
MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
JUNE 13, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.
760 CENTRAL AVENUE, CARLISLE, OHIO

Mayor Randy Winkler called the Carlisle, Ohio City Council Regular Meeting of Tuesday, June 13, 2023 to order in Council Chambers at the Carlisle City Hall building, 760 Central Avenue, Carlisle, Ohio. The meeting was opened at 6:59 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: City Manager Chris Lohr

The regular meeting minutes of May 23, 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. 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 23, 2023 were approved.

Mayor Randy Winkler stated this is the first meeting with the new City Manager and he is trying to do a double role this evening so bear with us if we might get off kilter slightly.

Public Forum:

Mr. Humphries introduced Mark Fuller of 339 Gladys Avenue. He is here tonight with his family to share a life experience.

Mr. Fuller stated this was something that happened to him. Back on May 19th he had a cardiac arrest and there is a few people he'd like to thank as many of them he has never met personally but they worked on him and basically saved his life. They are as follows: Carlisle Police Department, Officer Little and Officer Krebs. From JEMS, Chief Madden, Lieutenant Whitney, Lieutenant Goubeaux, Paramedic Cox, Paramedic Wells, EMT Guyton, EMT Rebholz and Firefighter Warren. Those present came forward to meet Mr. Fuller. He also wanted to personally thank those people and thank Chief

Rogers for putting such a great group of people together at the Police Department. They are doing a great job. He appreciates everyone involved for keeping him alive until he got to the hospital. One other person he wanted to thank in particular – the most important person in his life - was Angie Koogle because next to God, she was his true savior that night by staying calm, calling 911 and letting them do their job. He stated there is more to policing than writing tickets or handling barking dogs. Sometimes it is just being there holding somebody's hand and keeping them calm. He would like to stress to our community in these highly publicized times that when you hear the noise "de-fund the police and first responders" you may just be de-funding your life. There may be some things that need de-funded, but the first responders and the police department is not one of them.

Chief Lane then spoke on behalf of the Carlisle Fire Department, Chief Madden from JEMS, and Rich Morrett, the EMS Coordinator from Atrium hospital. They came to make presentations to all the individuals involved. He stated this is what he would consider to be incredible and exactly what all our people are here for, and this is what we do. This is why we have volunteers, and this is why we have people who do this and why this gentleman can stand here today and thank us. This is what we are all here for. This is what community fire, EMS, police, and dispatchers are all about. This is great. He turned the podium over to Rich Morrett.

Rich Morrett thanked everyone for having them. He wanted to thank Chief Lane for his help in putting this together. He stated at Premier Health, this is something they like to do. They see a lot of death and destruction in their business and it is not every day they get to see a good see a good or positive outcome. He provided stats that in one year 436,000 Americans die from cardiac arrest. Out of those, more than 350,000 happen out of hospital; 73% happen in homes/residences, 16% happen in public spaces and 10% happen in nursing homes. So only approximately 10% of the people leave the hospital neurologically intact and able to walk out on their own. This is one of the 10%. He is one of the 10% because of what they did, the first responders did. If you take a CPR class, they talk about the greatest chance of survival is a chain of survival. That recognition and early activation which is what happened. They recognized there was a problem, an early call to 911, high quality CPR which from his understanding was completed by the first responders when they first got there, and then that rapid defibrillation and advanced EMS care. Those are the four we are celebrating tonight. The last two are post-cardiac care and then the recovery that is done at the hospital and after they get discharged. On behalf of Premier Health, they have some awards to present and with the help of Chief Lane began recognizing and called the following individuals up front:

Dispatcher Brittany Creager, Warren County Communications Center

Chief Jesse Madden, JEMS

Lt. Morgan Goubeaux, JEMS and Carlisle Fire Dept

Paramedic Kim Koncz, JEMS

EMT Jack Rebholz, JEMS

Officer Jerry Krebs, Carlisle PD

Officer Jordan Little, Carlisle PD

Dispatcher Brittany Creager, Warren County Communications Center

Those not present but also recognized for their contribution to this call were:

Lt. James Whitney, JEMS and Carlisle Fire Dept

Firefighter Jake Warren, Carlisle Fire Dept

EMT Jonas Guyton, JEMS

Paramedic Courtney Wells, JEMS

Chief Lane stated one of the aspects he does not want to be forgotten is that in the chain of survival one of the key aspects is their dispatchers. The dispatchers do a fabulous job at fielding 911 calls and fielding very stressful situations and relaying care information to the caller as well as advising the care providers as to what is going on.

The first person he called was Brittney Creager. The next group of people are the first ones on the scene. We have been talking about how important our police force is. The Carlisle Fire Department Joint Emergency Medical spends time training these nice gentlemen back here on how to do CPR. Guess who started CPR to start with, Officer Little. He asked Chief Rogers to come up and accept on behalf of Jerry Krebs who was the officer who is not able to be here. He was also on the scene assisting with the situation as well. He recognized Firefighter Jake Warren with the Carlisle Fire Department. He was another responder but unfortunately, he is at work this evening. He will make sure to pass the award on to him as he was another person assisting as well. The same thing with JEMS Lieutenant and Carlisle Firefighter is Lt. James Whitney was another individual who responded with Carlisle Fire Department. He is on duty and was not able to be here. Courtney Wells is another individual with the Fire Department. He had Chief Madden accept her award. She was not able to be here this evening but was one of the paramedics of JEMS that was part of this run as well. Chief Madden, who was actually a responder from home on this run, assisted with this run as well. EMT Jack Rebholz who was on the EMS crew that transported this gentleman to the hospital. We do have EMT Jonas Guyton who was not here this evening. He had Chief Madden accept on her behalf. Paramedic Kim Kuntz who was on the transport unit to the hospital. Last but not least, paramedic Lieutenant Goubeaux from JEMS. She was also if you remember, from our last council meeting one of our newest firefighters for the City of Carlisle. Our late arrival, Officer Jerry Krebs.

Angie Kooger, who was with Mr. Fuller stood up to say that she was the one who was frantically calling 911 and talking to the dispatcher, and it amazed her how quickly the responders arrived. She stated you hear people talk about it seemed like a lifetime, but it did not. She was there on the phone and then the police officers were there and then the paramedics.

Chief Lane took the podium again. In the spirit of everything that is going on here today he had one more agenda item for the Fire Department. He welcomed another Volunteer Firefighter to the City of Carlisle Fire Department, Zachary Bors, and asked the City Manager to come swear him in. The oath was read by City Manager Lohr and Mr. Bors repeated the oath.

Chief Lane thanked the Council and everyone. He stated it was a great thing for the City and that we really should embrace this as it is wonderful.

Mayor Winkler closed by stating he is known Mark Fuller for many years and worked with his brother, John and knew his parents. He added he was glad that Mark was here with us this evening, and he's glad that the Chief got these officers in for this training to be able to do CPR to assist with things like this. This is just wonderful. This is an outcome that you'd like to see every time. Some of the hidden costs when we've asked for money in the past and may be doing so in the future, to try and support our Fire and EMS and so forth but it's a lot of the hidden costs that you don't see such as the training, the equipment that they need and everything that they need to do their job are all hidden costs that most people don't get to see. He is thankful for each and every one of them, and without a doubt, this is absolutely the best police force that's ever been in the City of Carlisle – hands down. Now we have JEMS who is moving from the City of Franklin to Carlisle. Groundbreaking is taking place across from Dairy Queen for those who might not know and may be wondering but we will now have these folks even closer into town to assist with these types of emergencies. He can't wait for the building to be up and everyone to be in it. Our Fire Department will be moving over into that building along with JEMS. We're thankful we were able to bring this altogether and get this here. He thanked everyone involved with all that progress. Chief Madden stated this wouldn't have happened without the support of Council and supporting their mission and making things it better for the community. Mayor Winkler reminded everyone the public forum was still open if anyone wanted to address Council.

Chief Will Rogers stated, as we all know the positive outcome we had. Being as he has been an instructor for years, one of the things that you evaluate on did you do a good job, was your instruction effective, and did the people pick up on what they have been taught. When you have good instructors you have good outcomes, and right there they are as he motioned towards the JEMS team. When he came in and found out the officers did not have any experience with any type of CPR training and knowing from his experience working with the hospital for a couple years, how important it is to see a positive outcome, so he reached out to JEMS. They are great partners with the Carlisle Fire Department and have been very helpful and supportive in getting them the training they need. He will be asking for more help shortly. He wanted to let the Council know that due to a very generous donation from an anonymous donor they have purchased their first AED. They purchased one that will be interoperative with their equipment. In a critical cardiac event those first few minutes are so important so for us to be able to have that equipment available for the officers when they respond is so important. It is just incredible how much more positive an outcome is when you have effective treatment right up front, and thanks to JEMS and the incredible training they have gotten thanks to these young ladies, and the support from JEMS and the support from Council will allow him to train the officers with what they need to have. He is very proud that this man was able to come here tonight to speak.

Mayor Winkler said the gentleman sitting beside Mr. Fuller, Jim, was the Mayor's Civics teacher and he thanked him for all he has done for the community and as a school teacher and running his family business.

With no other public comments, Mayor Winkler closed the public forum and paused for visitors to leave but welcomed them to stay for the rest of the meeting if they would like.

Council Report:

Mr. Kilpatrick thanked the Mayor for letting him go first. Before in the work session when they were talking about funding of our Police Department and how important it is and the ways they are doing

that, he wanted to say that this right here makes him tear up because that is the reason why we need to fund our police is to keep this. He has worked with Mark Fuller many times as he works at Gross Lumber and he picks up items for projects going on and Mark is a great asset there and it's great to see him here being able to talk about our community and the incredible police and fire and first responders that we have and just reminds him too about the great leadership we have in our departments too. Our Fire Chief and our Police Chief are top caliber and the forethought they are having in the departments is what means we have another resident still with us. He extended a huge congrats to both of our Chiefs and a reminder to our community that when we come after you all with this levy this is the reason why.

Mr. Stivers thanked everybody who showed up tonight to save Mr. Fuller's life. When you think of the word community, we think of where we live, who our neighbors are and who our friends are and people in the same town, but that right there is a whole different type of community also. The first responders, the police, fire, JEMS, they are a community in and of itself. They take the time to cross-train. They take the time to help each other out and respond to all kinds of different calls and they do it together and that's a special type of person. We have a whole community of people that have that same thought. Second, the community garage sales are this weekend on the 16th and 17th.

Mr. Humphries stated to reiterate what Mr. Stivers thanked staff for showing up and hearing about their service abilities. He thanked Katelyn Koogler for reaching out to him once Mark, basically her stepfather, had been stable, she reached out and asked individually who was responsible for saving this man's life. To be able to put all that together, he appreciated her time and effort. He also thanked Chet Miles, the President of the Homeowners Association. He is the one that reaches out to the media to let people know about Carlisle's Garage Sales, so he got out the word to the Middletown Journal/Cox Newspaper.

Mr. Bicknell stated as part of this group he gets the privilege to serve on the JEMS Board which meets twice a month. He gets the privilege of seeing all those faces when they meet, and a lot of those faces come and sit down in those meetings and they're there and they listen and provide information if they have some. They want to know what's going on within all aspects of JEMS and all aspects of the City of Carlisle and Franklin Township. He doesn't necessarily know if that's rare because he doesn't know how other jurisdictions do it, but it seems rare for a Volunteer Firefighter or a JEMS employee to want to know all the ins and outs of the actual part of the business, not just they come in and do their job. He has said it before a lot, but these positions are not only lifesaving but they are life changing. Mr. Fuller's life was saved by their actions, but his life changed by their actions and everyone around him or involved was changed by that action. It was hard to sit up here and not be emotional by that entire aspect. It's a true gathering of people with one goal in mind. This City Council tries to present a vision that we think is going to be best for the town for the next five years and what we just witnessed was as community within a community providing a vision themselves without words. It was literally just the actions of the people in this room. He can't think of a better place to live than where he lives. He moved there 10 years ago and didn't know very much about Carlisle. He doesn't think he could call another place home like he calls this place home. It's a blessing to get to be a part of that. The building that is getting built there have been a lot of tireless hours that have been put to get to the position it's getting in and as the Mayor just said he thinks just how much closer it is to the citizens to where the next "Mr. Fuller situation" when the building is done, how much faster are they going to get there. How many more potential lives are going to be saved by the work and effort that's being put into these young women that have done it. It's astounding.

Mrs. Kemper wanted to say just how touching our meeting was tonight and the people and the team that came out here and a situation where for all of us, life is too short, but to show how these police officers, the JEMS and the 911 lady worked with the other lady to help Mr. Fuller, like said earlier, this is the outcome we want to see in the future. If there's a sick one in her family or in her home, she would want these to respond for her family because we never know. None of us know tomorrow, and this team that has worked together is just amazing and this meeting we had tonight, it just shows how we want to work to save our community and she loved everything that went on here tonight. She also thanked Will Bicknell for all the work he has done with the JEMS Board and all the time he has put in with the Franklin Township. She knows it's been a lot of work. When they went to the groundbreaking a couple weeks ago it was amazing, so she thanked him for all the hard work he has done. That was just so touching. She also wanted to welcome Chris Lohr to his first Council meeting tonight. There's been a lot going on and she wanted to welcome him aboard. She wanted to thank Leslie Holt for putting together the Memorial Day ceremony that she and the church worked on. It was an amazing event and all the people that came out, and she just wanted to give Leslie a thank you for doing that. She did post it on the Community Church website. That was an amazing memorial for all of the Veterans and she did all the work for that. So again, thank you to her and the Community Church. It's already been mentioned but the Garage Sales this weekend. Two weeks ago on Food Truck Night, Heather had decided to do giveaways. There were a number of our businesses that gave items for this giveaway. We had over 12 different gifts from the community and 120 people entered the drawing that night. She quickly wanted to thank Gross Lumber, Belair Salon, Country Peddler, Valley Real Estate, Dairy Queen, Bilbrey Marketing, Sassy Scissors, Bill Williams Auto Sales, A&G Pizza, Simply Brown Salon & Tan, and Vinny & Velvet. If you notice with some of those, we had lots of donors in the community and some outside the community who gave as well. She wanted to thank all of those. She just loves the community that we live in, and kudos to our Police Department, Fire and JEMS.

Mr. Faulkner didn't think there was much left to cover. He wanted to welcome Mr. Lohr to his first official meeting. He is wearing a lot of hats tonight, but they are looking forward to working with him and happy that he is here. He also thanked Cindy for helping out tonight and welcomed her as well.

Mayor Winkler closed Council Reports and moved on to the Mayor's Report.

Mayor's Report:

As Mr. Faulkner stated, he thinks everything has been covered very widely. He wanted to welcome Chris to his first meeting and, ladies and gentlemen of the City of Carlisle, Chris Lohr, our new City Manager is here and if he can be of assistance to any of you, he certainly will. He also welcomed Cindy who is working here to help out right now and he thanked her for all she is doing.

With that, he closed the Mayor's Report and will move on to the Manager's Report.

Manager's Report:

Mr. Lohr stated he does have full access to the website now, and was able to get in and start cleaning up some items like the Staff Directory, and saw some Term Limits that were not correct and things like

that. He will continue to do that as time allows. He mentioned in the weekly report that he sent out that we do have a contract signed for a new website. He will take a look at that. He told that company it's going to be at least 2-3 months before we could start that process, but in the meantime he's going to see if they are the best choice for us or if it might make sense to try to find somebody else for it. Mr. Faulkner asked if he had the cost for that as that was new to him. Mr. Lohr did not, but Mr. Kilpatrick stated he thought it was \$10K plus. Mr. Lohr said that wouldn't surprise him at all and he can get that information for them. We have the bid opening for the City paving program that's coming up on Tuesday next week, and then we'll have some more information on the type of prices we got for the year. He did want to mention that he has one interview scheduled next week for Planning and Zoning Administrator and is trying to get another one scheduled, so he is making some progress on that front.

Mayor Winkler closed the Manager's Report. He stated we have no Committee Reports, no Old Business or New Business. We also have no First Readings.

On Second and Third Readings of Ordinances and Resolutions, Resolution 12-23 adopting Fiscal Year 2024 Tax Budget and that is on for a Second Reading and that will be on for a Third Reading at our next meeting.

Committee Report:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

None.

Second and Third Readings of Ordinances and Resolutions:

RES. 10-23 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 TAX BUDGET FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE, OHIO. (2nd Reading)

Mayor Winkler stated that was on for a Second Reading and will be on for a Third Reading in our next meeting. The next meeting will be June 27, 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.

Resolution 13-23 submitting the question of levy for 0.5% income tax to Electors, also on for a Second Reading. Mr. Bicknell made a motion to postpone the Second Reading of Resolution 13-23 to the first meeting of July, seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick.

Roll Call:

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

Resolution 13-23 has been tabled to the meeting in July.

Mayor Winkler stated that is all they have on the agenda for tonight and asked if there was a motion to adjourn.

With no further discussion, Mr. Bicknell made a motion to adjourn, 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

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Date: _____

Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council