

**KETTERING CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 22, 2022**

The Council of the City of Kettering, Ohio, met in regular session on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Kettering Government Center South Building, 3600 Shroyer Road. Mayor Lehner 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: Lehner, Fisher, Klepacz, Hall, Scott, Duvall and Duke

Council Members Absent: None

Total Members Present: Seven (7)

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

Mayor Lehner introduced the Miami Valley Communications Council TV Operator Mike Sopronyi. She thanked him for his assistance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 8, 2022- Council Meeting & Workshop Minutes

Mrs. Fisher reported that she reviewed the above minutes and moved the minutes be approved. Mr. Klepacz seconded the motion of the above minutes and there being seven (7) yeas and no (0) nays for the November 8, 2022 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

Appointment- Partners for Healthy Youth- Tyler Trent (Term ending 12/31/24)

Mrs. Fisher made a motion to appoint Tyler Trent to Partners for Healthy Youth. Mr. Klepacz seconded the motion. The motion was declared carried followed by a unanimous like sign vote.

Promotion Ceremony- Kettering Police Department

Chief Protsman, Police Chief made the presentation this evening. Chief Protsman expressed it is his honor this evening to introduce the four newest supervisors for the Kettering Police Department. He would first like to introduce Lieutenant Andrew DiSalvo. Lieutenant DiSalvo is here this evening with his wife Liz, his son Nico, his mom and stepfather Debbie and Tim, his brother Adam, his grandparents Judy and Clay, his grandmother Mama DiSalvo, his cousins Ronnie and Amy, and his aunts and uncle Mindy, Robin and Ronnie. Andrew was hired by the City of Kettering in 2009 and was promoted to Sergeant in 2018. Andrew holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in sociology and criminology from Otterbein College. Andrew has served the Kettering Police Department in many capacities including Internal Affairs Sergeant, Road Sergeant, patrolman, K-9 handler, K-9 trainer, K-9 supervisor, SWAT team member and currently serves as the SWAT Team Commander.

Chief Protsman introduced Lieutenant Ryan Vandegrift. Lieutenant Vandegrift is here this evening with his wife Diane, his daughter and son Layla and Andrew, his father Randy and his sister-in-law and nephew Laura and Ashton Lee. Ryan formerly served with the Clear Creek Township Police Department and was hired by the City of Kettering in 2008. Ryan was promoted to Sergeant in 2021. Ryan holds an Associate Degree in criminal justice from Xavier University and is currently taking classes to obtain his bachelor's degree. While in Kettering, Ryan has served as a patrol officer, a detective, a member of the SWAT crisis team, evidence technician, and a Road Patrol Sergeant.

Chief Protsman introduced Sergeant Mike Martin. Sergeant Martin is here this evening with his wife Renee, his parents Michael and Carol and his brother Joe. Mike holds a Bachelor of Science degree in computer engineering technology from the University of Dayton. Mike came to the City of Kettering from the Vandalia Police Department and was hired as a patrol officer in 2013. Mike served in the U.S. Army and was deployed twice to Iraq. Mike has worked at the Kettering Police Department as a patrol officer, team leader for the SWAT team, force options instructor and a field training officer.

Chief Protsman introduced Sergeant Brian Robinson. Sergeant Robinson is here this evening with his wife Tiffany, his daughters Isabella, Haley and Emma, his parents Andrew and Tina, his mother-in-law Lisa and his brother-in-law and girlfriend Donald and Heather. Brian is a graduate from Sinclair Community College with an Associate's degree. Brian came to the City of Kettering from the Springboro Police Department in 2016. Brian has served as a patrol officer, member of the hostage negotiation team, field training officer and serves on the bike patrol unit.

Chief Protsman expressed these gentlemen before you this evening went through an intense and stressful promotional process including a written test, an assessment center, input from their supervisors and participated in an executive interview. This is in addition to all of their good work they all have displayed over the years. Chief Protsman expressed he knows they all will continue to do good work in their new capacities. Chief Protsman asked that family members come down to the podium for the badge pinning.

Chief Protsman mentioned there are eight patrol officer positions the city has to fill. Once those positions are filled there will be 24 officers that have been with the Kettering Police Department for less than three years. That is over a quarter of sworn staff that is with the department. There is a lot of direction that is needed and a lot of guidance on what is expected from residents. He has known that for some time and he knows the type of people he would like to lead and the groups that are coming up have great direction from the promotions that have taken place this evening.

Lieutenant DiSalvo thanked everyone in the audience this evening for their support. He is dedicated to the City of Kettering and he and his family have spent their lives working for the Kettering community and devoting everything they can to the City of Kettering. He is here to stay and it is his pledge to serve the citizens of Kettering to the best of his ability. His family, friends and co-workers have played an integral part, but he would like to thank his wife and family for their support and without them he wouldn't be here.

Lieutenant Vandegrift expressed it is an honor to be here and he is thankful for all of the support. The Kettering Police Department is a young department but there is tremendous staff and officers. He is honored to serve in his new position for the Kettering Police Department and he is very thankful for this opportunity.

Mayor Lehner expressed one quality that stands out in Kettering is the professionalism of the Kettering Police Department. She is always amazed when she is out in the community and sees an officer in the way they carry themselves. Officers care about this community and they are ready and alert whatever they might be called upon to do. Congratulations to all of the officers promoted this evening and with the youth in the department she is sure there will be more promotions in the near future.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATION

ORDINANCES IN SECOND READING

RESOLUTIONS

A RESOLUTION

NO: 10814-22

BY: MRS.FISHER AND MR.KLEPACZ

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH P&R COMMUNICATIONS FOR
INSTALLATION OF A RADIO REPEATER SYSTEM AT KETTERING POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

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

The following votes were recorded: Mrs. Fisher, Yea; Mr. Klepacz, Yea; Mrs. Hall, Yea; Mr. Scott, Yea; Ms. Duvall, Yea; Mr. Duke, Yea; Mayor Lehner, Yea. There being seven (7) Yea votes and no (0) Nay votes, the motion was declared carried and the resolution duly adopted.

A RESOLUTION

NO: 10815-22

BY: MR.KLEPACZ AND MRS.HALL

TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 10732-22 REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF TWO ACCESSIBLE
VANS FOR THE LATHREM SENIOR CENTER TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

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

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

Mr. Duke mentioned during the purchasing process, the city did look at purchasing electric vans but they were not available. In the future, City Council will continue to look at electric vehicle options. The Sustainability Committee feels very strongly that the future vehicle fleet of the city should be electric.

The following votes were recorded: Mrs. Fisher, Yea; Mr. Klepacz, Yea; Mrs. Hall, Yea; Mr. Scott, Yea; Ms. Duvall, Yea; Mr. Duke, Yea; Mayor Lehner, Yea. There being seven (7) Yea votes and no (0) Nay votes, the motion was declared carried and the resolution duly adopted.

A RESOLUTION
NO: 10816-22
BY: MRS.HALL AND MR.SCOTT

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, 2022

Mrs. Hall read the above resolution and moved for approval. Mr. Scott seconded the motion.

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

The following votes were recorded: Mrs. Fisher, Yea; Mr. Klepacz, Yea; Mrs. Hall, Yea; Mr. Scott, Yea; Ms. Duvall, Yea; Mr. Duke, Yea; Mayor Lehner, Yea. There being seven (7) Yea votes and no (0) Nay votes, the motion was declared carried and the resolution duly adopted.

ORDINANCES IN FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE
BY: MR.SCOTT

TO ENACT CHAPTER 949 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING PUBLIC TREE
PRESERVATION

Mr. Scott read the above ordinance.

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

CERTIFICATIONS AND PETITIONS

MANAGER'S REPORT/COMMUNITY UPDATE

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

- Medicare Open Enrollment is available through December 7. Residents can schedule individual appointment by calling the Kettering Connection at 937-296-3330.
- Leaf crews will begin their final pass the week of November 28. Residents should have their leaves ready for pickup.
- City offices will be closed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Rumpke trash collection will be delayed by one day on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Support local Kettering businesses on Small Business Saturday which will be celebrated on November 26.
- The Yard Debris Center will close for the season on Saturday, December 3 at 3:00 p.m.
- City Council meetings for the month of December will be held on:
 - Tuesday, December 6- Budget Workshop at 5:30 p.m.
 - Tuesday, December 6- City Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
 - Tuesday, December 13- Workshop at 6:00 p.m.
 - Tuesday, December 13- City Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
 - Tuesday, November 29- Joint School Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
- The Mayor's Tree Lighting will take place on Friday, December 2 at 6:00 p.m. at Lincoln Park Civic Commons.
- Christmas Day at Polen Farm will take place on Sunday, December 25 from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Mr. Klepacz asked for Mr. Schwieterman to clarify that November 28, 2022 is not the last day for leaf collection throughout the city.

Mr. Schwieterman informed City Council that it would be helpful if residents had their leaves at the curb now. Crews are hopeful the upcoming third round will be the last round throughout the city. Around November 28, 2022 crews will begin to start the third round. If a resident lives in District 1,

they should have their leaves out before November 28, 2022. It would be very helpful if all residents have their leaves out by November 28, 2022 so that way as crews are making the final round they are able to collect all the leaves.

OTHER BUSINESS NOT ON WRITTEN AGENDA

Audience Participation (5 Minute Limit per Speaker)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Fisher reported:

- On November 19 she attended the Mid-East Cross Country meet.
- She attended the Dayton Literary Peace Prize Awards ceremony and all books that were chosen as the winners focused on solving inequality.

Mr. Klepacz reported:

- On November 11 he attended the Veterans Day Ceremony at Delco Park and also a Veterans Day Program at JFK Elementary.
- On November 17 he attended the Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.
- Shop Kettering over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Mrs. Hall reported:

- Happy Thanksgiving.
- Miami Valley Meals is having a turkey takeaway on November 23 and frozen Thanksgiving meals will be given out at various locations.
- The United States Airforce is coming to Kettering Business Park and will be renting office space.
- She attended the National League of Cities Conference and Mr. Duke was named to the Board of Directors.
- She hopes to see the community at the Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting on December 2, 2022.

Mr. Scott reported:

- He attended the Miami Valley Communications Council budget review meeting and they are in great financial condition to continue to provide exceptional services to their member communities.
- On November 11 he attended the Veterans Day Ceremony at Delco Park along with his son-in-law.
- Best of luck to the Ohio State Buckeyes.

Ms. Duvall reported:

- Congratulations to all of the officers who were promoted this evening.
- On November 11 she attended the Veterans Day Ceremony at Delco Park and also the program at JFK Elementary.
- Last week the Kettering Leadership Academy had their education day.
- The oldest resident to cast a vote in Kettering during the last election was 102 years old; residents should continue to be engaged in voting.
- Happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Duke reported:

- Thank you to Ms. Duvall and Dawn Kirchner for putting on the Kettering Leadership Academy Alumni event. There were between 50-60 alumni who participated.
- On November 17 he attended the Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.
- City BBQ is coming to Kettering and opening day is December 2.
- Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Lehner reported:

- She is very proud of Mr. Duke for being appointed to the National League of Cities Board of Directors.
- She enjoyed the JFK Elementary Veterans Day Program.
- On November 17 she attended the Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.
- Happy Thanksgiving.

There being no further business to come before this meeting of the Kettering City Council; Mayor Lehner adjourned the City Council Meeting at 8:08 p.m.

ATTEST:

LaShaunah D. Kaczynski
Clerk of Council

PEGGY LEHNER, MAYOR