

Minutes of the Council Meeting January 21, 2025

Mayor Sharon Lally called the meeting to order. The January Council Meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Those present were Hunter Boschert, Robert Ernst, Donald Kessel, Tracy Naticchioni, Jeanne Perkins and Christine Resnik.

Reading of the Bills and Bank Reconciliation

Mayor Lally asked for the reading of the bills and bank reconciliation. Mr. Kessel stated that the bills had been paid and bank statement had been reconciled for the month of December 2024. Ms. Resnik made a motion to approve the bills and bank reconciliation, seconded by Ms. Perkins. All members present voted Aye.

Reading of the Minutes

Mayor Lally asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Ernst raised a question concerning the minutes from the regular Council meeting which was answered. He then made a motion to approve the minutes, with the change. Mr. Kessel raised another item for clarification which was provided. Mr. Boschert seconded the motion to approve with changes. All members present voted Aye. The minutes for December 16 have been approved.

Election of a Vice Mayor

Mayor Lally asked for a nomination for Vice Mayor. Mrs. Perkins nominated Mr. Don Kessel, Mrs. Resnik seconded. Mayor Lally asked Mr. Kessel if he accepted the nomination which he did. She then asked Council to vote. All members present voted Aye. She also asked if there were any Nays of which there were none. Mayor Lally welcomed Mr. Kessel as the new Vice Mayor.

Reading of the December 30 Special Council Meeting Minutes

Vice Mayor Kessel pointed out that the minutes from the Special Council meeting held on 12/30/24 needed to be approved. Mrs. Resnik pointed out a spelling error with regard to her name. Mayor Lally requested a motion to approve the minutes with this change. Mr. Kessel made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Boschert. All present voted Aye.

Communications

The police department received a thank you note for their \$500 gift to the 2025 Mariemont FAB Affair. This year's "Rockin the Red Carpet" blue level donation was appreciated as was our Police Department's commitment to the Mariemont City School District.

Committee Reports

Mrs. Naticchioni reported that the Park Committee met this month to work on some finishing touches for the west side. The committee is looking into a zipline and concrete to complete the sidewalk; pricing is also being obtained for pickleball. The Rec Center Remodel Committee will start on 2/4/25. Mr. Kessel stated that he's spoken with Alan about a Planning Committee meeting for March.

Mayor's Monthly Report

\$4,485.00 was received in Mayor's Court fines, forfeitures and fees for the month of December, 2024. Mayor Lally asked for a motion to approve the Mayor's Monthly Report. Mrs. Naticchioni made a motion to accept the Mayor's Monthly Report, seconded by Mrs. Perkins. All present voted Aye. The Mayor's monthly report was approved.

Administrator's Report

Under new business, we have an ordinance prepared by Mr. Abes to renew Dinsmore & Shohl's legal services through May 31, 2026. This is a replacement with the same terms for our prior agreement which expired June 1, 2024.

As far as projects around the Village, there are no updates on the Towne Homes. A conference call with the site engineer for **Chick Fil A** and GCWW was held last week. They have confirmed plans where their water line for the property will be installed. GCWW has some new regulations on water main tie ins and as a result, it will be necessary for GCWW's contractor to make a street cut on Red Bank. They have been provided specs for street restoration and understand that a full panel pavement restoration will be required. The site engineer wasn't able to answer when construction will begin. Spring, 2025 seems possible.

Marco and Tom Fiorini will be attending the February council meeting to give their annual update on the **Cincinnati Sports Club** including plans/activities for the upcoming year and beyond.

Police Chief Report

PTZ and LPR cameras have been ordered from Mobilcomm for Red Bank Village. Taser training is moving along and should be complete in the next month. Lane changes on Columbia Parkway are confusing and we continue to try to get the word out. An auto accident involving a Metro Bus and a truck occurred at this spot, no injuries, the bus was empty. Hiring process has begun since Officer Staggs last day will be 1/23/25. It's been approved for him to serve as an auxiliary officer; details will be provided to Mr. Abes so that an ordinance may be issued.

Fire Chief Report

Officer Mike Rackley was scheduled to present this evening but is absent due to his mother's death yesterday. Mrs. Naticchioni shared that the Fire Department sponsored CPR class is set up for 3/20/25.

New Business:

Ordinance 1-2025

Ordinance No. 1-2025 Providing for the Employment of Legal Counsel and Declaring an Emergency. Mayor Lally requested a motion to suspend the three readings. Mr. Kessel made a motion to suspend the three readings, seconded by Mr. Boschert. All present voted Aye. Mayor Lally asked for a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Mrs. Resnik made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Kessel. All present voted Aye.

Old Business:

None

Council Discussion:

The status of the Mayor's Office remodeling project continues to progress with carpet installation the week of 2/10/25. Mayor Lally is hopeful to be in her office by February 15, 2025.

Five minutes for audience questions/comments:

None

ADJOURN:

Mayor Lally requested a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Kessel

Motion was seconded: Mrs. Resnik

All present voted Ave.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Sharon Lally, Mayor

Lisa Kammerer, Fiscal Officer