

**KETTERING CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 9, 2019**

The Council of the City of Kettering, Ohio, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Kettering Government Center South Building, 3600 Shroyer Road. Mayor Patterson presided and the Clerk of Council, LaShaunah D. Kaczynski, recorded. This meeting was telecast live on the cable access channel.

Council Members Present: Patterson, Klepacz, Fisher, Scott, Duke, and Wanamaker

Council Members Absent: Lautar (Excused)

Total Members Present: Six (6)

Mayor Patterson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation. He introduced the cable TV operators Liberty Lord and Mike Sopronyi. The Page this evening was Lilee Vest from St. Albert the Great School. He thanked them for their assistance.

Mayor Patterson mentioned that Mr. Lautar has an excused absence.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 26, 2019- Council Meeting & Workshop Minutes

Mr. Duke reported that he reviewed the above minutes and moved the minutes be approved. Mr. Wanamaker seconded the motion of the above minutes and there being four (4) yea votes, two (2) abstain votes (Mr. Scott and Mrs. Fisher) and no (0) nay votes for the March 26, 2019 Council Meeting & Workshop Minutes the motion was declared carried by roll call vote.

PROCLAMATIONS, SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS, SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS, APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Appointment- Volunteer Advisory Council- Chris Wright (Term ending 12/31/21)

Mayor Patterson made a motion to appoint Chris Wright to the Volunteer Advisory Council. Mr. Klepacz seconded the motion followed by a unanimous like sign vote.

Proclamation- Arbor Day

Mr. Klepacz read the above proclamation and same was accepted by Gary Schussler, Parks Superintendent. Mr. Schussler mentioned that the City of Kettering has been named a Tree City for 36 years, and there are only a handful of cities in Ohio that have this type of recognition. What better way to celebrate that accomplishment than by planting trees in Pondview Park. Many ash trees have been remove throughout the city, and Pondview has felt that devastating lost. This year, the city has partnered with Fiver Rivers Metro Parks who has donated 150 trees to plant on Arbor Day. On Arbor Day, there will be a bike ride between 7:30-8:00 a.m. at Lincoln Park and the ride will end at Pondview Park. Planting of trees will take place from 9:00 a.m.-noon.

Proclamation- National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

Mr. Scott read the above proclamation and same was accepted by Alberta Feil, Dispatcher. Ms. Feil thanked City Council on behalf of all the dispatchers within the Police Department for their continued support.

Mayor Patterson thanked Ms. Feil and all of the dispatchers for everything they do. They speak with our residents or people traveling throughout our community at very difficult times. He appreciates their calm nature and how they take care of Kettering residents.

Proclamation- National Volunteer Week

Mrs. Fisher read the above proclamation and same was accepted by Kari Basson, Chairperson of Volunteer Advisory Council. Ms. Basson mentioned this is the 40th anniversary of the volunteer program in Kettering. She accepts this proclamation with a great sense of pride on behalf of National Volunteer Week, Volunteer Office, Volunteer Advisory Council, and all of the volunteers who serve the Kettering community. The City of Kettering was one of the first cities in the nation to establish a formalized volunteer program. What began in 1979 with a group of volunteers planting marigolds in the mediums of the streets has expanded to encompass the talents and skills of more than 1,000 individuals dedicated to serving Kettering in a variety of capacities. We are thankful for our volunteers who allow us to enhance our day-to-day operations, expand programs and events, and strengthen our neighborhoods. This program has served as a model program for cities across the United States. The success of the program relies heavily on the support of Mayor Patterson, City Council, City staff, and all of the volunteers who create a dynamic team for continual improvement and community pride in Kettering; which is the city of volunteers.

Award Presentation- Mayor's Award

Kari Basson, Chairperson of Volunteer Advisory Council made the presentation this evening. Ms. Basson mentioned that the Mayor's Award was created in 1983 as a way to honor outstanding volunteers who are making valuable contributions to the community through volunteer service. Recipients of this award must either be a resident of Kettering or volunteer for the city. Tonight in celebration of volunteer week, she is pleased to honor an adult volunteer and a youth volunteer. Sasha Whitaker is a senior at Fairmont High School, and her family includes her mother Andrea Kennedy, father James Whitaker, step-mother Kelly Whitaker, and half- sister Jessica Whitaker. Sasha's volunteer efforts include working with Dayton Honor Flight where she reports to the airport at 2:00 a.m. on flight days to greet veterans and provide assistance to their trip to Washington, D.C. She also returns in the evening to welcome them home. At the age of 16, she served as a flight guardian to two of the veterans who were going to Washington, D.C. one of whom was in a wheelchair. This was an unusual charge for a teenager but one she handled well. She also is an active volunteer with SISCA, and she is known to help pickup animals and the supplies needed to care for them at a moment's notice. Without her help, these animals might not have the chance for adoption. Sasha lost her grandmother to ALS, and she has participated in the Dayton walk to defeat ALS since 2005. For the past several years, she has been part of the planning committee where she has many duties to uphold. She has also been a student council member at the middle school and high school levels, a member of the National Honor Society, serves as a peer tutor, and volunteers at the Kettering Childhood Education Center. Sasha's volunteer efforts are extensive and impressive. She exemplifies the meaning of service to our community. Her dedication and selflessness serves as a true model for both youth and adults. Sasha plans to attend The Ohio State University in the fall, and plans to pursue her degree in early childhood education. Mayor Patterson presented Miss Whitaker with a certificate and a clock.

Ms. Basson mentioned that the adult volunteer recipient is Rick Moreton. Mr. Moreton is married to Stephanie and they reside in Savannah, which is a 53 mile commute one way to Kettering. The couple also has a son named Austin. Mr. Moreton began volunteering with the City of Kettering back in 2013 and to date has donated over 1,350 hours of service to our community. His volunteer work includes helping with the city's Christmas open house at Polen Farm, greeting guest at Frazee Pavilion, and greeting visitors at Kettering Connection. Mr. Moreton also provides insight to city staff about adaptability and inclusion. In addition to his volunteer work for the city, Mr. Moreton also works part-time for Nike. One of Mr. Moreton's nominators had this to say about his work at Kettering Connection, "Many people visiting Kettering Connection are desperate for help with very difficult situations. Some have lost spouses, friends, and even children. Rick is comfortable enough to discuss the sad times and to celebrate the happy times. He creates a positive and welcoming atmosphere". When Mr. Moreton was asked the reason why he travels so far to volunteer for the city, he mentioned there is no better place than to serve the Kettering community. Mr. Moreton always makes an effort to promote events or activities that are sponsored by the city. Another nominator noted that "Rick is a very caring individual. He has a great sense of humor and a strong desire to help others. He is an inspiration who has overcome obstacles, and chooses to live his life fully". Ms. Basson is grateful to have shared the past six years with him, and has watch how he uses his gifts to be of service to others despite his challenges. He ensures each person he comes into contact with feels valued. Mayor Patterson presented Mr. Moreton with a certificate and a clock.

Mayor Patterson congratulated both of the winners. You can tell by their resumes they are two very special people. It is always a privilege to do an award for an adult winner and a youth winner. We appreciate their hard work, and thank you to family and friends who have come to support both of the winners this evening.

PUBLIC HEARINGSPUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATIONORDINANCES IN SECOND READINGRESOLUTIONS

A RESOLUTION

NO: 10294-19

BY: MR.KLEPACZ AND MRS.FISHER

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT FOR INSTALLATION OF NETWORK CABLING AND RELATED APPURTENANCES IN LINCOLN PARK

Mr. Klepacz read the above resolution and moved for approval. Mrs. Fisher seconded the motion.

Mr. Schwieterman, City Manager gave a brief description of the resolution.

The following votes were recorded: Mr. Klepacz, Yea; Mrs. Fisher, Yea; Mr. Scott, Yea; Mr. Duke, Yea; Mr. Wanamaker, Yea; Mayor Patterson, Yea. There being six (6) Yea votes and no (0) Nay votes, the motion was declared carried and the resolution duly adopted.

ORDINANCES IN FIRST READING

CERTIFICATIONS AND PETITIONS

MANAGER'S REPORT/COMMUNITY UPDATE

Mr. Schwieterman, City Manager updated Council on upcoming and community events.

- Crews will make one pass through the entire city beginning April 15 to collect any remaining leaves from fall.
- Coming to the Frazee:
 - Sheryl Crow- Wednesday, July 10 at 7:30 p.m.
 - Jake Owen- Saturday, July 27 at 6:30 p.m.
 - Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons- Friday, August 16 at 7:30 p.m.Tickets can be purchased to all events at the Frazee Pavilion Ticket Office, Frazee Fanfare store located in Town & Country Shopping Center, www.fraze.com, www.etix.com or charge-by-phone at 1-800-514-3849.
- City income tax forms are available on the city's website at www.ketteringoh.org and forms are also available to be picked up at the Kettering Tax Department lobby- above the Police Department.
- Beginning the week of April 15 compost and mulch material may be picked up from the bins at Indian Riffle Park.
- Mark your calendars for the annual Kettering Block Party, which will be held on Wednesday, June 12 at Lincoln Park Civic Commons/ Frazee Pavilion from 6-8 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS NOT ON WRITTEN AGENDA

Audience Participation (5 Minute Limit per Speaker)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Lautar reported:

- Absent.

Mr. Duke reported:

- On April 3 Kettering Rotary Club honored the Firefighter of the Year Pete Burcham.
- On April 4 there were 40 residents who attended the Ridgeway Bridge public meeting.
- There are three Kettering Leadership Academy class members in the audience this evening.
- Applications are now available for the Kettering Leadership Academy class of 2020.

Mr. Wanamaker reported:

- No report.

Mr. Scott reported:

- No report.

Mr. Klepacz reported:

- On March 29 he attended the We Care Arts Beach Party Auction.
- Shop Kettering.

Mrs. Fisher reported:

- Congratulations to the Mayor's Award recipients.
- On April 5 she attended a Habitat Home Dedication.

Mayor Patterson reported:

- On March 29 he attended the We Care Arts Beach Party Auction.
- On April 3-5 he represented the city at the DDC Fly-In.

They're being no further business to come before this meeting of the Kettering City Council; Mayor Patterson adjourned the City Council Meeting at 8:03 p.m.

ATTEST:

DONALD E. PATTERSON, MAYOR

LaShaunah D. Kaczynski
Clerk of Council