



**Minutes of the Council Meeting
January 20, 2026**

Vice Mayor Don Kessel called the meeting to order at 6:57pm in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. Councilmembers in attendance were Hunter Boschert, Tracy Naticchioni, Jeanne Perkins, Christine Resnik, and Jennifer Wilner.

Reading of the Bills and Bank Reconciliation

Mr. Kessel stated that he and Christy met with the Finance Department and that everything was approved and reconciled through December. Ms. Resnik made a motion to approve the bills and bank reconciliations. Ms. Naticchioni seconded the motion and all members present voted Aye. December bills and bank reconciliations were approved.

Reading of the Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Vice Mayor Kessel asked if anyone had any comments or changes concerning the December minutes. Mr. Boschert motioned to approve the minutes which was seconded by Ms. Perkins. All members present voted Aye. The December meeting minutes were approved.

Election of Vice-Mayor

The Vice Mayor asked for a recommendation. Ms. Perkins nominated Don Kessel to serve as Vice Mayor. Ms. Naticchioni seconded the motion. All present voted Aye. Mr. Kessel continues as Vice Mayor.

Rules and Regulations of Council

Mr. Kessel asked if all had reviewed the document and if anyone saw any changes to be made. Ms. Wilner made a motion to adopt the Rules and Regulations as written. Ms. Resnik seconded the motion. All present voted Aye. The Council Rules and Regulations were adopted.

Communications

Business Intelligence, Inc. made a donation to The Shield on behalf of the Fairfax Police Department.

Committee Reports

Mr. Kessel indicated that the **Planning Committee** will be meeting tomorrow to discuss the proposed new zoning plan. This two-year process is expected to conclude shortly.

Mayor's Monthly Report

\$5,294.76 was received for December activity. Vice Mayor Kessel asked for a motion to approve the Mayor's Monthly Report which was made by Ms. Resnik. Ms. Wilner seconded it and all present voted Aye. The Mayor's monthly report was approved.

Administrator's Report

GCWW is still making progress with the water main on Southern Avenue. No new information to report. We will meet with GCWW and their contractor, Ford Development to discuss paving for Meadowlark and Southern Avenue; curb work was not in the GCWW bid. GCWW may be able to cover this from reserves. For the Village road responsibility, we may need to have additional funds approved. As a reminder, this is still a big savings to the Village as GCWW is paying for at least half of the concrete section of Meadowlark and Southern.

No new information on the **Murray Bridge** inspection that's needed to replace the abutments that have the railing on them.

Fairfax Family Bowling Day is Sunday February 1, 2026 from 1-4 PM. Cost is \$10 per player and includes 2 games and shoe rental, if needed. Chandra Buswell is taking lane reservations if interested. **Ladies Movie Night** at the Rec Center is Saturday February 7 at 6:00 PM. The featured movie is "When Harry Met Sally".

Police Chief Report

The December report was presented to Council. Flock Safety Cameras are still in process as City of Cincinnati has input with permitting and power needs to be run in the Park. We are happy to be using WhiteWater Car Wash for the cruisers who is here in the Village. To reach their minimum of ten cars, we added three of the fire district's and are still paying less than our old provider. Tomorrow evening a Homeless Outreach will be coming out to approach the person living in the tent on Red Bank Rd. near the truck exit ramp.

Fire Chief Report

Mike Siefke thanked the Police Department for sharing the car cleaning. There were 812 dispatches in 2025 with 320 for the Village which is pretty typical. In December, there were 20 runs for Fairfax. The new ambulance was in a non-injury auto accident and is out of service while being repaired. No interruption in service as we are using the backup vehicle. Training is ongoing for the new truck.

New Business:

Ordinance No. 1-2026

Ordinance 1-2026 Confirming the Appointment of a Patrolman for the Village of Fairfax, Ohio and Declaring an Emergency. Vice Mayor Kessel requested a motion to suspend the three readings. Mr. Boschert so moved and Ms. Naticchioni seconded it. All voted Aye. He then asked for a motion to adopt the Ordinance which was made by Ms. Wilner. Ms. Resnik seconded the motion. All present voted Aye and the Ordinance was adopted. Mr. Ren Nealan was sworn in and the Officers were dismissed to enjoy dinner together.

Old Business:

Ms. Perkins asked if there was any news on Frisch's. Ms. Kaminer indicated there was nothing definitive. There have been rumors that the new owner would like to split the lot. Ms. Kaminer has been in contact advising that plans would need to go through the

Village zoning committee. Mr. Boschert asked if there were any information on the new gym on Wooster which was supposed to open early this month.

Five minutes for audience questions/comments

None

Council Discussion:

ADJOURN:

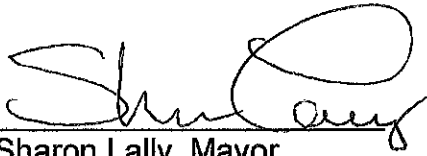
Vice Mayor Kessel requested a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn: Ms. Perkins

Motion was seconded: Ms. Wilner

All present voted Aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19pm.



Sharon Lally, Mayor



Lisa Kammerer, Fiscal Officer
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