

**CITY OF FORT MITCHELL, KENTUCKY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
2355 DIXIE HIGHWAY, FORT MITCHELL, KY 41017
September 19, 2022, 6:30 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mayor Jude Hehman called the regular council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and started the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Hehman asked Ms. Guenther to call roll. The following council members were present: Jerry Deatherage, Alyson Roeding, Kim Nachazel and Greg Pohlgeers. Vicki Boerger, Mary Burns and Michael Stoeckle were absent. Mayor Hehman stated that a quorum of the City Council was in attendance.

OTHERS PRESENT

Attorney, Corey Gamm; City Administrator, Edwin King; City Clerk/Treasurer, Amy Guenther; Police Chief, Andrew Schierberg; Fire Chief, Adam Fuller; Public Works Director, Nick Tewes.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Hehman asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Hearing none, Ms. Nachazel made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Deatherage seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there was any discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Jude Hehman called for a voice vote. The motion carried with all ayes.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mayor Jude Hehman asked if there were any changes to the August 22, 2022, minutes. Hearing none, Mr. Pohlgeers made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2022, council meeting. Ms. Roeding seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there was any discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Jude Hehman called for a voice vote. The motion carried with all ayes.

CITIZENS AND GUESTS

Chief Schierberg introduced Officer, Tony Hill. Officer Hill worked over 11 years for the City of Independence and ten years for the City of Covington. He spent 15 years in the Army National Guard, and he was on the SWAT team for 10 years. Officer Hill is also a bicycle accident reconstructionist.

Chief Fuller introduced Michael "Cam" Covington as the City's new full-time firefighter/paramedic. Mr. Covington worked for four years on the Paris, Kentucky fire department.

Three Villa Madonna high school students were in attendance as a requirement for their government class; Griffin, Rachel and Hope.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Gamm performed a second reading on **Ordinance 2022-15 Setting the waste, garbage, trash and recycling collection charge of \$212 for Fiscal Year 2022-2023**, upon the real estate owners in the City of Fort Mitchell. The Mayor stated that Best Way exercised their option to increase the fees 3% due to diesel gas being over \$5 per gallon. The current annual charge is \$210. Only a partial amount of the increase will be passed onto the residents since the average gas prices may decrease below \$5 per gallon

for three consecutive months and then the charge to the City will then decrease. Mayor Hehman asked if there was any discussion. Ms. Nachazel made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-15. Ms. Roeding seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman called for a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Nachazel Yes
Mr. Deatherage Yes

Ms. Roeding Yes
Mr. Pohlgeers Yes

Mr. Gamm read **Municipal Order 2022-03 appointing Sam Cahill to the Park Board**. Mayor Hehman stated that Mr. Cahill maintained the City's park in the past, managed University of Kentucky's turf grass and currently is Summit Hills Country Club's course manager. Ms. Nachazel stated that Mr. Cahill is very knowledgeable. Ms. Nachazel made a motion to adopt Municipal Order 2022-03. Mr. Deatherage seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there was any discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Hehman called for a voice vote. The motion passed with all ayes.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- The park construction is coming together. The park equipment is installed, concrete is being poured and hopefully the park will be complete in the next two to three weeks.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT-No Report

COMMENTS FROM CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Ms. Nachazel stated that Beechwood PTSA completed a survey and asked why students did not ride a bike or walk to school. She will get a copy for the City to review.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Public Works Director, Nick Tewes

- Bids are due Wednesday for the Beechwood Road Sidewalk from the railroad to Fort Mitchell Place.
- Requardt design is in process. Mayor Hehman stated that he would like council to review the plans.
- New drainage pipe was installed, and stairs were patched on Ridge by the Public Works crew. Mr. Pohlgeers stated that the public works department has been proactive on projects.
- The County will be restriping Grandview, West Maple and part of Royal.

Recreation, Mayor Hehman

- Madcap puppets performance is Thursday by the garden. The fire department will be cooking hotdogs.

City Clerk/Treasurer, Amy Guenther

- The property tax bills will be mailed out tomorrow.
- Chris Clifford will be starting September 29 at the front desk. She is a resident of Fort Mitchell and has eight years of human resource experience.

Police Chief, Andrew Schierberg

- There was a serious motor cycle accident yesterday in the City. Kenton County
- An offer was accepted for the last open position in the police department.
- The department's monthly report is in the packet.

Fire Chief, Adam Fuller

- The department report is in the council packet.

- Heroes Night is October 4 at the Diocesan Catholic Children's Home grounds and includes the police and fire departments from Fort Wright, Edgewood, Villa Hills and Lakeside Park, the National Guard and SWAT. There will be about six food trucks and it is expected that 3,000 people will attend.
- The department will be taking applications for a full-time position opening through Friday.

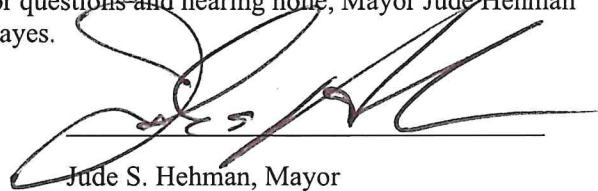
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Pohlgeers made a motion to go into Executive Session – Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c), discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency. Ms. Roeding seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there were any questions. Hearing none, Mayor Hehman called for a voice vote and the motion passed with all ayes.

Ms. Nachazel made a motion to come out of Executive Session and Mr. Pohlgeers seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman called for a voice vote and the motion passed with all ayes.


ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pohlgeers made a motion to adjourn the City Council meeting and Ms. Roeding seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there was any discussion or questions and hearing none, Mayor Jude Hehman called for a voice vote. The motion passed with all ayes.



Jude S. Hehman, Mayor

Prepared By:



Amy K. Guenther, City Clerk/Treasurer