

**KETTERING CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
June 8, 2021**

The Council of the City of Kettering, Ohio, met in regular session on Tuesday, June 8, 2021, 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 and streamed live at mvcc.net.

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

Council Members Absent: None

Total Members Present: Six (6)

Mayor Patterson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 25, 2021- Council Meeting & Workshop Minutes

Mr. Lautar reported that he reviewed the above minutes and moved the minutes be approved. Mrs. Fisher seconded the motion of the above minutes and there being six (6) yea votes and no (0) nay votes for the May 25, 2021 Council Meeting & Workshop Minutes, the motion was declared carried followed by a roll call vote.

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

Proclamation- Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Mr. Klepacz read the above proclamation.

Proclamation- Denouncing Racism

Mrs. Fisher read the above proclamation and same was accepted by Tawana Jones, Chairperson of the Board of Community Relations. Ms. Jones wanted to take a moment and recognize members of the Board of Community Relations who are here this evening; Lisa Duvall, Bill Tschirhart and Gwen Owen and also those members who are not present this evening; Elom Dossa, Frank Ecklar, Jyl Hall-Smith and Cathy Spaugy. Ms. Jones would like to thank the Board of Community Relations for their volunteer service to the community. She would also like to thank city council for adopting this proclamation this evening and she would especially like to thank Jacque Fisher for her diligence. She would also like to submit her appreciation to city staff members Angela Brown and Andria Perkins for all of their guidance during the pandemic. Ms. Jones mentioned the board is looking forward to finally meeting in person and move forward with some of the initiatives they have in mind now that they have this proclamation. The board is looking into initiatives that include diversity and equity inclusion and she is hoping to return before city council to discuss these issues. She is very thankful for the proclamation this evening and the continued support city council has for the Board of Community Relations.

Mayor Patterson thanked Ms. Jones for all of her work to help denounce racism and he looks forward to all of the work still yet to do.

Presentation- Gatorade Play it Forward

MaryBeth O'Dell, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts made the presentation this evening. Mrs. O'Dell mentioned this presentation was slated April of 2020, but due to COVID-19 it had to be delayed. She is honored to represent the Kettering Park Foundation as they were a recipient of a \$1,000 grant from the 2020 Gatorade Ohio Basketball Player of the Year Madeline Westbeld. The Gatorade Play it Forward initiative works in conjunction with the Gatorade Player of the Year Program to empower student athletes by providing resources to sports organizations within their communities. Madeline's gift will provide 1,000 Kettering kids the opportunity to participate in open gym at the Kettering Recreation Complex from September 7, 2021 through December 17, 2021. The entire Westbeld family is here this evening and she would like to invite Madeline, Susan, Jim, Adam, Ben and Cathleen down to the podium. Ms. O'Dell mentioned at this time she will read a bio Susan Westbeld (mother) had put together regarding her daughter Madeline.

Madeline Westbeld is the daughter of James and Susan Westbeld of Kettering, Ohio. She has received many awards, including 2021 WBCA All- American Regional Finalist, 2021 ACC Rookie of the Year, 2021 First-Team All ACC, 2021 ACC All Freshman Team, 2021 All- Academic Team, Rookie of the Week (December 7, 2020 and January 3, 2021), 2020 ACC Newcomer Watch List and Ohio Miss Basketball. She is the only basketball player in the State of Ohio (male or female) to be selected as McDonald's All-American for 2020. Madeline is an unbelievable teammate, friend and sister. Madeline has a remarkable character which she loves others and is selfless, putting others

before herself and one of the hardest workers anyone will ever find. She is passionate about whatever she chooses to do and does the right thing. Madeline doesn't complain and when she sees something wrong she does what she can to discuss the problem and come up with a solution. She is intelligent and truly thinks about how to make things better and how to make the world better. She will not tolerate gossip and gently puts her hand up for that person to stop. Madeline takes charge and she is a leader that is not afraid to speak her mind. Madeline knows what she wants and is decisive and goes after it. Madeline has been told by multiple people that she is a peacemaker and her presence is calming (unless she is playing basketball against you). When Madeline's dad was asked to describe her he said she is pretty. Madeline is a graduate of Fairmont High School and now attends University of Notre Dame where she plays basketball. Madeline's sister Catherine graduated from the University of Notre Dame after winning the national championship in women's basketball and Catherine also won a state championship with her team from Fairmont High School in 2014. Madeline is getting ready to travel to Hungary to train for U.S.A Basketball. Madeline grew-up in Kettering, Ohio and she would like to give back to her city. She truly cares about the future of kids and adults and often thinks about how she can improve lives. She has an idea to come up with a charity to help the homeless and those in poverty so that they may be able to help themselves and be successful. Mrs. O'Dell congratulated Miss Westbeld on being named the 2020 Gatorade Ohio Basketball Player of the Year and recipient of the Play it Forward Grant. Mrs. O'Dell presented the Westbeld Family with the Gatorade Play if Forward Grant check.

Mayor Patterson thanked the Westbeld family for coming to the council meeting this evening. He also thanked the family for bringing recognition to the Kettering community and wished the family all the best in their future. What he enjoyed hearing the most is that Miss. Westbeld wanted to give back to the Kettering community. Mayor Patterson expressed that the Westbelds are always welcome to come back to the Kettering community and he really appreciates their generosity.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATION

ORDINANCES IN SECOND READING

RESOLUTIONS

A RESOLUTION  
NO: 10580-21  
BY: MR.KLEPACZ AND MR.LAUTAR

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT AND ADMINISTER A \$1,000.00 GRANT FROM THE KETTERING PARKS FOUNDATION

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

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

The following votes were recorded: Mr. Klepacz, Yea; Mr. Lautar, Yea; Mrs. Fisher, 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.

A RESOLUTION  
NO: 10581-21  
BY: MR.LAUTAR AND MRS.FISHER

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR A COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY

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

Mr. Robillard, Planning & Development Director gave a brief description of the resolution.

The following votes were recorded: Mr. Klepacz, Yea; Mr. Lautar, Yea; Mrs. Fisher, 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.

A RESOLUTION  
NO: 10582-21  
BY: MRS.FISHER AND MR.DUKE

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) TO ALLOW THE CITY OF KETTERING TO SERVE AS RESPONSIBLE LEAD AGENCY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE DANUBE COURT BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT (CITY PROJECT NO. 03-924A; ODOT PROJECT MOT-DANUBE CT BRIDGE REHAB, PID 114100)

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

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

The following votes were recorded: Mr. Klepacz, Yea; Mr. Lautar, Yea; Mrs. Fisher, 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.

A RESOLUTION  
NO: 10583-21  
BY: MR.DUKE AND MR.WANAMAKER

TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF KETTERING, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

Mr. Duke read the above resolution and moved for approval. Mr. Wanamaker seconded the motion.

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

The following votes were recorded: Mr. Klepacz, Yea; Mr. Lautar, Yea; Mrs. Fisher, 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. Gorsuch, Economic Development Manager updated Council on upcoming and community events.

- To download a block party request form residents can visit the city's website or call the Engineering Office at 937-296-2436.
- Additional space is available for 2021 summer camps. For additional information visit the city's website at [www.ketteringoh.org](http://www.ketteringoh.org).
- Celebrate summer by joining an awesome team of volunteers at the Frazee. For more information contact the Volunteer Office at 937-296-2433.
- Ask A Nurse program will begin each Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Kettering Connection located inside Town & Country.
- Applications are now available for the Kettering Leadership Academy. Applications can be found at the city's website at [www.ketteringoh.org](http://www.ketteringoh.org).
- Coming to the Frazee:
  - STYX- Friday, July 23 at 7:30 p.m.
  - Casting Crowns- Wednesday, July 28 at 7:30 p.m.
  - Daughtry- Saturday, July 31 at 8:00 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased at the FrazeeFan Fare store located in Town & Country Shopping Center, [www.fraze.com](http://www.fraze.com), [www.etix.com](http://www.etix.com) or charge-by-phone at 1-800-514-3849.

- To learn more or to nominate a neighbor for the city's Neighborhood Pride Award contact the Volunteer Office at 937-296-2433.
- The city is looking for a volunteer resident to serve on the city's Planning Commission. Interested residents can visit the city's website to download an application.

Mr. Gorsuch mentioned that he has 35 years of local government service and this evening will be his last city council meeting. He would like to take this time to thank Mayor Patterson and city council members for giving him the privilege to serve the residents of this city for the past 18 years. He would also like to express his gratitude to Mr. Schwieterman for allowing him to serve side-by-side with the best city manager in the country. He and Mr. Schwieterman have worked on many economic development projects over the years and they have won far more than they have lost, but the greatest attribute about working with the City of Kettering is you get to work with the best employees. That starts with city council and goes down the line. He is hopeful his words and actions throughout his

career have served the residents, employees and council proud. Mr. Gorsuch expressed he hopes he is leaving behind a positive impact and is leaving the city a better place than what it was 18 years ago. Kettering is home to all of the greatest things in life and he is thankful for the opportunity.

OTHER BUSINESS NOT ON WRITTEN AGENDA

Audience Participation (5 Minute Limit per Speaker)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Lautar reported:

- Congratulations to Mr. Gorsuch on his retirement from the city.

Mr. Duke reported:

- Kettering Leadership Academy is still accepting applications.
- Thank you Mr. Gorsuch for his professionalism over the years.

Mr. Wanamaker reported:

- Congratulations to Maddy Westbeld on receiving the Gatorade Play it Forward Award.
- Congratulations to Mr. Gorsuch on his retirement.

Mr. Klepacz reported:

- On May 29 he attended a veteran memorial at Community Golf Course.
- On June 7 he attended a virtual ribbon cutting for Kettering Health Network On-Demand Care Center located in Town & Country.
- Shop Kettering.
- Thank you Mr. Gorsuch for his dedication to the city.

Mrs. Fisher reported:

- Nothing to report.

Mayor Patterson reported:

- On June 7 he participated in a ribbon cutting for Kettering Health Network On-Demand Care Center.
- On June 8 the Kettering Police Department welcomed Officer Timothy Kim.
- Congratulations to Maddy Westbeld on receiving the Gatorade Play it Forward Award.
- Mr. Gorsuch will be missed and congratulations on his retirement.

They're being no further business to come before this meeting of the Kettering City Council; Mayor Patterson adjourned the City Council Meeting at 8:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

LaShaunah D. Kaczynski  
Clerk of Council

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DONALD E. PATTERSON, MAYOR