



City of Kent
Wednesday, May 3, 2023
Joint Franklin Township/Kent City
Council Meeting
320 S. Depeyster Street, Kent, OH 44240

MINUTES

7:00 P.M. Joint Franklin Township/Kent City Council Meeting

At 7:00 p.m., Mayor Jerry T. Fiala called the Joint Franklin Township/Kent City Council Meeting to order.

Present: Mr. Jack Amrhein, Mr. Michael DeLeone, Mr. Garret Ferrara, Mr. John Kuhar, Ms. Gwen Rosenberg, Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish, Mr. Roger Sidoti, Mr. Robin Turner, Ms. Kellie Kapusta, Mr. Glenn Russell

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, Service Director; Mr. Jim Bowling, City Engineer; Ms. Joan Seidel, Health Commissioner; Ms. Rhonda Hall, Budget and Finance Director; Mr. Nick Shearer, Chief of Police; Mr. John Seidel, Civil Service Coordinator; Mr. Erik Fink, Assistant Law Director; Ms. Sheri Chestnutwood, Service Department Administrative Assistant; Ms. Amy Wilkens, Clerk of Council

Absent: Mr. Scott Swan, Franklin Township Trustee

MOTION TO APPOINT GLENN RUSSELL TO THE STANDING ROCK CEMETERY BOARD MADE BY Ms. Kellie Kapusta, SECONDED by Mr. Michael DeLeone and CARRIED by a voice vote of 11-0-0.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE DRAFTS NUMBERS 2023-024, 2023-025, and 2023-026 MADE BY Mr. Michael DeLeone, SECONDED by Mr. Roger Sidoti and CARRIED by a voice vote of 11-0-0.

DRAFT JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-024 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP AND THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO, PURSUANT TO OHIO RE-VISED CODE SECTION 759.34 DETERMINING THAT THE RATE OF TAXES TO BE LEVIED UPON ALL THE TAXABLE PROPERTY OF SAID MUNICIPALITY AND SAID TOWNSHIP FOR CEMETERY PURPOSES FOR THE TAX YEAR OF 2023 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS FIXED IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO .60 MILLS FOR THE CITY OF KENT AND .60 MILLS FOR FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS OF Draft Joint Resolution No. 2023-024 MADE by Mr. John Kuhar, SECONDED by Ms. Gwen Rosenberg. On Roll Call Voting "Yes" Mr. Jack Amrhein, Mr. Michael DeLeone, Mr. Garret Ferrara, Mr. John Kuhar, Ms. Gwen Rosenberg, Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish, Mr. Roger Sidoti, Mr. Robin Turner, Ms. Tracy Wallach, Ms. Kellie Kapust, Mr. Glenn Russell. The motion was CARRIED by a roll call vote of 11-0-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-024 MADE by Mr. John Kuhar, SECONDED by Mr. Garret Ferrara. On Roll Call Voting "Yes" Mr. Jack Amrhein, Mr. Michael DeLeone, Mr. Garret Ferrara, Mr. John Kuhar, Ms. Gwen Rosenberg, Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish, Mr. Roger Sidoti, Mr. Robin Turner, Ms. Tracy Wallach, Ms. Kellie Kapust, Mr. Glenn Russell. The motion was CARRIED by a roll call vote of 11-0-0.

JOINT RESOLUTION 2023-024 PASSED.

DRAFT JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-025 A JOINT RESOLUTION APPOINTING GLENN RUSSELL, A MEMBER OF FRANKLIN TWP. TRUSTEES, TO THE STANDING ROCK CEMETERY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 759.36, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS OF DRAFT JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-025 by Mr. Garret Ferrara, SECONDED by Ms. Tracy Wallach. On Roll Call Voting "Yes" Mr. Jack Amrhein, Mr. Michael DeLeone, Mr. Garret Ferrara, Mr. John Kuhar, Ms. Gwen Rosenberg, Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish, Mr. Roger Sidoti, Mr. Robin Turner, Ms. Tracy Wallach, Ms. Kellie Kapusta. Mr. Russell abstained. The motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 10-0-1.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-025 MADE by Mr. John Kuhar, SECONDED by Mr. Robin Turner. On Roll Call Voting "Yes" Mr. Jack Amrhein, Mr. Michael DeLeone, Mr. Garret Ferrara, Mr. John Kuhar, Ms. Gwen Rosenberg, Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish, Mr. Roger Sidoti, Mr. Robin Turner, Ms. Tracy Wallach, Ms. Kellie Kapusta. Mr. Russell abstained. The motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 10-0-1.

JOINT RESOLUTION 2023-025 PASSED.

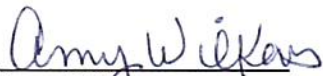
DRAFT JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-026 A JOINT RESOLUTION GRANTING SALARY AND HOURLY PAY RAISES TO THE PERSONNEL OF THE STANDING ROCK CEMETERY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS OF DRAFT JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-026 MADE by Mr. Michael DeLeone, SECONDED by Mr. Roger Sidoti. On Roll Call Voting "Yes" Mr. Jack Amrhein, Mr. Michael DeLeone, Mr. Garret Ferrara, Mr. John Kuhar, Ms Gwen Rosenberg, Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish, Mr. Roger Sidoti, Mr. Robin Turner, Ms. Tracy Wallach, Ms. Kellie Kapusta and Mr. Russell. The motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 11-0-0.

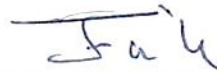
MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-026 MADE by Mr. Roger Sidoti, SECONDED by Mr. Michael DeLeone. On Roll Call Voting "Yes" Mr. Jack Amrhein, Mr. Michael DeLeone, Mr. Garret Ferrara, Mr. John Kuhar, Ms Gwen Rosenberg, Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish, Mr. Roger Sidoti, Mr. Robin Turner, Ms. Tracy Wallach, Ms. Kellie Kapusta and Mr. Russell. The motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 11-0-0.

JOINT RESOLUTION 2023-026 PASSED.

There were no further actions and the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.



Amy Wilkens
Clerk of Council



Jerry T. Fiala
Mayor & President of Council