

**CITY OF FORT MITCHELL, KENTUCKY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
2355 DIXIE HIGHWAY, FORT MITCHELL, KY 41017
October 3, 2022, 6:30 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

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: Vicki Boerger, Mary Burns, Jerry Deatherage, Kim Nachazel, Greg Pohlgeers, and Michael Stoeckle. Alyson Roeding was absent. Mayor Hehman stated that a quorum of the City Council was in attendance.

OTHERS PRESENT

Attorney, Olivia Amlung; City Administrator, Edwin King; City Clerk/Treasurer, Amy Guenther; Police Chief, Andrew Schierberg; Fire Chief, Adam Fuller.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Hehman asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Hearing none, Mr. Pohlgeers made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Stoeckle 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 September 19, 2022, minutes. Hearing none, Mr. Deatherage made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2022 council meeting. Ms. Boerger 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, Christian Soriano-Altamirano. Officer Soriano-Altamirano worked for the Lexington Police Dept. for one year. He thanked everyone for the opportunity to be a police officer in this city.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Amlung performed a **first reading of Ordinance 2022-16, Amending the Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023** to increase grant revenue and pass through grant expenses for two Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), one for Redwood and one for the Diocesan Catholic Children's Home (DCCH). The City was awarded a grant for Redwood building renovations and is waiting to hear about the grant for DCCH. Grant consultant, Dennis Elrod, explained that there are two different types of CDBG grants.

City Attorney Amlung performed a **first reading of Ordinance 2022-17, Declaring the City's Intent to Annex a Portion of Unincorporated Kenton County Lying Contiguous to the City**. Mayor Hehman stated now that Bromley- Crescent Springs Road is a state highway instead of a county highway, we have had some communication issues and feel it is a suitable time to put a logical border within the City.

City Attorney Amlung read **Municipal Order 2022-04, Setting the 2023 City Building and Employee Holidays**. Ms. Boerger made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-04. Ms. Burns seconded the motion. Municipal Order carried with all ayes.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- The park is looking great.
- There will be a Park Board meeting on October 11, 2022, at the park.
- The Astroturf will hopefully be laid by the Park Board meeting date.
- All the tennis and basketball courts can be used by the end of the week.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- The State's road construction on Dixie Highway has begun. The resurfacing should be complete by the end of the month.
- Hero Night Festival will be tomorrow Tuesday, October 4, 2022, from 4-9 p.m. There will be a Blackhawk helicopter at the event. Adam Fuller has collaborated with the neighboring communities along with sponsor, Ashlee Kennedy of State Farm Insurance.
- Halloween Trick or Treating will be on October 31, 2022, from 6-8 p.m.

COMMENTS FROM CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Ms. Burns stated that the Garden Club will be starting back again on the third Thursday of each month in the Council Chambers. They have several ideas in development like winter seed sewing.
- Ms. Boerger stated that she would like to see an economic development committee created for the Drawbridge property & would like the City to have a say in what will be coming there. Mayor Hehman agreed that the City should be proactive. Council will need to hear zoning requests first and collect input from citizens.
- Ms. Nachazel asked about the steps that need to be taken regarding Stage 1 Intent to Annex. The City Administrator stated that a notice will be sent to owners within 14 days of the second reading of the ordinance. Property owners can express their thoughts on the subject and then Council will vote whether to annex or not. If the City Council votes to annex, 50% of those property owners may submit a petition to the Circuit Clerk not to annex and then it will be on the ballot November 2023. The property is below Edenderry Drive and is in all Kenton County unincorporated property.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

City Clerk/Treasurer, Amy Guenther

- Chris Clifford started on September 29 as the Deputy City Clerk/Human Resource Assistant at the front desk.
- We have collected about \$480,000 in city taxes.

Fire Chief, Adam Fuller

- Chief Fuller, Assistant Chief Slusser and Captain Brooks completed FEMA training.
- 37 life safety inspections, 5 car seat installation and 5 public education events have been completed.
- New public education material will be unveiled at the Hero Night Festival.

Police Chief, Andrew Schierberg

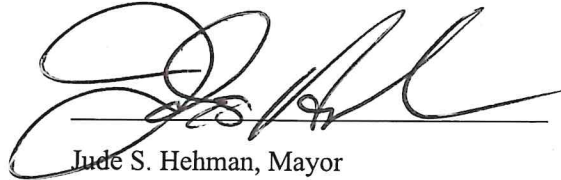
- There have been some random theft incidents of a few vehicles.
- The police department is now fully staffed due to pay scale increases.

Public Works, Edwin King

- Requardt is still in design phase.
- The sidewalk bid for Beechwood Road near Fort Mitchell Place is in process of being awarded.

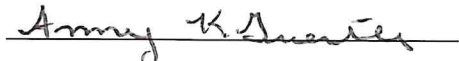
ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pohlgeers made a motion to adjourn the City Council meeting and Mr. Stoeckle 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