

**THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO
ANNUAL JOINT MEETING WITH FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
WED., MAY 2, 2012**

This joint meeting of the Kent City Council and Franklin Township Trustees was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on Wed., May 2, 2012 by Jerry T. Fiala, Mayor & President of Council. Mayor Fiala welcomed all present.

PRESENT: MR. AMRHEIN, MR. DeLEONE, MR. FERRARA, MR. KUHAR, MS. SHAFFER, MR. SIDOTI, MS. WALLACH, AND MR. WILSON

ALSO PRESENT: J. FIALA, MAYOR & PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL; D. RULLER, CITY MANAGER; J. SILVER, LAW DIRECTOR; AND S. CHESTNUTWOOD, ACTING CLERK

MR. BECKWITH, MR. BENJAMIN, AND MR. FALSTAD, FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

ABSENT: MR. TURNER AND L. JORDAN, CLERK

MOTION TO EXCUSE MR. TURNER.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. DeLeone, and carried by a voice vote of 11-0.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE DRAFT NOS. 12-48.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Ferrara, and carried by a voice vote of 11-0

The Mayor asked the Acting Clerk to read Draft No. 12-48 by title only.

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP AND THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED 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 2012 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS FIXED IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO .400 MILLS FOR THE CITY OF KENT AND .400 MILLS FOR FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Ferrara.

Roll call was taken on the motion. Voting aye: Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Beckwith, Mr. Benjamin, Mr. Falstad, and Mr. Amrhein. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 11-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE DRAFT ORDINANCE.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Ferrara.

Roll call was taken on the motion. Voting aye: Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Beckwith, Mr. Benjamin, Mr. Falstad, and Mr. Amrhein. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 11-0.

JR 2012-01: A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP AND THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED 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 2012 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS FIXED IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO .400 MILLS FOR THE CITY OF KENT AND .400 MILLS FOR FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP.

Sheri Chestnutwood, Acting Clerk of Council

Jerry T. Fiala, Mayor & President of Council

MOTION TO APPOINT JOHN SAPP TO THE CEMETERY BOARD, INSERTING THE NAME INTO DRAFT NO. 12-49

Motion made by Mr. DeLeone, seconded by Mr. Benjamin, and carried by a voice vote of 11-0

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE DRAFT NO. 12-49.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Wallach, and carried by a voice vote of 11-0.

The Mayor asked the Acting Clerk to read Draft No. 12-49 by title only at this time.

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN SAPP, AS AN AT-LARGE MEMBER OF THE STANDING ROCK CEMETERY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 759.36, FOR THE TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2013 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Ferrara.

Roll call was taken on the motion. Voting aye: Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Beckwith, Mr. Benjamin, Mr. Falstad, and Mr. Amrhein. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 11-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE DRAFT ORDINANCE.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Ferrara.

Roll call was taken on the motion. Voting aye: Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Beckwith, Mr. Benjamin, Mr. Falstad, and Mr. Amrhein. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 11-0.

JR 2012-02: A JOINT RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN SAPP, AS AN AT-LARGE MEMBER OF THE STANDING ROCK CEMETERY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 759.36, FOR THE TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2013 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015.

Sheri Chestnutwood, Acting Clerk of Council

Jerry T. Fiala, Mayor & President of Council

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE DRAFT NO. 12-50.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. DeLeone.

Mr. Kuhar said he is thinking about the raises they did not give to the City employees, including police and fire personnel. He asked why they do not follow suit, adding it is within their control. He said they probably deserve raises, as do all of the City employees that did not receive a raise.

Mr. DeLeone said a majority of the personnel are paid between \$8.00 and \$8.80 for the seasonal. He said the superintendent makes \$21.00 per hour, adding it is well worth it for all that he does. He said the other guy is making \$15.00 per hour and does good work.

Mr. Kuhar said he was not questioning their work, adding he was questioning the format for all City employees and no raises for one year. He said a lot of them also do an excellent job.

Mr. Wilson commented they were just authorizing the draft ordinance.

The motion carried by a voice vote of 11-0.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to read Draft No. 12-50 by title only at this time.

A JOINT RESOLUTION GRANTING SALARY AND HOURLY PAY RAISES TO THE PERSONNEL OF THE STANDING ROCK CEMETERY.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. DeLeone.

Roll call was taken on the motion. Voting aye: Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Beckwith, Mr. Benjamin, Mr. Falstad, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, and Mr. Ferrara. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 11-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE DRAFT ORDINANCE.

Motion made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Ferrara.

Mr. Wilson said this is the proper time to have discussion. He said he did look at the wages being paid, and agreed with Mr. DeLeone that they are low. He said it was barely enough to support a family. Mr. Wilson said he would be supporting the ordinance with the raises.

Roll call was taken on the motion. Voting aye: Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Beckwith, Mr. Benjamin, Mr. Falstad, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, and Mr. Ferrara. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 11-0.

JR 2013-02: A JOINT RESOLUTION GRANTING SALARY AND HOURLY PAY RAISES TO THE PERSONNEL OF THE STANDING ROCK CEMETERY.

Sheri Chestnutwood, Acting Clerk of Council

Jerry T. Fiala, Mayor & President of Council

MOTION TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING

Motion made by Mr. Ferrara, seconded by Mr. DeLeone, and carried by a voice vote of 11-0.

Hearing no further business before this meeting, Mayor Fiala adjourned this meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Sheri Chestnutwood, Acting Clerk of Council

Jerry T. Fiala, Mayor & President of Council

Transcribed by Linda Jordan, Clerk of Council, on the 7th day of May, 2012.

Linda M. Jordan, Clerk of Council