MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 9, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.
760 CENTRAL AVENUE, CARLISLE, OHIO

Mayor Randy Winkler called the Carlisle, Ohio Municipal Council Regular Meeting of Tuesday, February 9, 2021 to order in Council Chambers at the Carlisle Town Hall building, 760 Central Avenue, Carlisle, Ohio. The meeting opened at 7:09 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Mrs. Debbie Kemper present
Mr. Randal Jewett present
Mr. William Bicknell present
Mrs. Kim Bilbrey present
Mr. Chris Stivers 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 26, 2021 were presented to Council for review. Mr. Bicknell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mrs. Bilbrey.

Roll Call:

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

The Special meeting minutes of January 26, 2021 were presented to Council for review. Mrs. Kemper made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mrs. Bilbrey.

Roll Call:

Mr. Humphries yes
Mr. Stivers yes
Mr. Bicknell yes
Mr. Jewett yes
Mrs. Bilbrey yes
Mrs. Kemper yes
Mayor Winkler yes
Public Forum:

No members of the public were present.

Council Report:

Mrs. Kemper again thanked the Service Department for the excellent work at clearing the streets this morning. There were so many great pictures posted on social media of kids and parents out enjoying the snow. She was able to attend her first Area Progress Council of Warren County meeting along with Mr. Humphries on January 27th. They do nominations for educators/teachers in the county for Project Excellence. Nominations can be made online through February 28th. Carlisle teachers have been nominated and won in the past. If you have a special teacher that does a great job, please take the time to nominate them for this award at www.apcwc.org/projectexcellence. She also attended the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission for Montgomery County. This was a Zoom meeting and they have a lot of things going on. Meetings for this Commission will be remote until June. She also again encouraged residents to check out the vacancies on various boards and commissions listed on our website.

Mrs. Bilbrey reminded everyone to check on the elderly during this cold weather. Now is a good time to be neighborly and help out with those that can’t by clearing driveways and walks. She thanked Michael Kilpatrick as it sounds like good things will be happening soon with his property, The Farm on Central. She also thanked the Service Department for their great work on the streets. She thanked Ryan Rushing for the information he provided for the Finance meeting earlier this evening.

Mr. Jewett echoed his thanks to the Service Department for the clearing of streets. He heard that the crews began at 9:00 p.m. last evening and were still going strong at 5:45 a.m. today. He had an opportunity to meet last evening with a good portion of the volunteer firefighters. He spoke with them about some concerns they have and just got to know them each a little better. As most residents know, our fire department is 100% volunteer. When calls are made, those crews are coming from some of your neighbors and friends within the Village. It is a huge job and he wants to thank them all for everything they do for their community.

Mr. Stivers also thanked the Service Department and reminded citizens to move their vehicles to driveways whenever possible when snow is forecasted.

Mr. Bicknell thanked the Service Department for the exceptional job they have done. He also thanked the Fire Department for their training class last evening. This crew is 100% volunteers, mostly young men and women who are run toward danger when others are running from it. He looks forward to working with them in the future. When you have an emergency, you are essentially calling your neighbor at all hours of the day/night to help you. He also thanked all of the mutual aid that was received over February 2nd and 3rd. In the area, there were six total structure fires, three of which were in the Village. The amount of time and effort and people that showed up to help in anyway they could was impressive. After speaking with these volunteers last evening, these fires could have been a lot worse had they not been here to help. He sends his condolences and thoughts to the owners of these homes for what they have lost but he is grateful that no one was hurt.
Mr. Humphries attending the Planning Commission meeting last Thursday. There were discussions of a new sign for the Franklin Township building and a development plan for The Farm On Central. This was a three hour meeting of citizen volunteers with no compensation. There was good debate about how we get to where we approve things within the Municipality of Carlisle. Above and beyond the fire departments and regional cooperation, even the citizen boards deserve some grateful thanks.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Winkler commented that he attended training at the Fire Department. As Mr. Jewett and Mr. Bicknell reported, the training as very enlightening. They got to look at some of the equipment that these volunteers work with to help others. The equipment is old and heavy. There are definitely some things that need to addressed in the future. He appreciates them all and everything that they do for their community. For everyone who volunteers for a board or commission, we appreciate your time and could not do this without you. If any resident has an interest to serve on a board or commission, all openings are listed on our website and Facebook page.

**Manager's Report:**

Julie Duffy encouraged residents to check out the website [www.ohioslargestplayground.com](http://www.ohioslargestplayground.com) and make their nomination for the 2020 Best of Warren County. There are twenty different categories from best pizza to best date night activity. She would love to see some nominations from our community. Deadline for submissions is February 12th and actual voting will begin soon after. We will also promote this on our Facebook page. Now that snow will be falling, there is nothing more frustrating that shoveling your driveway only for the plow to come through and cover it back up. There is a way to shovel your driveway to avoid that second shovel. There will be a post on Facebook with a diagram to show this in more detail. She gave a big shout-out to the Service Department. They were out beginning at 9:00 p.m. yesterday and went home at 11:00 a.m. today. They take great pride in their work and it is their goal to get our community streets as safe and clean as possible. She also gave a community recognition to services in Warren County that not everyone may know about. Warren County Community Services is an agency that can help the elderly stay at home, independently, as long as they can. They provide assist for Meals on Wheels as well as the Med-Alert bracelets. They have a ton of assistance programs for families and connections with various non-profit agencies throughout the county. If you are interested in volunteering with any of these agencies, they also have ways of linking up your abilities with those in need. [www.wcsio.org](http://www.wcsio.org)

**Committee Report:**

Mr. Bicknell commented on the Finance Committee meeting that was held just prior to tonight's Council meeting. They discussed the end-of-the-year, 2020 financials. Mr. Rushing did an exceptional job with the PowerPoint presentation. Some of the highlights of this were that 7 of the operating funds ended at over 100%, which is well above of where the Village needs to be. Cash flow for 2021 is exactly where it was projected to be. Revenues in the General Fund, Road Fund and State Road Fund operated at or
just under 100%. The Timber Ridge TIF was under but that was due to a planned project that was earmarked to be completed in 2020. Overall, it was a very strong finish and Mr. Rushing reported the strengths and weaknesses of the year. He will be coming back to Council with ways to generate additional revenue in order to subsidize some of the funds.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:**

None

**Second and Third Readings of Ordinances and Resolutions:**

RES. 2-21 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A VARIANCE OF SECTION 1282.05 EXTERIOR LIGHTING PLAN REGARDING MINIMUM LIGHT LEVELS FOR AN ACCESS DRIVE LOCATED ON THE CARLISLE LOCAL SCHOOL PARCEL (2nd Reading).

With no further discussion, this legislation will be on for a third and final reading on February 23, 2021.

ORD. 1-21 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 618.01 DOGS AN DOTHER ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE; DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS DOGS (2nd Reading).

With no further discussion, this legislation will be on for a third and final reading on February 23, 2021.

ORD. 2-21 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL PLATS OF WATERBURY, SECTIONS THREE AND FOUR AND CONFIRMING THE DEDICATION OF EASEMENTS (2nd Reading).

With no further discussion, this legislation will be on for a third and final reading on February 23, 2021.

Mayor Winkler commented that this concludes their agenda for this evening. There will be a Work Session immediately following tonight’s meeting. Public is welcome to attend.
With no further business, Mrs. Kemper made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Bilbrey.

**Roll Call:**

- Mr. Jewett: yes
- Mrs. Bilbrey: yes
- Mrs. Kemper: yes
- Mr. Bicknell: yes
- Mr. Humphries: yes
- Mr. Stivers: yes
- Mayor Winkler: yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Date: 2-23-21

Mayor Winkler

Attest: Clerk of Council