

**FORT MITCHELL CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
June 3, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ROLL CALL

Mayor Wiest called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mary Burns, Ray Heist, Frank Hicks, Jim Hummeldorf, and Kim Nachazel. Vicki Boerger arrived at 7:07 pm **NOT PRESENT:** Dan Rice and Dennis Zahler.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Chris Wiest, City Attorney Rob Ziegler, City Administrator Chris Moriconi, Police Chief Jeff Eldridge, Fire Chief Scott McVey, Assistant Fire Chief Dave Jansing, Public Works Director Dave Noll, City Clerk Martha Allen, and David Rager Executive Director of Sanitation District 1 (SD1.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Mayor stated that there was one change to the minutes of May 6, 2013. There were no objections to the change. **Mr. Hummeldorf made a motion to approve the minutes of May 6, 2013 as amended.** Mr. Hicks 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.**

Mr. Hicks made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 20, 2013. Mr. Hummeldorf 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.**

PRESENTATIONS

The owner of Biggby Coffee appeared before Council to tell everyone that this store has opened and is currently serving customers.

David Rager of SD1 gave a presentation on the SD1 rate increase. Mr. Rager indicated that the Council's previous resolution was incorrect. The Mayor responded with a powerpoint presentation, that demonstrated the resolution was correct, that other localities pursued consent decree modifications that extended time periods for compliance, which lowered rates. The Mayor likewise pointed out that residents cannot afford 9% or 18% or 21% increases in sewer bills. The Mayor urged Mr. Rager to stand up for the rate payers, particularly our sensitive populations on fixed incomes, and work with EPA to modify the decree, or take them back to court if that effort is not successful. Several members of Council likewise pointed out that the rate increases were not acceptable.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Hummeldorf stated that the Public Safety Committee met last Thursday and discussed the RFP for the Fire Department pumper. The Committee endorsed this project as well as the speed hump ordinance. The speed hump ordinance will likely not be ready until the end of July.

Mrs. Boerger stated that the Wall of Honor Committee met and had the ceremony on Memorial Day. She thanked the Mayor, Mr. Moriconi and Mr. Hummeldorf for their attendance. The event was very well attended and emotional. Joyce Brophy Hubbell and Bill Reis were inducted onto the Wall of Honor.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Chief McVey noted that there were 57 fire calls and 111 ambulance calls for May, 2013; he also noted that we were close to finalizing the pumper bid.

Chief Eldridge noted the car show was a fantastic community outreach event, that we are expected to raise about \$7,000 for Crimestoppers; Chief Eldridge thanked the event sponsors. Also, Chief Eldridge indicated that the police department was applying for a KOHS grant for bullet proof vests and ammunition as well as a COPS grant for a School Resource Officer. Chief Eldridge also indicated that if anyone on Council or in the community has any complaints about speeding, to let us know so we can step up enforcement in problem areas.

Dave Noll noted that the Superior project is expected to be completed by the end of June. Ashton has a preconstruction agreement, and is expected to start June 17. Duke Energy is working on Pleasant Ridge, with the Water District to continue work through early August. The City will bid this project in a few weeks. Finally, the Public Works department is working in house to do crack and seal work on our roads.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Ziegler performed a second reading of **Ordinance 2013-08** – Repealing sections of Section 93 regarding sidewalk maintenance. **Ms. Burns made a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-08** – Repealing sections of Section 93 regarding sidewalk maintenance. Mr. Hummeldorf gave a second to the motion. After asking for discussion or questions and hearing none, the Mayor called for a roll call vote.

Mrs. Boerger:	Yes	Ms. Burns:	Yes
Mr. Heist:	Yes	Mr. Hicks:	Yes
Mr. Hummeldorf:	Yes	Mrs. Nachazel:	Yes
Mr. Rice:	Absent	Mr. Zahler:	Absent
Ayes: 6	Nays: 0	Absent: 2	Motion Passed.

Mr. Ziegler performed a second reading of **Ordinance 2013-09** – Relating to sale of alcoholic beverages on election days. **Mr. Hummeldorf made a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-09** – Relating to sale of alcoholic beverages on election days. Mr. Heist gave a second to the motion. After asking for discussion or questions and hearing none, the Mayor called for a roll call vote.

Mrs. Boerger:	Yes	Ms. Burns:	Yes
Mr. Heist:	Yes	Mr. Hicks:	Yes
Mr. Hummeldorf:	Yes	Mrs. Nachazel:	Yes
Mr. Rice:	Absent	Mr. Zahler:	Absent
Ayes: 6	Nays: 0	Absent: 2	Motion Passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Ziegler performed a first reading of **Ordinance 2013-10** – Pay and Classification Plan. The Mayor asked for any questions or comments and there were none.

Mr. Ziegler performed a first reading of **Ordinance 2013-11** – Regarding Non-Elected Officers, Volunteers, and Employees. Mrs. Boerger asked about some background. Mr. Hummeldorf responded that the Personnel Committee met approximately four times on this ordinance and that the ordinance was worked on as well with the department heads. The Mayor spoke to changes within the police and

fire department, and indicated that the changes within those departments were discussed in January's planning session with respect to the police department. Mr. Moriconi indicated that the ordinance raises the bar for the City, and Ms. Burns added that this ordinance makes our staff more professional, and Mrs. Boerger agreed.

Mr. Ziegler performed a first reading of **Ordinance 2013-12** – Amending 2012-2013 Budget. The Mayor noted that there was one change from the budget planning meeting, and police department overtime was increased \$1,000 to account for many overnight hours worked by the department on a recent major crime. The Mayor asked for any questions or comments and there were none.

Mr. Ziegler performed a first reading of **Ordinance 2013-13** – 2013-2014 Budget. The Mayor asked for any questions or comments and there were none.

Mr. Ziegler performed a reading of **Municipal Order 2013-18** - Closing the Sewer Fund. **Mr. Hummeldorf made a motion to approve Municipal Order 2013-18** - Closing the Sewer Fund. Mr. Hicks gave a second to the motion. After asking for discussion or questions and hearing none, the Mayor called for a voice vote. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Ziegler performed a reading of **Resolution 2013-04** – Regarding landscaping Dixie Highway/I-75 contract. The Mayor noted that he and Mr. Moriconi sat down with the Transportation Cabinet and worked on this issue, as well as discussed the Brent Spence Bridge project, and resident interest in sound barrier walls, and the Transportation Cabinet will come to speak to Council and any interested residents in August to address the Brent Spence issues as far as they affect Fort Mitchell. **Mrs. Boerger made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-04** – Regarding landscaping Dixie Highway/I-75 contract. Ms. Burns gave a second to the motion. After asking for discussion or questions and hearing none, the Mayor called for a voice vote. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Ziegler performed a reading of **Resolution 2013-07** – Regarding KOHS grant. Chief Eldridge noted that this grant is for . **Mr. Hummeldorf made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-07** – Regarding KOHS grant. Mr. Hicks gave a second to the motion. After asking for discussion or questions and hearing none, the Mayor called for a voice vote. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

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Mr. Moriconi gave his report. He stated that the Grand Marshal for this year's Fourth of July Parade will be Lt. Commander John Hiltz who is a Blue Angel with the Navy. He is a Fort Mitchell native, a Beechwood School graduate and a Covington Catholic graduate. This is a huge honor to have Lt. Commander Hiltz as our grand marshal.

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The Mayor stated that the Fiscal Court passed a resolution that requires the county to pick up the differences with the cost of dispatch services. This will save the City a lot of money with the cost of dispatch services. The Mayor congratulated the Beechwood class of 2013 on their graduation over the weekend. The Mayor presented an engraved plaque from Collection Auto Group to commemorate the groundbreaking of the Mercedes-Benz dealership.


Mrs. Nachazel made the motion to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting. Mr. Hummeldorf 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. The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 pm.

Signed July 1, 2013



Christopher Wiest, Mayor

Signature Witnessed By:



Martha Allen, City Clerk