

**FORT MITCHELL CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
January 8, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ROLL CALL

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Burns, Vicki Boerger, Jim Hummeldorf, Kim Nachazel, Greg Pohlgeers, Beth Rose, and Michael Stoeckle.

OTHERS PRESENT

City Administrator Sharmili Reddy, City Attorney Louis Kelly, Public Works Director Matt Stegman, Police Chief Andrew Schierberg, City Treasurer Amy Guenther, and City Clerk Linda Bartels.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Pohlgeers made a motion to approve the agenda, 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.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Boerger made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2017 council meeting. Mr. Pohlgeers 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 - None

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Kelly performed a second reading of Ordinance 2017-20 amending Article XIV of the Fort Mitchell Zoning Ordinance Pertaining to Signs. Mr. Hummeldorf made a motion to pass ordinance 2017-20 amending Article XIV of the Fort Mitchell Zoning Ordinance Pertaining to Signs. Mrs. Nachazel made a second to the motion. Mayor Hehman asked for further discussion or questions and hearing none, he called for a roll call vote.

Mrs. Boerger	No	Mr. Pohlgeers	Yes
Ms. Burns	Yes	Mr. Stoeckle	Yes
Mr. Hummeldorf	Yes	Mrs. Nachazel	Yes
Mrs. Rose	Yes		

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

Mr. Kelly performed a second reading of Ordinance 2017-21 amending the Annual Municipal Road Aid and Road Tax Budgets of the City for the Fiscal 2017/2018. Mr. Hummeldorf made a motion to pass Ordinance 2017-21 amending the Annual Municipal Road Aid and Road Tax Budgets of the City for the Fiscal 2017/2018. Mr. Pohlgeers made a second to the motion. Mayor Hehman asked for further discussion or questions and hearing none, he called for a roll call vote.

Mrs. Boerger	Yes	Mr. Pohlgeers	Yes
Ms. Burns	Yes	Mr. Stoeckle	Yes
Mr. Hummeldorf	Yes	Mrs. Nachazel	Yes
Mrs. Rose	Yes		

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried.

Mr. Kelly performed a first reading of Ordinance 2018-01 modifying nonelected officers of the City.

Mr. Kelly performed a first reading of Ordinance 2018-02 modifying the qualifications for City Clerk.

Mr. Kelly performed a first reading of Ordinance 2018-03 text amendment to allow certain expansions to nonconforming setbacks, allow decorative metal fences around pools and change the permitted height of class 2 fences.

Mr. Kelly performed a first reading of Ordinance 2018-04 amending the regulations for open burning.

Mr. Kelly read Municipal Order 2018-01 appointing Jim Hils as interim Fire Chief. Mrs. Boerger made a motion to approve Municipal Order 2018-01 appointing Jim Hils as interim Fire Chief. Mr. Pohlgeers 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.

Mr. Kelly read Municipal Order 2018-02 appointing Glenn Rice and Tom McKinley to the Park Board. Mr. Hummeldorf made a motion to approve Municipal Order 2018-02 appointing Glenn Rice and Tom McKinley to the Park Board. 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.

Mr. Kelly read Municipal Order 2018-03 appointing Claire Rummel and Gregory Lunn to the Ethics Board, Mrs. Boerger made a motion to approve Municipal Order 2018-03 appointing Claire Rummel and Gregory Lunn to the Ethics Board. 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.

Mr. Kelly read Municipal Order 2018-04 appointing Greg Pohlgeers as representative and Jude Hehman as alternate to PDS Council. Mr. Hummeldorf made a motion to approve Municipal Order Municipal Order 2018-04 appointing Greg Pohlgeers as representative and Jude Hehman as alternate to PDS Council. 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.

AUDIT PRESENTATION

Mr. Jim Sparrow presented the annual audit to the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Sparrow gave a brief overview of the annual financial statements for year ended June 30, 2017. He stated the financial statements referred to in the audit document present fairly in all material respects. The year ended in accordance with

accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The audit received an unqualified opinion, the highest opinion you can receive. Mr. Sparrow complimented Mrs. Guenther on the work she did.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hehman said the Kenton County Mayors' Group met Saturday to discuss the pension issue. The increase to the City of Fort Mitchell is approximately \$375,000 for next year. The budget cannot handle that increase. They requested that the legislators stage the increases over a period of time. If not, we will need other sources of revenue to pay for the employee retirement program.

Mayor Hehman stated Beechwood School asked for a meeting to discuss the traffic concerns on Beechwood Road.

City Administrator's Report

Mrs. Reddy advised that the State is looking for alternative funds to add the Dixie/Beechwood left turn lane.

She recently met with the Economic Development Cabinet to see if they would raise the amount of the promised TIF money. They would not agree to raise it but did state that they will not lower it. Brandy Corp will attend the Planning session to give update on the project.

The KLC Day/Night in Frankfort is February 7th. She invited all of the council to attend.

She interviewed two people for the recreation coordinator position. Hope to hire someone soon.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mrs. Rose asked about a letter the citizens received regarding water lines. Mrs. Reddy said the City agreed to partner with the National League of Cities Service Line Warranties of America to offer a warranty program to homeowners. She will send a copy of the letter to the council members.

Mr. Hummeldorf asked if there was anything in the works to recognize the Beechwood championship. Mrs. Reddy said they will take care of it.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Police Department

Police Chief Schierberg advised they were working on the dates and locations for the cookouts the year.

He also sent a nuisance letter to 25 Virginia. The calls for service to that address has dropped.

The new police vehicles should be delivered soon. Chief Schierberg said Enterprise will get back to us on the cost of leasing cruisers. He said this could be a real advantage to us.

He thanked the Public Works department for posting the closed signs on Orphanage road due to ice. He thanked Jill Stultz for working on her days off on a case this weekend.

Public Works Department

Mr. Stegman they spread over 50 tons of salt during the recent freezing rain event. Mr. Stoeckle asked him to look at the pooling of water on Greenbrier. It was a big patch of ice recently. Mr. Stegman said he thinks the water come from a sump pump.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pohlgeers made the motion to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 8:10 p.m. 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.

Signed 2-6, 2018


Jude Hehman, Mayor

Prepared By:


Linda Bartels, City Clerk