

CITY OF FORT MITCHELL, KENTUCKY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING-PLANNING MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
2355 DIXIE HIGHWAY, FORT MITCHELL, KY 41017
March 4, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Council member, Vicki Boerger called the planning session to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Boerger asked Ms. Guenther to call roll. The following council members were present: Vicki Boerger, Jerry Deatherage, Jeff Dietrich, Kim Nachazel, Alyson Roeding and Mike Stoeckle were present. Mayor Hehman called in on a cell phone from an airport. Mr. Pohlgeers was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT

City Administrator, Edwin King; City Clerk/Treasurer, Amy Guenther; Fire Chief, Dave Slusser; Assistant Fire Chief, Jeff Hampton; Public Works Director, Nick Tewes; Police Chief, Rob Nader and Programs Coordinator, Joe Christofield.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Dr. Roeding made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Stoeckle seconded the motion. After asking for discussion and hearing none, Mayor Hehman called for a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.

PLANNING SESSION

The department heads, city administrator and council reviewed the following project prioritization for fiscal year 2024-2025.

Fire Chief, Dave Slusser

- New Ambulance Replacement Order-Need Two Year Lead Time
- Recruitment & Retention Program Funding-Apply for Grant and Budget for Volunteer Coordinator & training. Runs will Increase with Drawbridge Development.
- Replace all Apparatus Key Secures-Estimated Cost \$16,000
- Upgrade Box Springs & Mattresses-Estimated Cost \$4,000
- Upgrade Training Room Lighting-Estimated Cost \$6,800
- Replace High-Pressure Lifting Bags-Estimated Cost \$8,200
- Purchase EV Extinguishers

Police Chief, Rob Nader

- \$4,000 Health Insurance Waiver for Hiring of Retired Officers that are not Contract
- Create Step-In Pay Grades Plan Based on Total Experience Time
- Update City Building Cameras and add Public Works Camera that is on the Cloud
- Add Panic Buttons at Receptionist Area
- 6 Flock Cameras-LPRs-Stationary License Plate Readers-Estimated Cost \$6,000
- Two upfitted Police Cruisers
- Replace Bullet Proof Vests that are \$2,000 each.
- Decide on K-9 Replacement

- Budget for Continued Leadership Training for Officer Schrand

Public Works Director, Nick Tewes

- Complete Public Works Building Addition
- Complete Cherrywood and Fortside Circle Reconstruction
- Resurface West Maple
- Repair More Sidewalks
- Purchase Ford F-550 to replace 2012 Dump Truck
- Reconstruct Royal Drive-\$2,000,000 Committed
- HVAC System Repair/Replacement in Administration and Below Administration
- Kentucky Transportation to Add Traffic Light at Oriental Wok
- Petition Kentucky Transportation to Add Curb & Gutter to Dixie Highway and Possible Sidewalk Engineering on City Building Side
- Realignment of Sunnymede with Requardt
- EV Charging Stations

Programs Coordinator, Joe Christofield

- Update City Website
- Reestablish City Business Breakfast
- Create Fort Mitchell City History Timeline Wall Banner
- Revamp City Tree Lighting Event-Add Carriage Rides
- Create New City Event for Adults
- Install Outfield Baseball Field Fence

City Clerk Treasurer, Amy Guenther

- Modernize Liquor License
- Update Personnel Policy with KLC
- Build Employee Intranet
- Procure Cleaning Service Contract
- Bring Forth Ordinance Regarding Medical Cannabis Dispensaries
- Hire Replacement Administrative Assistant

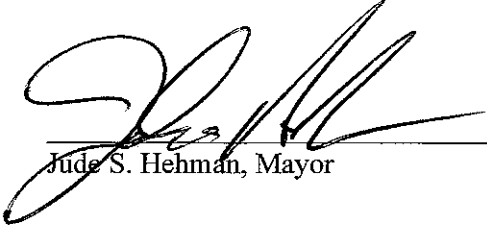
City Administrator, Edwin King

- Take Over Unowned Park Road Property and Repair Dam
- Budget for Employee Raises-Kentucky COLA is 3.4% and the 2023 Inflation Average was 4.1%
- Move Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) to the Housing Authority of Covington
- Update Pay for Future Elected Officials
- Add One More Phase of Dixie Highway Trees & Tree Board will Monitor Health of Trees

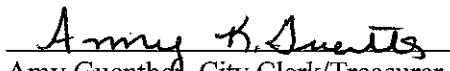
Mayor Hehman requested businesses to sponsor alcohol for appreciation dinner.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Roeding made a motion to adjourn the City Council meeting and Ms. Nachazel seconded the motion. Ms. Boerger asked if there was any discussion and hearing none, Ms. Boerger called for a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.


Jude S. Hehman, Mayor

Prepared By:


Amy Guenther, City Clerk/Treasurer