



# City of Kent

## Special City Council Meeting

319 S. Water Street, Kent, Ohio 44240

January 14, 2026

### MINUTES

At 7:00pm, Mayor Jack Amrhein called the Special City Council meeting to order.

Present: Ms. Melissa Celko; Mr. Jeff Clapper; Mr. Chris Hook; Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish; Mr. Benjamin Tipton; Ms. Tracy Wallach; Ms. Sarah Wesley

Also Present: Mr. Jack Amrhein, Mayor and President of Council; Ms. Kathy Coleman, Clerk of Council; Ms. Hope Jones, Law Director

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**MOTION TO EXCUSE MR. TURNER** was made by Ms. Shaffer Bish, seconded by Mr. Hook and carried by unanimous voice vote.

#### INTERVIEWS FOR WARD 2 COUNCIL POSITION

Council interviewed Mr. Eric Dreger, Mr. Michael Lindow, and Mr. Christopher Clevenger for the position of Ward 2 Council person. Candidates were advised that the vote would take place, and the appointee sworn in, at the January 21, 2026 regular Council meeting and were encouraged to attend. If the selected candidate were unable to attend, the swearing in could take place at another time.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:04, Mr. Clapper made a motion to move into executive session to discuss the appointment of the Ward 2 Council position. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hook.

#### RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AND ADJOURN

There being no further business, Mr. Clapper moved and Ms. Celko seconded the adjournment of the meeting at 9:03pm.

Kathleen Coleman  
Clerk of Council

Jack Amrhein  
Mayor and President of Council