

**CITY OF FORT MITCHELL, KENTUCKY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
2355 DIXIE HIGHWAY, FORT MITCHELL, KY 41017
DECEMBER 8, 2025, 6:30 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mayor Jude Hehman called the regular council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Hehman requested a moment of silence for retired Fort Mitchell Fire Captain, William E “Bill” Brown, who passed away on November 25, 2025. Mayor Hehman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Hehman asked Ms. Guenther to call roll. Council members present: Jared Arlinghaus, Vicki Boerger, Jeff Dietrich, Kim Nachazel, Greg Pohlgeers, and Dr. Alyson Roeding. Jerry Deatherage was absent. Mayor Hehman stated that a quorum of the City Council was present.

OTHERS PRESENT

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Hehman asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Hearing none, Ms. Boerger made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Dietrich seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked whether there were any questions and hearing none, called for a voice vote. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mayor Hehman asked if there were any changes to the minutes for November 10, 2025, meeting. Hearing none, Mr. Pohlgeers made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 10, 2025, council meeting. Dr. Roeding seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked whether there were any questions and hearing none, called for a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS AND GUESTS

- Luther Steel, a resident of Fort Mitchell, asked for an update on the Chelsea Road repairs. Mr. Tewes will address that in his Public Works report.
- Bob Kaiser, 35 Virginia Avenue, asked when the sidewalk will be completed. This matter will be discussed in the Public Works report. Mr. King advised that the schools will be given at least one week’s notice before this work begins.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

- Ms. Amlung performed a second reading of **Ordinance 2025-16 Setting 2026 Council Meeting Dates**. The Meeting on March 2, 2026, with a meeting label of Planning Session, will begin at 5:30 p.m., not 6:30 p.m. Mayor Hehman asked for any questions and hearing none, called for a motion. Ms. Nachazel made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-16 including the time change on the March 2 meeting, and Mr. Dietrich seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman called for a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Boerger	Yes	Mr. Arlinghaus	Yes
Mr. Dietrich	Yes	Ms. Nachazel	Yes
Mr. Pohlgeers	Yes	Dr. Roeding	Yes

- Ms. Amlung performed the reading of **Municipal Order 2025-07: Appointment of Greg Pohlgeers as representative and Jude Hehman as alternate to PDS Council**. Dr. Roeding made a motion to approve Municipal Order 2025-07, and Ms. Boerger seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there were any questions and hearing none, called for a voice vote. The motion carried unanimously.
- Ms. Amlung performed the reading of **Municipal Order 2025-08: Appointment of Shane Armstrong and Stephen Smith to Ethics Board**. Ms. Nachazel made the first motion to approve Municipal Order 2025-08, and Mr. Arlinghaus seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there were any questions and hearing none, called for a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.
- Ms. Amlung performed the reading of **Municipal Order 2025-09: Appointment of Julie Hart and Sam Cahill to Park Board**. Ms. Nachazel made the first motion to approve Municipal Order 2025-09, and Ms. Boerger seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there were any questions and hearing none, called for a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.
- Ms. Amlung performed the reading of **Municipal Order 2025-10: Appointment of Anna Kirschner and Nicole Clements to the Tree Commission**. Mr. Pohlgeers made the first motion to approve Municipal Order 2025-10, and Ms. Nachazel seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there were any questions and hearing none, called for a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.
- Ms. Amlung performed the reading of **Resolution 2025-08: Amendment to Bond Documents for Fort Mitchell Gateway Project to Incorporate Previous Right-Of-Way Upon Closure of Existing Royal Drive**. Mr. King stated that this is a continuation of the process. The City had to vacate the old Royal Drive, and this resolution places the old right-of-way into the area covered by bonds for the project. After the new street is open, that right-of-way will be dedicated back to the City and will be City property. Ms. Boerger made the first motion to approve Resolution 2025-08, and Mr. Dietrich seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman asked if there were any questions and hearing none, called for a voice vote. The resolution passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- The City is still working with Blessed Sacrament on the Scholl Resource Officer (SRO). Blessed Sacrament and the City have tentatively found someone for the role, but Blessed Sacrament are raising the entire amount for 3 years' payment, not just for the first year first. The City is on hold with hiring until the school is ready to move forward.
- The Mayor's Group Meeting will meet at the City Building on January 24 and Council are welcome to attend.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Mr. King spoke with the developer regarding the Fort Mitchell Gateway Project. The developers have made a lot of progress on Royal Drive. Depending on weather, the developers will have the new Royal Drive open at the first of the year.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS - No comments.

DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORT

Public Works Director, Nick Tewes

- There were some delays on the Chelsea project due to rain and snow. The goal is to finish curbs and gutters and then get the asphalt down for winter, so it is not a rough-driving road for the next couple of months.
- The residents and school personnel will be given at least one week's notice regarding the sidewalk work on Dixie near the underpass.

Programs and Communications Coordinator, Joe Christofield

- The Christmas Tree Lighting at Iris Park was well attended. Thanks to the Public Works, Police, and Fire departments.
- Tomorrow the City will host St. Nick's bingo for Fort Mitchell seniors in the Council Chamber from 2:00 – 3:30 pm. Nick Tewes will call bingo.
- The City's Christmas Lights Decorating Contest is this weekend. Santa and his elves will be out judging the houses and gift cards will be given to the 12 houses that are considered the winners.
- Fort Mitchell Day at Behringer Crawford Museum is Sunday, December 21, from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m., and Fort Mitchell residents get in free that day.
- The Festival of Lights tickets are sold out.
- The City still has tickets for the movie Elf on Monday, December 22, at 10:00 in Florence. Tickets are \$3 and can be purchased at the front desk at the City Building.

City Clerk/Treasurer, Amy Guenther

- The City's audit starts tomorrow.
- The City will be sending out delinquent property tax bills.

Fire Chief, Dave Slusser

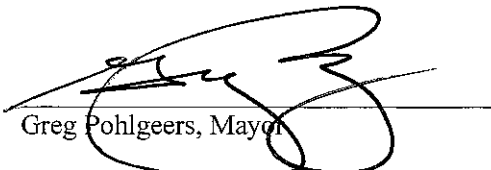
- In November, five volunteers graduated from Basic One Training.
- Tori Neltner, one of our college interns, graduated from the Kentucky Fire Academy. Ms. Neltner came out with Basic One and Basic Two certifications, and the only thing she is missing now is an EMT certification.
- Five volunteers, including Ms. Neltner, have been enrolled in the EMT class that runs from January to May. At the end of May, the City will hopefully have five new EMT's.
- During November, the fire staff completed advanced EMS training at the St. Elizabeth Training Center.
- All our winter fire hydrant maintenance projects have been completed.

Police Chief, Rob Nader

- The City's newest recruit will start the Academy next week. Officer Hill has been riding around with the other officers. After two weeks of online training, he will go to the Academy and will return in June.
- We are getting two new cars tomorrow. The new cars will not be road ready for another few months.
- Some people have damaged DCCH fields. The department is currently investigating and will have a resolution soon.

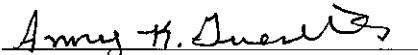
ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Roeding made a motion to adjourn the City Council meeting at 6:55 p.m. Mr. Arlinghaus seconded the motion. Mayor Hehman called for a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.



Greg Pohlgeers, Mayor

Prepared By:



Amy Guenther, City Clerk/Treasurer