

**FORT MITCHELL CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
May 2, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ROLL CALL

Mayor Hehman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Vicki Boerger, Kim Nachazel, Beth Rose, Michael Stoeckle, and Denny Zahler. Dan Rice arrived one minute late and Joe Hayes was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT:

City Administrator Sharmili Reddy, City Attorney Rob Ziegler, Assistant Fire Chief Dave Jansing, Acting Police Chief Matt Robinson, Recreation Coordinator Zach Rechtin and City Clerk Linda Bartels.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Zahler made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Nachazel offered a second to the motion. After asking for discussion or questions and hearing none, Mayor Hehman called for a voice vote. The motion carried by all ayes. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Zahler made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2016 special meeting. Mr. Stoeckle offered a second to the motion. After asking for discussion or questions and hearing none, Mayor Hehman called for a voice vote. The motion carried by all ayes. Motion passed.

CITIZENS AND GUESTS

Kentucky Senator Chris McDaniel gave the City Council an update on the latest session in Frankfort. Mayor Hehman announced that Senator McDaniel was instrumental in helping Fort Mitchell receive funding for the Buttermilk/Orphanage Road alignment study. He thanked him for the funding and attending tonight's meeting.

Mayor Hehman said there were some concerns regarding a development between Orphanage Road and Requardt Lane. He announced Mr. Don Stegman, an engineer for Cardinal and Mr. Jeff Wilmink are in attendance tonight to talk about the project. Mayor Hehman stated they did not have to attend tonight as everything they are doing is within the regulations. Mr. Wilmink stated that his wife's family has owned the property for over 50 years and at the request of the family he is helping them liquidate some assets. He worked with Mr. Stegman to come up with the best way to use this property. He plans on building two homes on flag lots off of Requardt Lane Drive. The driveway for the two homes will run off of an existing drive on Requardt Lane and they are in the process of closing on the property.

The following citizens spoke against the access for the new homes coming off of Requardt Lane: Greg Pohlgeers, 21 Requardt Lane, Patty Kaiser, 35 Virginia, son of Vincente Giglio owners of 29 Requardt Lane, Jim and Betty Osterman, 35 Requardt Lane, Ben Dressman, 27 Requardt Lane, Jenny Burns, 36 Requardt Lane. Many also stated the following concerns: no one contacted them regarding the access off of Requardt Lane or the new construction, land was cleared on the weekends without a permit, noise level was extremely loud, the construction may decrease property values, more homes could be built, construction vehicles are dangerous for children in neighborhood and the access is in a fire lane.

Mr. Wilmlink admitted he made a mistake in hiring the company that cleared the land. He apologized for that and will make it clear in the future about work hours. All the land is mulched, a silt screen installed, pine trees will be planted and new landscaping behind the three apartment buildings within the next 45 days. He said they did contact some homeowners, but he should have contacted more. He said the subdivision regulations only allow them to build two homes.

Mayor Hehman thank Mr. Stegman and Mr. Wilmlink for attending the meeting. He said since they have contacted Mr. Wilmlink, he has kept them informed and believes he will be a better neighbor. Mrs. Reddy said they will have to go to PDS for permits and as long as they meet the requirements they will receive the permits. If they do not meet the guidelines, then it would require hearing.

Julie Reis, 7 Requardt Lane, asked if there was going to be enough parking for the new pizzeria and if there would be outdoor seating. Mayor Hehman said yes, there will be enough parking and outdoor seating allowed until 11:00 pm. The owners received approval from our Board of Adjustment.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Ziegler introduced **Resolution 2016-03 supporting tobacco free parks. Mr. Zahler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-03 supporting tobacco free parks.** Mrs. Nachazel offered a second to the motion. Mayor Hehman called for any questions or further discussion and upon hearing none, he called for a voice vote. Vote was answered by all ayes. Motion passed.

Mr. Ziegler performed a first reading of Ordinance 2016-04 changing the due date for Fort Mitchell ABC License to match the State license due dates.

PROJECT PRIORITIZATION FOR FY 2016-2017

Mrs. Reddy reviewed the project prioritization *for fiscal year 2016-2017*. See attached for full list. She stated tonight's review is for discussion not to rank the list. We will have more discussion as we move forward with the budget process. Tonight she asked for some guidance and direction from council members.

- Mr. Zahler would like for everyone to look for opportunities to install basketball courts. He also suggested waiting on the installation of sidewalks on Orphanage Road until a decision is made on the Buttermilk/Orphanage realignment.
- Mr. Rice reminded everyone that the income has to be consider first
- Mrs. Boerger would like to incorporate a new, raised crosswalk being recommended by the Kentucky Transportation Center on Beechwood Road to help slow down the traffic.
- Mayor Hehman announced that we have received two letters supporting the design for the park. He would like to see priority given for the design. Dr. Stacey reminded everyone that if we

decide to do work at the park he would like to be given the opportunity to discuss the proposal for the track.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor said work in front of the city building is now moving forward. They are installing a wall, making a place for the clock and landscaping. The land on the corner of Silver and Dixie will remain green space at this time. We will review it again in the next couple of years.

He announced that they will be sending out an RFP, request for proposals, for a City Attorney. Mr. Ziegler is aware of this process.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT-SHARMILI REDDY

- Currently interviewing for the new police chief. They should have a recommendation for the Mayor by the end of the month.
- She has received multiple requests from businesses to change the requirements for electronic signs. We will be looking at the regulations soon.
- The Iris Road Park will be on June's agenda. The property owner that made the request to purchase part of the park land will attend the meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Linda Bartels, City Clerk

- The due date on the trash bid has been moved to May 5th at the request of the waste haulers

Matt Robinson, Acting Police Chief

- Announced Officer Joel Tignor will be leaving Fort Mitchell in two weeks to join a larger department for more opportunities.
- Officer Jacob McBee graduated from the police academy last week and started his field training on Sunday. He is very excited about his new career.
- He is working on getting Fort Mitchell a secure box where citizens can drop off medications they no longer need. In the mean time you can still drop them off at the Police Department for proper disposal.

Matt Stegman, Public Works Director

- Crew has spent time recently clearing the storm drains and crack sealing.
- He is working with Mrs. Reddy and Mayor Hehman on the street improvement projects.
- There was a leak recently in the old squad bay. The trench was stopped up and the water came in under the door. He is researching ways to take care of this problem in the future.
- There was a sanitary backup in the old boiler room in the basement. It was caused by the roots of a tree. He was informed this happens approximately two times per year. It has been temporarily fixed, but he is working on a permanent solution.

Dave Jansing, Assistant Fire Chief

- Reviewed the written report submitted by Chief Auffart.
- They are looking at a different way to handle child seat installations.
- Fire at 312 Beechwood is under investigation. He compliment Detective Ron Wietholter for his excellent work at the scene and the great relationship between the police and Fire Departments

Zach Rehtin, Recreation Coordinator

- Emailed event calendars out. He said he was very excited about the future of the recreation program. There are a lot of innovative events coming up.
- Mayor Hehman complimented Mr. Rehtin on the great job he is doing.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

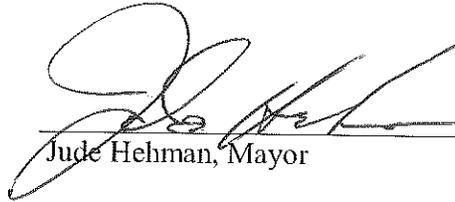
Mrs. Boerger announced the newest names to be placed on the Wall of Honor. James Wilshire, Todd Kleier and Rick Gohs. Mr. Wilshire has volunteered for Blessed Sacrament and Beechwood schools for over 50 years. Mr. Kleier and Mr. Gohs have served the City for many years. The ceremony will be held on May 30th at 11:30 am.

Mr. Stoeckle reminded everyone that the Park Board will meet tomorrow at 8:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Zahler made the motion to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 9:02 p.m. Mrs. Boerger offered a second to the motion. After asking for discussion or questions and hearing none, the Mayor called for a voice vote. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Signed _____, 2016



Jude Hehman, Mayor

Prepared By:



Linda Bartels, City Clerk