. Brad McIntosh	present
Ms. Barb Tankersley	present
Mr. Tim Humphries	present
Mayor Randy Winkler	present

Staff members present: Village Manager Julie Duffy
Clerk of Council Jennifer Harover

The minutes of January 22, 2019 were presented to Council for review. Mr. Lamb made a motion to suspend the clerk from reading the minutes, seconded by Ms. Tankersley.

Roll Call:

Ms. Tankersley	yes
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mr. Bicknell	yes
Mr. Lamb	yes
Mr. McIntosh	yes
Mr. Jewett	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

Mr. Bicknell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Jewett.

Roll Call:

Mr. McIntosh	yes
Mr. Jewett	yes
Ms. Tankersley	yes
Mr. Lamb	yes
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mr. Bicknell	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

Public Forum:

No public approached Council.

Council Report:

Mr. Lamb commented that this past Thursday evening, Planning Commission met to view plans of Phase 2 for the Carlisle School project. Unlike the meeting regarding Phase 1, this meeting was a fairly quick one. Both sides learned a lot during this meeting and it was a great testament to the work both sides are doing to complete this project. This meeting was very smooth and Village staff as well as project managers and builders were well prepared.

Mr. Jewett had no comments this evening.

Mr. Bicknell encouraged everyone to check out the renovations at Dollar General. They have redone their cooler configuration and added a produce section. They have maximized their shopping space for customers. It is very nice and was done quickly so customers were not inconvenienced. He thanked Dollar General for making these changes for the citizens of Carlisle.

Mr. McIntosh also encouraged citizens to check out the renovations at Dollar General! Carlisle Baseball Association sign-ups will begin on February 23rd, 27th and March 2nd at the middle school. Ponytail Association (softball) will begin on March 7th, 13th, and 21st at Grigsby Intermediate. Mr. McIntosh will be unable to make Council's meeting on February 26th as he will be traveling for business. He is requesting that all Councilmembers work on their list of work session ideas for the next meeting.

Ms. Tankersley had no comments this evening.

Mr. Humphries requested to reconvene the Veteran's Memorial Board for a "Plan B" option if that would be feasible. He has a blueprint laid out that was created by Tony Carpenter. Mr. Carpenter graduated with the Carlisle class of 1987 then went to Ball State where he earned a degree in horticulture and graphic design. Mr. Humphries would like to submit these proposed plans to see if they would grab more attention than the current plan. Mr. Humphries would also like to involve Councilmember, Staff and citizens in finding an exact date as to when Carlisle was established. Not necessarily a charter date but an actual date where we consider Carlisle to be in existence. The best number that he can find thus far is 1850 but he has nothing to truly back that up outside of the notes within the Carlisle Historical Society book. If anyone could help with this and/or knows someone who is willing to help with this, he would like to have their information as he feels this is something that is missing from our artwork in the town. Everything that is currently noted is just vague dates, he is looking for something more substantial and concrete. Mrs. Duffy agreed that there are several dates that make-up Carlisle's history but they are missing that one moment when Carlisle's official time clock began.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Winkler commented that Dollar General looks very nice. He asked that the Service Director be notified of a large pothole on Dayton-Oxford near the Montgomery County, Warren County line. Mrs. Duffy explained that she will get with our Service Director, Dan Casson, and make sure he checks it out.

Manager's Report:

Julie Duffy commented that JEMS will be continuing their free CPR classes to the community. The first of this year's sessions will be on February 16th from 1:00pm – 4:00pm at the City of Franklin Fire Department. We will have information posted on our Facebook page regarding these classes. Warren County will be hosting a Tire Recycling Event on March 2nd from 9:00am – 2:00pm at the Lebanon Sports Complex on McClure Road. This event is for Warren County residents only. There is no fee but tires must be off of the rim and there is a maximum number per load of 10. The Carlisle Theater Arts Program will be hosting a fundraiser on Friday, February 15th titled "Princess Power". It will be a showcase of princess themed songs and activities to support the arts and their upcoming performance of "Footloose" on March 8th, 9th, and 10th. This Theater Arts Program is a very talented group of young women and men who has put in many practice hours! You can follow their production schedules on their website at www.chstheaterarts.org

Committee Report:

No reports

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

RES. 1-19 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WARREN COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE FOR PURCHASE OF ROAD SALT – (1st Reading)

Mrs. Duffy explained that Carlisle has participated in a joint agreement for the purchase of road salt over the past few years. At one time, Carlisle entered into their contract for the purchase of road salt but we have found that we can get much more economical price per ton by going with a larger cooperative purchasing agreement. This cooperative agreement has been worked with the Warren County Engineer's Office and they do require an adoption of a Resolution that indicates that Carlisle will be official participating. This is on for a first reading. There is time for it to be passed before the deadline of March 29, 2019. Staff is wanting Council to approve this cooperative agreement so we can continue purchasing our road salt for the 2019/2020 season.

This will be on for a second reading on February 26, 2019.

ORD. 2-19 AN ORDINANCE TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS TO HOLD SURETY BONDS FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE, OHIO AND IN LIEU HOLD AN ADEQUATE INSURANCE POLICY KNOWN AS A EMPLOYEE DISHONESTY AND/OR FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE POLICY AS PRESCRIBED BY OHIO HOUSE BILL 291 - (1st Reading)

Mr. Rushing explained that this ordinance would adopt, and waive, the requirement of public officials especially the Fiscal Officer in Carlisle to hold a surety bond. Back in June of 2018, the Warren County Municipal League held a presentation about the personal liability of fiscal officers and public officials. During this presentation, several council members were in attendance and stated it was eye-opening regarding the strict liability that fiscal officers and some public officials have when it comes to control and custody of money when holding a particular office. Under the Ohio Revised Code, up until recently, it was required that Fiscal Officers and some public positions requiring bonding. This would mean that if an instance occurred with a loss of funds, be it through complete negligence or even criminal activity, not only would the individual be held responsible but also an incumbent, with no fault of their own, would be personally liable for that loss of funds. Up to that point, Ohio has strict liability regardless of intent or negligence which means that person is responsible for every penny that comes through the office. Over time, legislature has realized that this creates great exposure and risk, not only to the governing entity, but also to the incumbents in these positions. Last year, in the General Assembly with Ohio Bill 291, which was known as the Protect Local Treasuries Act, this allowed for the governing bodies to waive the requirement for fiscal officers as well as other public officials to hold a surety bond. A surety bond means that if a loss were to occur, the bond would cover the loss but the person with that surety bond would be responsible for paying back the bond. In lieu of this, the State now is allowing municipalities to adopt and provide adequate insurance known as Employee Dishonesty coverage. This coverage would be similar to that of your vehicle. You would not be personally responsible for the damage costs if you were in an automobile accident because the insurance company would cover those costs. The same principle would be established here where the Employee Dishonesty insurance would cover the loss. By passing this Ordinance, it would use the provisions of Ohio House Bill 291 and allow the finance director to work with property and liability insurance groups. We currently work with the Ohio Plan which is one of the major players within the State for liability insurance. Last June our Employee Dishonesty coverage was increased to an amount which is the maximum for the plan. We do put the scheduling of our bonds in our Personnel Manual. Our Personnel Manual is adopted by Ordinance. Through this process, it would amend the Personnel Manual to allow us to get rid of requiring the finance director, manager and tax administrator to obtain a surety bond and in lieu of that add them to our insurance policy and allow the Finance Director to dictate what that policy would be. This ordinance is on for the regular three reading schedule. Ohio House Bill 291 does go into effect as of March 12, 2019 but this voluntary and not mandated by the State. Every property and liability insurance offered to a public entity already includes Employee Dishonesty coverage. The minimum is \$100,000 per coverage year and the maximum, which is offered by the Ohio Plan, is \$250,000. The previous bond coverage was \$35,000 each for the Finance Director, Manager and Tax Administrator so the Employee Dishonesty coverage is much higher.

This will be on for a second reading on February 26, 2019.

Mayor Winkler announced there will be a Work Session immediately following tonight's meeting to discuss Council rules. All public individuals are welcome to attend. There will be no action to follow this Work Session.

With no further business, Mr. Bicknell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Jewett.

Roll Call:

Mr. Jewett	yes
Mr. McIntosh	yes
Ms. Tankersley	yes
Mr. Bicknell	yes
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mr. Lamb	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Date: 2-26-19

Randy Winkler
Mayor

Attest: [Signature]
Clerk of Council