



City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

The City of Kent, Ohio
Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be held virtually using the Zoom platform and livestreamed on the City of Kent YouTube Channel.

At 7:30 p.m., Mayor Jerry T. Fiala called the **Regular Meeting of Kent City Council** to order. Roll was taken.

PRESENT: Mr. Jack Amrhein; Mr. Michael DeLeone; Mr. John Kuhar; Ms. Gwen Rosenberg; Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish; Mr. Roger Sidoti; Mr. Robin Turner; Ms. Tracy Wallach

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Jerry T. Fiala, Mayor and President of Council; Mr. Dave Ruller, City Manager; Ms. Hope Jones, Law Director; Ms. Bridget Susel, Community Development Director; Ms. Melanie Baker, Public Service Director; Mr. Jim Bowling, City Engineer; Ms. Joan Seidel, Health Commissioner; Ms. Rhonda Hall, Budget and Finance Director; Mr. John Tosko, Fire Chief; Mr. Nick Shearer, Chief of Police; Ms. Amy Wilkens, Clerk of Council

ABSENT: Mr. Garret Ferrara

Mayor Fiala called upon Councilmember DeLeone for his opening remarks.

Mr. DeLeone commented that what a difference two weeks makes from January 6, 2021 until today. He watched some of the inauguration activities on television and believes the country is moving in the right direction. He then led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES of December 16, 2021, SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES of December 30, 2021 and PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES of January 6, 2021 made by Mr. DeLeone seconded by Mr. Sidoti, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 7-0-1, with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

Communication:

Public Comment: There were no visitors signed in to speak with Council.

Written Communications were reported by Clerk Wilkens and placed on file in the Clerk's office as follows:

1. Civil Service Meeting Agenda for December 21, 2020 meeting received December 18, 2020.
2. Special Meeting notification for the Planning Commission for January 26, 2021 received on January 7, 2021.

3. Board of Health Minutes and Statistical report for January 12, 2021 meeting received on January 11, 2021.
4. Standing Rock Cemetery Board Meeting Minutes from December 10, 2020 and Agenda for January 14, 2021 received on January 11, 2021.

Communications Received after Agenda Publication were reported by Clerk Wilkens and placed on file in the Clerk's office as follows:

1. Cancellation of the January Civil Service Meeting received on January 15, 2021. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 16, 2021 at 5:30 pm.
2. Parks and Recreation Board Packet for the January 21, 2021 meeting received on January 15, 2021.

City Manager's Report was called for by Mayor Fiala.

1. Request for Council's authorization to accept a \$1,500 donation to Kent Parks and Recreation from the Henry V and Frances W Christenson Foundation. (Draft #2021-009)
2. Request for Council's authorization to accept a \$50 donation to Kent Parks and Recreation from Susan and Douglas Smith on behalf of their granddaughter Ivy Liedel. (Draft #2021-009)
3. Request for Council's authorization to accept a \$40 donation to Kent Parks and Recreation from Jim and Nancy Arthur in memory of Charlie Beckwith. (Draft #2021-009)
4. Request for Council's authorization to accept a \$100 donation to Kent Parks and Recreation from the Kent Lions Club. (Draft #2021-009)
5. Request for Council's authorization to submit an Assistance to Firefighters grant application through FEMA (and allocate the grant funds if approved) in the amount of \$265,000 for the replacement of self-contained breathing units. (Draft# 2021-010)
6. Request Committee of the Whole time to review and update the items on the Pending list.
7. Request Health & Safety Committee time to provide Council with an update on COVID19 and the vaccine distribution.
8. Request Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee time to request Council's authorization to connect the new Express Wash business located in the Franklin Township on SR59 to the City's water line.
9. Request Land Use Committee time for Council's authorization of the River Bend East Dedication (Phase 5).
10. Request Community Development Committee time to present the City's annual Economic Development report for 2020.
11. Request Finance Committee time to request a 2021 Budget Appropriations Amendment.
12. Request Finance Committee time to ask for Council's authorization to submit a grant request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the Kent Environmental Commission to support the construction of a nesting habitat for Chimney Swifts in Kent.

MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS #1-12 OF THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, made by Mr. Amrhein, SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0.

STANDING COMMITTEES/ LEGISLATION

1) Committee of the Whole:

THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, January 20, 2021

MOTION TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES from January 6, 2021 made by Mr. DeLeone, SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg and CARRIED by a voice vote of 7-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

NO RECOMMENDED ACTIONS TO APPROVE

Voting for Boards and Commissions

MOTION TO APPOINT RICK HAWKSLEY and MARYJANE STONE TO THE Sustainability Commission made by Ms. Shaffer Bish SECONDED by Mr. Sidoti and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0.

Discussion:

Ms. Shaffer Bish stated both candidates are very capable people, with Mr. Hawksley being a previous councilmember having a strong interest and knowledge in regards to sustainability. She also knows MaryJayne Stone who is very excited to potentially serve on this committee and this will help bring back some enthusiasm to the Sustainability Commission.

MOTION TO MOVE NAMES INTO LEGISLATION made by Mr. Amrhein SECONDED by Mr. Kuhar and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0.

Draft No. 2021-001 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING RICK HAWKSLEY AND MARYJANE STONE TO THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Y, was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar, SECONDED by Mr. Sidoti. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner and Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT NO. 2021-001 made by Mr. Kuhar and SECONDED by Ms. Shaffer Bish. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner and Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

RESOLUTION 2021-001 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

2) Community Development Committee:
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MOTION TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES of January 6, 2021 made by Mr. Kuhar SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone and CARRIED by a voice vote of 7-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTION ITEM made by Mr. Kuhar, SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0.

Recommended Actions:

- 1) Authorize the proposed 10-year Enterprise Zone Agreement between the City and Davey Tree.

Draft No. 2021-002 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AN ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT WITH THE DAVEY TREE EXPERT COMPANY PROVIDING FOR A PROJECT AND REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO THE OHIO ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM (EZ), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar, SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach and Mr. Amrhein. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT NO. 2021-002 made by Ms. Kuhar and SECONDED by Ms. Shaffer Bish. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach and Mr. Amrhein. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-002 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens

3) Land Use Committee:

MOTION TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES of January 6, 2021 made by Ms. Shaffer Bish SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 7-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE LAND USE COMMITTEE ACTION ITEM made by Ms. Shaffer Bish, SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0.

Recommended Actions:

- 1) Authorize acceptance of the proposed street right of way for the new Dunkin' Donuts at 1625 S. Water Street

Draft No. 2021-003 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ACCEPT A STREET RIGHT OF WAY DEDICATION AT 1625 SOUTH WATER STREET (DUNKIN' DONUTS), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar, SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein and Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT NO. 2021-003 made Mr. Kuhar and SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein and Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-003 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

4) Streets, Sidewalks and Utilities Committee

NO COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OR RECOMMENDED ACTIONS TO APPROVE

5) Health and Public Safety Committee:

NO COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OR RECOMMENDED ACTIONS TO APPROVE

6) Finance Committee:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF January 6, 2021 made by Mr. DeLeone, seconded by Ms. Rosenberg, and CARRIED by a voice vote 7-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINANCE COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS made by Mr. DeLeone, SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0.

Recommended Actions:

- 1) Authorize the extension of the suspension of the City's share of the Kent parks and recreation development fees for another 6 months.
- 2) Approve the acceptance and appropriation of the Ohio grant funds in the amount of \$5,287.71.
- 3) Authorize the "necessity and intent" procedures for the SW Sanitary Pump Station.

Draft No. 2021-004 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020-39 TO EXTEND IMPOSING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE APPLICABILITY OF SECTION 1191.13 OF CHAPTER 1191, TITLED "CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND; MATCHING AMOUNT" AS IT PERTAINS TO THE CITY'S OBLIGATION TO MATCH DEVELOPER FEES PAID INTO THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR SIX (6) MONTHS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Ms. Shaffer Bish, SECONDED by Mr. Sidoti. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, and Ms. Rosenberg. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT NO. 2021-004 made by Mr. DeLeone, SECONDED by Ms. Shaffer Bish. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, and Ms. Rosenberg. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-004 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-005 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,287.71 FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF BALLISTIC VESTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar and seconded by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, and Ms. Shaffer Bish. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-005 made by Ms. Rosenberg and SECONDED by Mr. Kuhar. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, and Ms. Shaffer Bish. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-005 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-006 A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY AND INTENT OF THE CITY OF KENT TO APPROPRIATE A TEMPORARY EASEMENT IN 0.1054 ACRES AND A SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT IN 0.0229 ACRES OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FROM JOZEF NEUZIL FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING THE SOUTHWEST SANITARY PUMP STATION PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. DeLeone and SECONDED by Mr. Sidoti. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, and Mr. Turner. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-006 made by Mr. DeLeone and seconded by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, and Mr. Turner. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

RESOLUTION 2021-006 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-007 A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY AND INTENT OF THE CITY OF KENT TO APPROPRIATE A TEMPORARY EASEMENT IN 0.1546 ACRES AND A SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT IN 0.0229 ACRES OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FROM STEVEN J. SMITH FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING THE SOUTHWEST SANITARY PUMP STATION PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. DeLeone and SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, and Mr. Sidoti. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-007 made by Mr. DeLeone and seconded by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, and Mr. Sidoti. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

RESOLUTION 2021-007 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-008 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-126, PASSED ON DECEMBER 16, 2020, THE POSITION ALLOCATION AND GENERAL COMPENSATION PLAN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Ms. Wallach and seconded by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, and Mr. Turner. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No.2021-008 made by Mr. DeLeone and seconded by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, and Mr. Turner. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-008 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-009 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING FOUR (4) DONATIONS TO THE CITY OF KENT PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Amrhein and SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, and Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-009 made by Mr. DeLeone and SECONDED by Ms. Shaffer Bish. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, and Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-009 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-010 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE KENT FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR THE FY 2020 AFG GRANT THROUGH FEMA, AND TO ACCEPT ANY GRANT, IF AWARDED, WITH CORRESPONDING APPROPRIATIONS OF FUNDS WHICH PROVIDES FUNDING FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar and seconded by Ms. Shaffer Bish. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Mr. Amrhein, and Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-010 made by Mr. Kuhar and seconded by Mr. Sidoti. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Mr. Amrhein, and Ms. Wallach The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-010 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Unfinished Business: NONE

New Business:

Ms. Wallach stated there is a new business in her ward that has just added a new piece of equipment and it is making low frequency noises. She would like to put into the appropriate committee a review of these low frequency noises and setting up parameters. She added low frequency noises can cause headaches, sleeplessness, irritability and lack of concentration. These noises go through windows and houses so it is harder to shut them out. She would like to have a discussion to set some parameters for low frequency noises.

MOTION TO MOVE TO A COMMITTEE A DISCUSSION REGARDING LOW FREQUENCY NOISES made by Ms. Wallach SECONDED by Ms. Shaffer Bish and CARRIED by a voice vote of 7-1-0 with Mr. Kuhar voting "No".

Discussion:

Ms. Wallach said she had walked around the business and equated it to when cars are driving by with the bass turned up. She said this is detrimental to your health.

Ms. Shaffer Bish said there are different kinds of pollution and noise is one. It is worthy of investigation.

Mr. Kuhar does not support the motion because if the apparatus is in the industrial zone, they are exempt from the noise ordinance.

Council Comments:

Ms. Shaffer Bish stated today is a historical day and she is wearing her pearls in honor of Kamala Harris' swearing in as the first woman in the Executive Office of the United States of America as the Vice President. Ms. Shaffer Bish added Kamala Harris is also the first person of color in that office. She feels very proud of the nation and its transition of power and for this historic time.

Mr. Turner commented on the inauguration of the new President (of the United States) and said he is hopeful we have an opportunity now to focus on the business of the people, unify and attempt to start moving forward. These have been four very contentious years, whether or not you have one view or another. We really have to move this country together and forward, irrespective of your views, and focus on the best interest of this nation. He prays the new President will be given the wisdom to make the correct decisions on how to make life better for ourselves and future generations. He is prayerful that we can become America again.

Mr. Sidoti said that there was a presentation at Rotary by Dr. Ellie Yanchar who graduated from Roosevelt High School who was on the front lines in New York City helping with Covid. Right now, she is serving the homeless. After her talk, a lot of people approached her because of concern in the community about how to take a more proactive approach. A lot of people do not understand homelessness and the reasons for it and there are enough people in the community to get some support for the Miller House or other organizations and to take a closer look. Mr. Sidoti asked

what could the community do to raise awareness and figure out how to help those “under the bridge” and for whatever reason are homeless. He encouraged all to watch the Rotary meeting on YouTube.

Mr. Kuhar commented that we have a new President, which would not have been his first choice, but that he thinks he is a good man and will hopefully be a good President. He adds he wanted to thank the last president because of his accomplishments. It's obvious he has a colorful personality which he did not always agree with, but if you look at all of his accomplishments, regardless of your race, gender, etc., he did something for you. Mr. Kuhar said he will respect the office of whoever is that office and will respect the new choice and will continue to be a better nation.

Ms. Wallach added she visited Ms. Rosenberg at Popped! and that it was nice to see someone in person.

Mr. Amrhein said he wanted to give a shout out to the City's Health Board, of which he sits on. He is in awe of Joan Siedel and her staff. They are being slammed right now and are the utmost professional. He sits on the Board with an epidemiology professor, two registered nurses, a pharmacist and a health sociologist and is very proud of the Health Department.

Ms. Rosenberg acknowledged it was good to see Ms. Wallach in the store. She then extended a most heartfelt gratitude to the Kent Police Officers who were injured in the line of duty this week. Words cannot not express the gratitude of the Kent Police risking their lives to save residents, especially in a situation where we are dealing with children. Her absolute heartfelt gratitude and thanks go to them and she wishes the officers a speedy recover. She also thanked dispatch and the Kent Fire Department and the huge coordinated effort and she is so pleased with the outcome that everyone survived.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Fiala mentioned a documentary “Under Fire; Strike Breaker in Kent, Ohio” he saw on PBS regarding the strike breakers at the Black and Decker company in 1935. It was a really good show that showcased history of the Kent industrial area and encouraged all to see it.

Mr. Kuhar added there was also a truck strike back in the 1970's.

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.



Amy Wilkens
Clerk of Council



Jerry T. Fiala
Mayor and President of Council