
MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.
760 CENTRAL AVENUE, CARLISLE, OHIO

Mayor Randy Winkler called the Carlisle, Ohio Municipal Council Regular Meeting of Tuesday, September 8, 2020 to order in Council Chambers at the Carlisle Town Hall building, 760 Central Avenue, Carlisle, Ohio. The meeting was opened at 7:03 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

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| Mrs. Debbie Kemper | present |
| Mr. Randal Jewett | absent |
| Mr. William Bicknell | present |
| Mrs. Kim Bilbrey | absent |
| Mr. Chris Stivers | present |
| Mr. Tim Humphries | present |
| Mayor Randy Winkler | present |

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

Mayor Winkler stated that Mr. Jewett is on his way back into town after a long weekend and Mrs. Bilbrey had a conflict this evening. Mrs. Kemper made a motion to excuse both Mr. Jewett and Mrs. Bilbrey from tonight's meeting; seconded by Mr. Stivers.

Roll Call:

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| Mrs. Kemper | yes |
| Mr. Bicknell | yes |
| Mr. Humphries | yes |
| Mr. Stivers | yes |
| Mayor Winkler | yes |

Mr. Jewett and Mrs. Bilbrey have been excused from tonight's meeting.

The minutes of August 25, 2020 were presented to Council for review. Mr. Bicknell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mrs. Kemper.

Roll Call:

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| Mr. Stivers | yes |
| Mr. Humphries | yes |
| Mrs. Kemper | yes |
| Mr. Bicknell | yes |
| Mayor Winkler | yes |

Minutes of August 25, 2020 have been approved.

Public Forum:

No members of the public approached Council.

Council Report:

Mrs. Kemper recognized the Railroad Days event as it was a bit different this year. She thanked Brian Morris and the Railroad Days committee for working so hard on this event and parade. She also thanked the food trucks that came out for the event. She thanked the Superintendent and the School Board for inviting Councilmembers to the Ribbon Cutting for the new school building. It is an amazing school and she knows the students and staff will be starting school next week and she wished them all a great year.

Mr. Bicknell gave a thank you to JEMS and the Carlisle Fire Department. There was an accident early Sunday morning that required Care Flight to be called. To his understanding the injuries came out to be minor but there was an entrapment of the driver. He cannot recall the name of the family that lived close to the accident but they were actually able to help the driver by extinguishing the fire before any first responders arrived. He thanked that family for coming to the driver's aid. It is just another great reason to live in Carlisle when there are acts of kindness like this. He prays that the individual involved in the accident is doing better.

Mr. Stivers was able to drive by the old "Dubois Apartments" and it has gotten so much better. All of the entrances have been landscaped, there is a new sign going up and it is looking better than it has in twenty years. He wanted to recognize them and all of the hardworking going into the complex. He also thanked our first responders in regards to the accident this past Sunday morning.

Mr. Humphries stated that Steve Navarra is the citizen that came to the aid of the driver in the accident on Sunday morning. He lives on the corner of Central Ave. As Mr. Bicknell said, he feels this was another positive action of living in a community and should be brought to everyone's attention. He went out on State Route 123 today towards Butter Street and then turned around and headed back. It is a 55mph road within German Township until you get to the Village of Carlisle and the first 35mph sign is not until just before Lantis. He would like to look into having a 35mph sign placed before the curve coming into Carlisle as well as looking into communications with German Township to make those last several yards coming into Carlisle a 35mph zone, down from 55mph leading into that turn. He believes that slowing the speed down into that curve could be very beneficial for safety. He wished his best to the School system and their opening next week.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Winkler thanked the School Board for asking Council to be a part of their Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. He also wanted to thank our volunteer Fire Department, JEMS and Police Department for their quick response as well as Mr. Navarra. At 3:00 am, getting up and going outside only to find there has been an accident with a vehicle on fire and someone possibly trapped can be startling. Then to jump in and save someone's life is a huge accomplishment. Being in a small community is sometimes the best place to be.

Manager's Report:

Mrs. Duffy announced to Council that our Police Chief has returned to work. He has been out on medical leave and is still on limited duties but his presence has been greatly missed over the past several weeks. She gave a special shout-out to Office Czarnota who did an excellent job in stepping up to cover the role of Police Chief and he kept the town running very smoothly. He has been a great asset to us over the last several years and we are very appreciative of his service. Although it is only September, she did remind citizens that voting will be upon us soon. There is still time to register to vote as October 5th is the last day for registration. The process gets easier and easier so please check out the website for either Warren or Montgomery counties Board of Election as both will link you to the Federal website for voter registration. The voting offices are also looking for poll workers this year as they have relied on older citizens to help and this year's pandemic is hindering that option. Volunteering your time at a poll location would greatly help your community.

Mr. Humphries asked if the Census door-to-door workers would be coming around the Village. Mrs. Duffy explained that she has not heard from Census workers but knows that there have been delays with the pandemic. Normally, they would be in the Village but she has not yet heard from them. She is assuming that they will be out soon.

Committee Report:

Mr. Humphries reviewed the meeting of the Recreation & Events Committee that met just prior to tonight's Council meeting. Their topic of discussion focused around the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. They are looking at the date of December 7th and the tree lighting will be in memory of Les Earnhart. They have put the spaghetti dinner on the backburner for this year but he would like to thank Rev. Larry Lam and the congregation of the Hillcrest Baptist Church for always allowing the Village to hold that event there. Work with Carlisle Community Church continues to possible have Santa and refreshments following the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Mrs. Kemper reminded citizens that there are several openings on various Boards and Commissions within the Village. Anyone looking to volunteer for their community, their help would be greatly appreciated. Openings can be found on our Village website at www.carlisleoh.org

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

RES. 19-20 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DESIGNATION OF AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT FOR 572 CENTRAL AVENUE AS REQUIRED BY ORC 929.02, AND IS ON AS AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Duffy explained to Council that this legislation is unique. If adopted, Carlisle would be the only agricultural district within a municipality in Warren County. This resolution is requesting that 572

Central Avenue which is currently owned by Mr. Kilpatrick be designated as agricultural district per the terms and conditions as established by the ORC. The applicant has applied for property tax consideration to be declared a CAUV district but to also be declared as an agricultural district as defined by the ORC. Talking with the Warren County Auditor, Matt Nolan, we are the only municipality that has ever had a property asked to be an agricultural district. This will allow a reduction on property tax through the CAUV and also gives the property more rights and protection from things like assessments, eminent domain or acquisition of right of way. It is not that these things cannot happen, it simply gives an added layer of protection to this property. This designation would be a five-year term. If, at any time, the use of the property would change, the County and/or Municipality can have the property re-evaluated to make sure that it still meets the standards set forth by the ORC. The resolution before Council has been reviewed by the County Auditor and would officially allow the property to be designated as an agricultural district as defined by ORC 929.02. There are option for Council to approve as recommended by the County Auditor's office, approve with modifications or deny the legislation. Should the application be denied as Council does not feel it meets the appropriate caveats, the applicant would have appeals rights through the normal process. The County Auditor believes it fits all checkboxes. Butler County does have approved designations in their area with modifications. A large area of undeveloped farm land was defined with a land use plan that showed there would be a need in the future to put in various infrastructure and roadways. This is one example of an agricultural district that was approved with modifications. In Carlisle's case, this land is already locked by developed residential property to the west and north. It has State Route 123 to the south that has already been widened so there is nothing on the current comprehensive plan or land use plan that declaring this an agricultural district would impede in the future. Staff is also comfortable with this designation. It is on as an emergency reading because the Village does have a timeline to respond back to the County Auditor who is also on a timeline to answer the petitioner's request. The applicant is in the audience this evening if Council would have any questions for him.

Mayor Winkler asked if he understood correctly that this designation would not require tax payments toward our fire levies. Mrs. Duffy explained that this property already qualifies for the CAUV exemption as farm land does so the property tax rate is different. This would have regardless of the agricultural district designation. The agricultural district would allow for the property owner to get the other layers of protection against eminent domain, acquisition of right of way and other assessments. This is simply a different level of property taxation.

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:

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| Mr. Humphries | yes |
| Mrs. Kemper | yes |
| Mr. Bicknell | yes |
| Mr. Stivers | yes |
| Mayor Winkler | yes |

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

Roll Call:

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| Mr. Humphries | yes |
| Mr. Bicknell | yes |
| Mr. Stivers | yes |
| Mrs. Kemper | yes |
| Mayor Winkler | yes |

Resolution passed on this day will be entered into Resolution Record Book as Res. 19-20.

Second and Third Readings of Ordinances and Resolutions:

ORD. 19-20 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CARLISLE ZONING CODE TO ADD SECTION 1274.08 – MOBILE FOOD VENDING (3RD READING)

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

Roll Call:

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| Mr. Bicknell | yes |
| Mr. Stivers | yes |
| Mr. Humphries | yes |
| Mrs. Kemper | yes |
| Mayor Winkler | yes |

Ordinance passed on this day will be entered into Ordinance Record Book as Ord. 19-20.

Mr. Humphries thanked Mr. Brad McIntosh for bringing this issue to Council back in March to initiate the temporary legislation that then led to this final legislation tonight. Even though Mr. McIntosh is no longer with Council, he wanted to acknowledge his initiation of this for the community.

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

Roll Call:

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| Mrs. Kemper | yes |
| Mr. Bicknell | yes |
| Mr. Humphries | yes |
| Mr. Stivers | yes |
| Mayor Winkler | yes |

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Date: 9-22-20

Randy Winkler
Mayor

Attest: [Signature]
Clerk of Council