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**MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**MAY 23, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.**  
**760 CENTRAL AVENUE, CARLISLE, OHIO**

Mayor Randy Winkler called the Carlisle, Ohio City Council Regular Meeting of Tuesday, May 23, 2023 to order in Council Chambers at the Carlisle City Hall building, 760 Central Avenue, Carlisle, Ohio. The meeting was opened at 7:01 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Jason Faulkner	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: Interim City Manager Charlotte Colley  
Service Director Dan Casson  
Zoning Administrator Cathy Walton  
Clerk of Council Jennifer Harover

The work session minutes of May 9, 2023 were presented to Council for review. Mr. Faulkner made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick.

**Roll Call:**

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

Work session minutes of May 9, 2023 were approved.

The regular meeting minutes of May 9, 2023 were presented to Council for review. Mr. Kilpatrick made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mrs. Kemper.

**Roll Call:**

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

Regular meeting minutes of May 9, 2023 were approved.

The special meeting minutes of May 16, 2023 were presented to Council for review. Mr. Bicknell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick.

**Roll Call:**

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

Special meeting minutes of May 16, 2023 were approved.

**Public Forum:**

Mrs. Leslie Holt, 7969 Todd Court, Franklin Township approached Council. She is representing Carlisle Community Church to give Council information about the upcoming Memorial Day Ceremony. The event will take place on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> between Carlisle Town Hall and Carlisle Community Church where everyone can look over the Veterans' Memorial. It will feature speakers from the City, Church, local businesses and the Lions Club. There will be a special speaker reflecting on the sacrifice of service. They will be honoring local veteran, Lance Corporal Darrell Holderman as well as have a 21-gun salute and TAPS played by local trumpet player, Tom Ratliff. The event will conclude with an interactive display where attendees will have the opportunity to honor their loved ones who have served in the military. This ceremony has been postponed for several years which led two small groups to independently plan two separate ceremonies to honor veterans. Last week, the two groups found out about each other and decided to join their events. This truly shows the love that our citizens and organizations have for veterans. It shows determination of the people to continue with traditions, to honor the fallen and to work together to benefit the City. She thanked both Tim Humphries and Debbie Kemper for their work in getting this event together. All citizens are invited to attend the ceremony beginning at 2:30pm on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>.

Dan Casson, Service Director, updated Council on projects through the Service Department. This will be his last council meeting so he wanted to bring these highlights to them. They are currently replacing parts of the drywell at the railroad underpass and that the underpass will be closed as of May 30<sup>th</sup>. Equipment will begin showing up this week and the closure should last approximately two weeks. Norfolk Southern has approached the City that they will be working on that same underpass some time in August or September. Their work will be to reinforce the supports of the structure under the railroad. That work will take 3-4 months to complete and the Service Department will keep everyone informed as that date comes closer. Our City Engineer has been working with the Montgomery County CBG so they can be in line for a grant to cover a portion of the water line at the tie-in at Lower Carlisle Road. It was recently discovered that there is a short section of line that will allow us to apply for that grant. That entire project is also moving along but there has been one small hiccup. After talking with the City

of Franklin, they do not have as much water as they thought and there could be a possibility that the fire connection portion will not work out. He wanted to make sure that Council knew that they may be addressing that further down the road of this project. Our Engineer and Franklin's Engineer are working to gather more information. As everyone knows, the City of Franklin, together with ODOT, intend to construct a round about on 123 in Franklin. The detours for that construction are most likely going to cause traffic issues all across the area. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2024 and be completed in 2024 so that area of 75, 123 will be a place to avoid. They did have a Street Committee meeting this past week and Mr. Stivers will be giving that update.

With no other public comments, Mayor Winkler closed the public forum.

**Council Report:**

Mr. Bicknell thanked Mr. Casson as this is his last council meeting. He joined Council a little over six years ago and he has been in many meetings with Mr. Casson related to upgrading vehicles. When we have a used vehicle posted for sale, the return we get on that vehicle is far beyond anything imagined. It is because of Mr. Casson's work ethic. In his time with the city, he can say that our Service Department is better and it is part of Mr. Casson's dedication to his job. The way this town looks, the way the service department handles their work and the overall respect that is upheld for Mr. Casson goes beyond words. He truly appreciates everything that Mr. Casson has done for Carlisle. Wednesday at 4:00pm will be the groundbreaking ceremony for the new JEMS & Carlisle Fire Department building. There will be some equipment there on the site although not what they hoped for but that small hiccup will have all of that there very soon. This plan should be done very quickly in regards to beginning the project and should be completed in March of 2024. This has been a long road of planning and they are very excited to get this project under way.

Mrs. Kemper thanked Leslie Holt for coming in and making everyone aware of the Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday. It is so nice to know that there are plenty of citizens out there wanting to start this tradition back up. She thanked everyone who has come out to enjoy the Food Trucks. Last week was the first time to have non-food vendors there and they were very well received. This week, there will be free raffle drawings for items donated by local businesses. Trucks are open from 5pm until 8pm on Thursday evenings at Roscoe Park. She congratulated the Class of 2023. She encourages them to follow through with their dreams as their future can be whatever they set their mind to. She congratulated Dan on his retirement and thanked him for everything he has done for the city. She knows that he will enjoy his retirement. She is very excited for the future of Carlisle as there are a lot of good things to happen. She wished everyone a nice, enjoyable weekend.

Mr. Faulkner let everyone know that he will be heading to Indiana tomorrow on business and will not be able to make the groundbreaking ceremony. He encouraged Mr. Casson to enjoy his retirement and not work too hard.

Mr. Humphries was able to get our Congressman into the "armpit" of our county this past Saturday afternoon. He was able to meet managers and mayors from our area and get dialogue of who we are. A gross majority of the people he is responsible for reside in Cincinnati but our area counts as well. He appreciates the Congressman and his people for coming to meet with us. This past Friday, there was an emergency for a resident choking that turned into respiratory arrest. Our Police, JEMS, and Fire department showed up as first responders and they turned the situation around. Those individuals are

not just ticket-writers or fire fighters, they are life savers. He commended all our emergency services. He thanked Cathy Walton, Dan Casson and Jennifer Harover. He also passed along his condolences to the Jim Mears family in Franklin.

Mr. Stivers thanked Mrs. Holt for the information on the Memorial Day ceremony. He thanked Mr. Casson for all that he has done over the years. He wished him the best in his re-retirement. He thanked Cathy Walton for her service in zoning. He thanked Mr. Dana McDaniel and his company for walking Council through their search for a new city manager. He was skeptical at first of the process but the entire program was fantastic and they ended up with two individuals that, with either choice, they couldn't go wrong. That was truly a testament to what his company does.

Mr. Kilpatrick thanked Dan for his years of service. Grass has always been trimmed, vehicles are always shining in great condition and everything happening in the service department is always top-notch. He appreciates his work and how he was able to keep everything spinning. He appreciates the work that the other staff, who are moving on, have done. Jennie has given top-notch support to Council along with a smiling face. He wished everyone the best of luck in their new roles.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Winkler thanked Congressman Greg Landsman for coming to visit last Saturday. It was a nice little get-together and he appreciates the time to socialize. He thanked the City of Franklin for sending over the invitation to Carlisle as well as for hosting the event. He reminded all Carlisle alumni that the annual alumni dinner will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Chautauqua Park. It is \$10 per person and the meal will be catered this year. The event will open at 4:00pm and dinner will be served at 6:00pm. There is still time to sign-up if you have not done so yet. He thanked the Carlisle Baseball team as they had a great season this year. Unfortunately, it ended last night with a loss in the Sectional Finals to Cincinnati Country Day. This will be the last meeting for Dan Casson, Cathy Walton and Jennie Harover. These individuals are not just co-workers, they are friends. He knew Dan before he came to Carlisle and it is sad to see him go as he retires. Jennie is moving on to Miami Valley Fire District and they will be getting a great employee. Cathy is going to Hamilton Township. Bigger communities tend to steal our employees. He thanked each of them for what they have done for the city and he knows they will stay in touch.

**Manager's Report:**

Mrs. Colley updated Council on various departments. The Service Department is working on mowing all of the city grounds before the Memorial Day weekend. Dan's last day will be Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. These will be big shoes to fill and she will be working with the new City Manager to get that advertisement out. She and Dan have interviewed an individual for the open Service Worker I position and they hope to have that position filled before Dan's departure. Cathy Walton's last day will be May 29<sup>th</sup> and we wish her the best of luck. Christopher Kelly will begin as our part-time Code Enforcement Officer on June 5<sup>th</sup> and Jim Wahlrab will be training him to be sure that all current issues are covered. Dinee Kier, Tax Administrator, is still processing all of the tax payments that have been coming in. She will be working on the conversion of the tax software upgrade very soon. The Finance Department has filed an extension for the 2022 End of the Year Financial Statement with the State and that has been accepted. With the transition of directors, our consultant suggested that we extended to be sure that everything was completed accurately. The audit for 2021 and 2022 will begin as soon as that EOY

statement is filed. She has spoken to the auditors and they know what is going on and they will be working with the City to be sure that all necessary paperwork accounted for so that audits can begin as soon as that filing occurs. Jennie Harover's last day with the City is June 9<sup>th</sup> but she will be taking some well-deserved vacation time so her last day in the office will be June 2<sup>nd</sup>. These again, will be big shoes to fill and we hate to see her go but wish her the best of luck. Both her position and Cathy's will be advertised as soon as possible. She will be on vacation from June 3<sup>rd</sup> through June 11<sup>th</sup> but, if needed, can be contacted through email or phone. The Fire Department was awarded a BWC grant for a specialized washing machine that will help to remove contaminants from fire gear. The total cost is \$9,555 and the grant will cover \$7,057.50 and the remainder will come out of the fire fund.

Mayor Winkler thanked Mrs. Colley for stepping in and doing what she has done. She has been amazing given everything that has been thrown at her.

Mr. Faulkner apologized to Jennie and Cathy as he thought they had them for one more meeting. He did not bring their names up in his report and is sorry about that. He wished them both the best and thanked them for their service. Mr. Stivers, Mr. Bicknell and Mrs. Kemper also mentioned they thought Jennie and Cathy had one more meeting.

**Committee Report:**

Mr. Stivers spoke on behalf of the Land & Street Committee. They met last week with Mr. Casson regarding paving plans for 2023. There are six different targeted areas for 2023. With our current budget, it will be impossible to do all of these areas but Mr. Casson will try to stretch the funds out as far as he is able. Estimates are coming in for the projected areas and then bidding of the project will start. Areas on the list are Park Drive from 122 to Beachler, Industry Drive from Beachler to the curve (and may stretch that from Beachler to bridge), Dubois Road from Charles to "Miller's Corner", Crescent Drive and part of Hillcrest from Park Drive to Lomar.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:**

ORD. 13-23 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECT A GOVERNMENTAL NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM WITH OPT-OUT PROVISIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 4929.26, OHIO REVISED CODE, DIRECTING THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO SUBMIT A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORS, AND IS ON AS AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Colley stated that the next four pieces of legislation are all for utility aggregation. Two for natural gas and two for electric which are separated by counties. Mr. Rich Surace with Energy Alliances is here this evening for any questions. These issues have been discussed with Council on previous occasions and this legislation will allow them to go to ballot in November. This is the first step in the

process to see if our residents are interested. If this passes, then Energy Alliances will work with the City to take the next steps that happen before going out to bid for electric and/or natural gas services.

Mr. Faulkner questioned what the plan was on educating the local residents on this issue. Mr. Surace came to the podium. He stated that because the city itself cannot take a stance on this issue, Energy Alliances will work with the City Manager to get information out to residents through newsletters, website, and/or public forums. There will be several steps along the way that can help voters to understand what is being asked as well as what will happen after the vote. Voter turnout in November is usually much higher than it is in May and, if the City has any other issues on that ballot, it will help bring more voters in.

Mr. Faulkner made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings and have one reading by title only and declaring an emergency, seconded by Mrs. Kemper.

**Roll Call:**

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

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

**Roll Call:**

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

Ordinance passed on this day will be entered into Ordinance Record Book as Ord. 13-23.

ORD. 14-23 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECT A GOVERNMENTAL NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM WITH OPT-OUT PROVISIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 4929.26, OHIO REVISED CODE, DIRECTING THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO SUBMIT A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORS, AND IS ON AS AN EMERGENCY.

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

**Roll Call:**

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

With no further discussion, Mr. Kilpatrick made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Faulkner.

**Roll Call:**

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

Ordinance passed on this day will be entered into Ordinance Record Book as Ord. 14-23.

ORD. 15-23 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECT A GOVERNMENTAL ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM WITH OPT-OUT PROVISIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 4928.20, OHIO REVISED CODE, DIRECTING THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO SUBMIT A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORS, AND IS ON AS AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Kilpatrick made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings and have one reading by title only and declaring an emergency, seconded by Mrs. Kemper.

**Roll Call:**

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

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

***Roll Call:***

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

Ordinance passed on this day will be entered into Ordinance Record Book as Ord. 15-23.

ORD. 16-23 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECT A GOVERNMENTAL ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM WITH OPT-OUT PROVISIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 4928.20, OHIO REVISED CODE, DIRECTING THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO SUBMIT A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORS, AND IS ON AS AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Stivers made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings and have one reading by title only and declaring an emergency, seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick.

***Roll Call:***

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

With no further discussion, Mr. Kilpatrick made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Faulkner.

***Roll Call:***

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

Ordinance passed on this day will be entered into Ordinance Record Book as Ord. 16-23.



ORD. 17-23 AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE REAPPROPRIATION/SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF CARLISLE, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023, AMENDMENT NUMBER 2, AND IS ON AS A SINGLE READING.

Mrs. Colley reminded Council that at their last meeting, our income software upgrade will cost more than what was budgeted for in 2023. After looking into the total cost of the complete upgrade to Civica Supply tax software, they will need an additional \$49,000 to be appropriated into the general fund, tax line item so that the software purchase can be made.

Additionally, there was a 2023 F600 Ford plow truck that was budgeted for this year. Everything has been finalized on that truck and it could be delivered as soon as June. The appropriated amount for 2023 was thought to be sufficient. However, due to inflation and the cost of everything rising, the actual cost came in at \$116,127 so there will need to be an additional \$10,550 into the road fund in order to complete this purchase.

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

**Roll Call:**

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

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

**Roll Call:**

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

Ordinance passed on this day will be entered into Ordinance Record Book as Ord. 17-23.

RES. 10-23 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CIVICA SUPPLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF UPGRADING THE CITY'S INCOME TAX SOFTWARE, AND IS ON AS AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Colley explained this is the upgrade with Civica Supply for the income tax software. The total cost is \$74,808. We will be pulling funds from both the income tax line in the general fund as well as the services fund.

Mr. Faulkner made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings and have one reading by title only and declaring an emergency, seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick.

**Roll Call:**

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

Mr. Faulkner stated that this contract speaks more to a subscription versus a perpetual license. He is curious if our legal counsel reviewed this contract. Mrs. Colley explained that Civica Supply is currently the company they work with for the software so this is not a “new” contract. She will make sure that our legal counsel reviews the information before it is signed. He was also curious if it would be a consideration to pay a little more up-front and then have the ongoing maintenance cost lowered. Mrs. Colley stated that because this is a specialized software, she is not sure there will be much wiggle room. She knows that Mrs. Kier, Tax Administrator, has put in quite a bit of time reviewing several other tax softwares and visiting with other cities about each version. She feels like this software is the best option for the city but will definitely have the agreement reviewed by legal counsel first.

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

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Stivers	yes
Mrs. Kemper	yes
Mr. Faulkner	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. 10-23.

**RES. 11-23 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH MR. CHRISTOPHER J. LOHR FOR EMPLOYMENT AS CITY MANAGER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

***Roll Call:***

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

With no further discussion, Mr. Stivers made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Humphries.

***Roll Call:***

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

Resolution passed on this day will be entered into Resolution Record Book as Res. 11-23.

Mayor Winkler and Council Members congratulated Mr. Lohr and welcomed him to Carlisle.

Mr. Kilpatrick thanked Mayor Winkler for suggesting that Council work with Mr. McDaniel. He also thanked Council approving this process. There was a bit of apprehension at first for bringing in an outside firm but he is positive that everyone approves of the work that Dana and his team have done. It was a very easy process and he believes they have made a great choice.

**RES. 12-23 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 TAX BUDGET FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE, OHIO.**

Mrs. Colley explained that this resolution is an annual one. Basically, the Tax Budget provides an official certificate of our estimated resources for the counties which we are in and then that leads to the appropriations for budgeting in 2024. This Tax Budget must be approved by Council no later than July 15<sup>th</sup> and submitted to both Warren and Montgomery counties at that time.

With no further discussion, this legislation will be on Council’s agenda for a second reading on June 13, 2023.

RES. 13-23 A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF LEVYING AN ADDITIONAL FIVE-TENTHS OF ONE PERCENT (0.5%) MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX RATE TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CARLISLE, OHIO, FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE CITY OF CARLISLE, OHIO, ON NOVEMBER 7, 2023 SUCH ADDITIONAL LEVY BEING FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING GENERAL MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS AND SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY OF CARLISLE.

Mrs. Colley explained that this legislation is for additional income tax to provide services within the City. This has been discussed multiple times in the past and a version of this legislation was actually passed at the beginning of 2023 but for the May 2023 ballot. However, with the school district having a levy issue on the ballot at the same time, she believes there was a decision to postpone this issue and place it on the November 7th ballot. None of the details have changed within this legislation other than the ballot date.

Mr. Faulkner stated that he is in favor of this issue but he is curious to see how the new City Manager will weigh in on the topic. He supports this process beginning so they do not miss out on having the issue on the November 7<sup>th</sup> ballot. Mr. Humphries agreed that starting the process tonight allows them to place the issue on the ballot but also gives them time for the new City Manager to review the information and, if necessary, pull it. This is merely a step in a direction for them to go if they choose to do so by the end of the reading cycle. Mr. Kilpatrick stated that the timing will allow them to put together a strong campaign over the summer.

Mrs. Colley stated that she has seen some of the levy campaign information that was put together for the May ballot and it should give Council a great starting point.

With no further discussion, this legislation will be on Council’s agenda for a second reading on June 13, 2023.

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

ORD. 11-23 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TEXT AMENDMENT TO SECTION 1274.33 TO THE CARLISLE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REMOVING ALL REFERENCES TO CHICKENS. (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading)

With no further discussion, Mr. Kilpatrick made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Stivers.

**Roll Call:**

- Mr. Humphries            yes
- Mrs. Kemper            yes
- Mr. Bicknell            yes
- Mr. Kilpatrick           yes
- Mr. Faulkner            yes
- Mr. Stivers              yest
- Mayor Winkler          yes

Ordinance passed on this day will be entered into Ordinance Record Book as Ord. 11-23.

ORD. 12-23 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TEXT AMENDMENT ADDING SECTION 1274.35 TO THE CARLISLE CODIFIED ORDINANCES PROHIBITING ALL MEDICAL MARIJUANA USES. (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading)

Mr. Kilpatrick stated that because he comes from a farming background, he has a bit different view on medical marijuana than most people. Looking over the years, the banning of cannabis has come down to different interests in different years by different conglomerates. Today, there is a tremendous amount of known medicinal uses for this. Health issues like glaucoma, chronic pain, ADHD, PTSD, Parkinson’s, seizures and anxiety can see great improvement from its use. In this country, alcohol is very accepted while cannabis has been demonized. Research and facts around using alcohol versus using cannabis are quite different. Many people die each year from using alcohol, according to the CDC, while the deaths from cannabis are very few. In the U.S., there are somewhere between 30-40 million people addicted to opioids. Cannabis does have its benefits. He feels that the vote taken tonight will set a precedent that this substance is bad and should not be used. He feels there is plenty of history and research of medicinal uses that say this is something that is a valid treatment option. He is not saying he agrees with recreational uses but for medicinal purposes, it definitely has benefits.

Mr. Faulkner wondered why cannabis does not get regulated by the FDA just like any other drug. Mr. Kilpatrick stated that part of that answer is due to the medical industry understanding many years ago that it is hard to regulate because individuals can grow it themselves. The easiest way for pharmaceutical companies to promote their drugs was by demonizing the natural medicines.

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

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Faulkner	yes
Mr. Kilpatrick	no
Mr. Humphries	yes
Mr. Bicknell	yes
Mr. Stivers	yes
Mrs. Kemper	yes
Mayor Winkler	yes

Ordinance passed on this day will be entered into Ordinance Record Book as Ord. 12-23.

Mayor Winkler stated that this concluded the business items on their agenda. He asked Mr. Chris Lohr to come to the front for his oath.

Mayor Winkler conducted the Oath of Office for Mr. Lohr as Carlisle’s City Manager.

Mr. Lohr will begin his role on Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. He thanked Council for his new role. He is excited to begin and looking forward to working with staff to serve the residents of Carlisle.

Mr. Bicknell welcomed Mr. Lohr to Carlisle and also welcomed his family. As we all know, when you accept in local government, it is not just yourself but also your family that must give up time. He

appreciates not only Mr. Lohr but also his family for the sacrifices they are making for the City of Carlisle. He then stated to Jennie that he was happy she was here for this meeting as he feels she got more than two weeks' worth of quota for words she needed to say before leaving. He would have been sad for the new person to have to go through so many words on their first meeting.

With no further discussion, Mr. Faulkner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick.

**Roll Call:**

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council