

**FORT MITCHELL CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
June 20, 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, Joe Hayes, Kim Nachazel, Dan Rice, Beth Rose and Michael Stoeckle. Absent Denny Zahler.

OTHERS PRESENT:

City Administrator Sharmili Reddy, City Attorney Rob Ziegler, Fire Chief Gary Auffart, Public Works Director Matt Stegman, City Treasurer Amy Guenther, Recreation Coordinator Zach Rechten, Park Director Kyle Bennett and Deputy City Clerk Debbie Krueger.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mrs. Nachazel made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Rose 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. Rice made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2016 regular council 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 passed by all ayes.

CITIZENS AND GUESTS

Mary Burns, 2131 Tantallon, advised that she had two (2) questions regarding the Drawbridge property:

- 1) Could the City ask Christ Hospital to cut the weeds in the parking lot? They cut the grass, but almost never cut the weeds. Mayor Hehman advised that this request would be directed to the management group and not to Christ Hospital, but he would see that someone contacts them about the problem.
- 2) Is there a way that the residents of Fort Mitchell can help expedite the beginning of the transformation? Mayor Hehman advised that the City is in constant meetings with them. They are waiting for a Certificate of Need. We have been in contact with them trying to figure out what can start. Based upon the TIF application, they have not received any monies and depending upon on the percentage they get back, will dictate how much change there is to the landscape. They want to change Royal Drive completely and cannot start on anything until the TIF is approved. The second part is going to be if Christ Hospital does not get the Certificate of Need, Ms. Burns asked if there

was anyone, she could write to about there being a need. Mayor Hehman advised that Christ Hospital sent out a notice asking Council to support the Certificate of Need; however, he did not as a Mayor. He did not feel that as Mayor he could sign that representing people from every workforce from Christ to St. Elizabeth. He did sign a letter supporting the development. He was not sure how Council felt, but he could not sign for the Certificate of Need when he represents other people that might work at Mercy or St. Elizabeth or somewhere else. The Developer informed the City that it would be August before they receive any information on the progress. Mrs. Reddy advised that if residents wanted to try to help, they could write to our legislators in Frankfort, Senator Chris McDaniel, Representative Diane St. Onge and Representative Koenig.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Mr. Ziegler performed a second reading of Ordinance 2016-05 amending the 2015-2016 Budget. City Treasurer, Amy Guenther noted that there was one change to the budget since the first reading. There was a calculation that was off making an increase in the Police Retirement by \$16,157 changing the Police Department Budget from \$1,421,325 to \$1,437,482. Mayor Hehman advised that to clarify this is the Amended Budget. Mrs. Guenther advised that is correct. **Mrs. Boerger made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-05 amending the 2015-2016 Budget.** Mrs. Rose offered a second. Mayor Hehman called for any questions or further discussion and upon hearing none, called for a roll call vote.

Mrs. Boerger	Yes	Mrs. Rose	Yes
Mr. Stoeckle	Yes	Mr. Hayes	Yes
Mr. Rice	Yes	Mr. Zahler	Absent
Mrs. Nachazel	Yes		

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried.

Mr. Ziegler performed a second reading of Ordinance 2016-06 setting the 2016-2017 Budget. **Mr. Stoeckle made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-05 setting the 2016-2017 Budget.** Mrs. Boerger offered a second. Mayor Hehman called for any questions or further discussion and upon hearing none, called for a roll call vote.

Mr. Stoeckle	Yes	Mrs. Boerger	Yes
Mrs. Rose	Yes	Mr. Hayes	Yes
Mr. Rice	Yes	Mr. Zahler	Absent
Mrs. Nachazel	Yes		

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried.

Mr. Ziegler performed a second reading of Ordinance 2016-07 amending the pay scale ordinance. **Mrs. Rose made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-07 amending the pay scale ordinance.** Mrs. Nachazel offered a second. Mayor Hehman advised that Mr. Zahler did reach out to him and he was concerned about turnover and our pay scale regarding fire, paramedics and police. Even though it is addressed in our budget, just to know it is to scale and everything we have discussed, it does meet the qualifications. Mayor Hehman called for any questions or further discussion and upon hearing none, he called for a roll call vote.

Mrs. Rose	Yes	Mrs. Nachazel	Yes
Mr. Stoeckle	Yes	Mr. Hayes	Yes
Mr. Rice	Yes	Mr. Zahler	Absent
Mrs. Boerger	Yes		

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried.

Mr. Ziegler performed a first reading of Ordinance 2016-08 for a Text Amendment amending Sections 10.12, 10.13, 10.14 and 10.16 of the Fort Mitchell Zoning Ordinance

Mayor Hehman advised that this was an Ordinance that Mr. Hayes was very passionate about and it has passed through Staff Recommendations of PDS. The Ordinance is for aesthetics, and how building materials may be used within our development areas. Mayor Hehman asked if there were any questions or discussion. There was none.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hehman advised being conscious of the budget, we were able to have Mercedes donate the flags for the parade this year which will save about \$1,000.00. The Boy Scouts will be handing the flags out at the beginning of the parade. We do have a float coming and Mrs. Reddy has emailed Council about helping to decorate it. Mr. Stoeckle received a candy donation from Perfetti, which will also be a cost savings to the budget. There will be five (5) Firemen in antique fire trucks serving as the Grand Marshalls for this year's parade.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT-SHARMILI REDDY

- Door hangers placed on resident's doors on Burdsall to encourage them to attend a public meeting regarding the Water District project. The meeting will be at the City Building on Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 6 pm.
- Regarding the RFP for City Attorney, we have received two (2) responses and we will be reviewing those this week and have a report back to Council.
- The new Police Chief will start work on July 1, 2016 and he will be ready for the parade on July 4.
- She and Councilmember Boerger met with a resident from Orphanage Road who has been asking about sidewalks for a couple of years. They explained about the monies we received for the study of Buttermilk & Orphanage and she understands the need to wait on investing in the sidewalks until the study is complete. She did ask that the City send out a letter to property owners letting them know where we are on the sidewalks. The letter will probably go out sometime next week and will include the businesses.
- The Code Enforcement Board met on Monday, June 13, 2016. There was a good discussion about processes, information, and what the City can do to help them. All Code Enforcement Board members signed up for the training offered on August 17 in Covington.
- The Trash Bid went out, and is still open until June 30. As Council recommended we built in several combinations, one (1) time per week, two (2) times per week, trash, recycling. We put all the combinations in, so that Council would have enough information to make an informed decision.

- More property in the City, such as the land at Iris Park have come to our attention. Mrs. Nachazel has suggested that this would be a good topic for discussion at a future Caucus Meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Kyle Bennett, Park Director advised that the Park Board has been working on a long range plan for Ormsby Park for the last nine (9) months and have tossed around a lot of ideas. The Park Board wants to make sure that the park stays a City Park. Whatever we do, we do not want it to become a sports complex or to get away from its original intent, a community park. The Park Board will be putting a survey into the hands of residents to see what they want at the Park. This will be an on-line survey done through email blast on the website. They know they will miss some people with this, so they plan to partner with the Fire Department when they go door to door for smoke detectors and pass out a survey to residents. The Park Board wants to do the best they can with the feedback. They know that from experience some people will do the survey more than once so they are going to try to limit it to one per household. Mayor Hehman advised that it is hard to know when we have enough information, but this survey is a good place to start. Mr. Stoeckle asked if the City could run an article letting people know that the survey will be coming. Mayor Hehman advised that they could put something in Fort Mitchell Living and the Recorder. Mr. Rice asked about doing a mailing. Mayor Hehman advised that he was leaving that in the hands of the Park Board and that we need to remember that the budget on this is only \$5,000. Mr. Rice advised that this is a very important topic and the City should do a mailing because computer related items would miss many residents.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

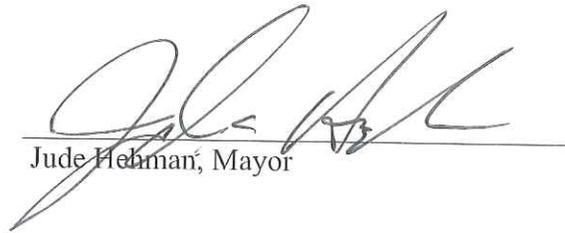
Mrs. Boerger advised that Mr. Kaiser is here in the audience tonight and she does have a Resolution put together on his behalf and she wished to read it to Council so that it could be in the minutes and be a part of the record. Mrs. Boerger read the Resolution to Council. Mrs. Boerger stated that after research by Mr. Ziegler, the development does meet all the requirements, which makes this Resolution a moot point. Mrs. Boerger asked the Mayor to appoint staff to develop stringent requirements for flag lots. The City should try to go in a direction that residents are looking for. Perhaps easement access is a place to start. Mr. Ziegler advised that the Subdivision Regulations establish the flag lots. You would need to look at setback requirements and make sure, if they are going to exist, that they will fit in better with surrounding properties. Mrs. Boerger advised that is why they should look at easements. Mrs. Nachazel asked what that meant. Mr. Ziegler advised it is a Subdivision Regulation. Mrs. Reddy advised that we should work with PDS and come up with several different ways to address it. Subdivision Regulations are harder to change because they cover the entire county, but Zoning Regulations is where we have more control. Mrs. Nachazel stated that after reading the Resolution earlier today, she called Mr. Ziegler, and by this reading in no way enforces the City of this Council approves or agrees with it and in fact, taking any action would be highly illegal. Mrs. Boerger advised that she read the Resolution to make it part of the record. Mrs. Nachazel stated that she just wanted it clarified for anyone reading the minutes that Council took no action. Mrs. Boerger advised that Mr. Kaiser wants his opinion on the record and several other residents of Requardt have strong opinions, and the City should not overlook or ignore them and try to make improvements in this area. Mrs. Nachazel advised that this is another topic that could be discussed at a Caucus Meeting. Mayor Hehman asked that the minutes of this meeting reflect that this Council did not take any action on this Resolution, and has a clear understanding of what the regulations state. Staff will work on this and come back with recommendations, but working on the issue of flag lots will not happen in a few days, it will take time and Council must remember and be

prepared that people will be passionate on both sides of the issue. Mrs. Boerger advised that the City could not tell property owners they cannot develop their property, but we must be aware of how it affects another property. The City needs to be proactive and set a standard on this issue because there are many places in the City where flag lots could be developed. Mayor Hehman advised that the way the ordinance is written, there is nothing illegal about the flag lots on Requardt. Mrs. Rose noted that the permit was acquired after the work began. It should be a requirement that people go through the proper channels and get the proper permits. Mrs. Boerger state that the City cannot allow this to happen again in the future.

ADJOURNMENT

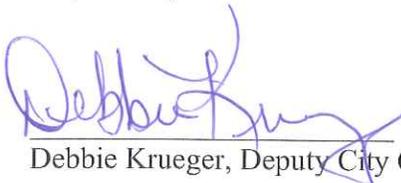
Mrs. Nachazel made the motion to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:40 p.m. Mr. Stoeckle offered a second to the motion. After asking for discussion or questions and hearing none, the Mayor called for a voice vote. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Signed 6-20-2016, 2016



Jude Hehman, Mayor

Prepared By:



Debbie Krueger, Deputy City Clerk