

**City of Taylor Mill  
COMMISSION MEETING  
February 13, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Murray gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bell. Commissioner Kreimborg, Commissioner Murray, Commissioner Kuehne, Commissioner Reis, and Mayor Bell were present.

Commissioner Kuehne made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 9, 2013 Commission Meeting as submitted. Commissioner Kreimborg made a second. The Assistant to the C.A.O. called for the vote:

Commissioner Kuehne –yes  
Commissioner Kreimborg –yes  
Commissioner Reis –yes  
Commissioner Murray –yes  
Mayor Bell –yes

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Bell opened the meeting by stating that the first guest, Pat Crowley would not be at tonight's meeting to discuss the Brent Spence Bridge Issue. Ms. Bailey also stated that there was a change on the agenda, Oxford Hills Street Repair and the SD1 Easement Acquisition will be rescheduled for the March meeting.

**LEGISLATION**

Ms. Bailey did a second reading on an Ordinance establishing regulation for motor vehicle traffic at the intersection of Parkland Court with McCowan Drive. Commissioner Murray made a motion to accept the Ordinance. Commissioner Reis made a second. The Assistant to the C.A.O. called for the vote:

Commissioner Murray –yes  
Commissioner Reis –yes  
Commissioner Kreimborg –yes  
Commissioner Kuehne –yes  
Mayor Bell –yes

MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Bailey read a resolution regarding the Brent Spence Bridge. In summary the Resolution discussed the funding options and economic impact that the Brent Spence Bridge will have on Northern Kentucky. The Resolution encouraged elected officials to 1) study the bridge design and its effects on local business and residential areas, 2) evaluate tolls and the potential negative impact the tolls would have on Northern Kentucky, 3) make sure that toll revenue would only be expended in Covington and

Cincinnati and 4) that the City of Covington participate in all the studies and decisions on the Brent Spence Bridge.

Mayor Bell explained that the reason the City of Taylor Mill is concerned with the Brent Spence Bridge is that the bridge affects all of Northern Kentucky, not just Covington. Mayor Bell stated that collecting tolls would have a negative impact on all of Northern Kentucky because most of the traffic on the bridge is going from Kentucky to Cincinnati therefore it will cost Kentucky residents more. Also traffic will try alternate routes to avoid the toll, and he feels that Northern Kentucky doesn't have the infrastructure to handle the increase in traffic.

Commissioner Kuehne stated that he is opposed to the tolls, and that nowhere else within the I-275 loop are there tolls. He feels that the bridge should be fund by the Federal Government.

Commissioner Murray made a motion to accept the Resolution. Commissioner Reis made a second. The Assistant to the C.A.O. called for the vote:

Commissioner Murray –yes  
Commissioner Reis –yes  
Commissioner Kreimborg –yes  
Commissioner Kuehne –yes  
Mayor Bell –yes

MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Bailey read a resolution regarding the CERS Pension Reform. Kentucky League of Cities provided a Resolution supporting significant reform to the CERS Pension. The Resolution explained that a special task force was setup in 2012 to study the CERS Pension System. The Resolution supports the task force suggestions of a 1) new hybrid system, 2) to reset the amortization period for the payment of the unfunded liability for CERS to a new 30-year period, 3) to eliminate the cost of living increases for retired members, and 4) to add 3 trustees to the board to be appointed by the Governor from recommendations by the Kentucky League of Cities.

Mayor Bell stated that the cost of the pension has significantly increased over the years and that the CERS pension cost the city \$100K more this year than last year. With the pension increasing, providing ALS service, as well as police and maintenance service, taxes increased even though the administration staff has been reduced by two people. Mayor Bell stated that the new pension reforms actually save a pension system for the employees, stating that some cities in California have dissolved due to their pension systems.

Commissioner Kuehne made a motion to accept the Resolution. Commissioner Kreimborg made a second. The Assistant to the C.A.O. called for the vote:

Commissioner Kuehne –yes  
Commissioner Kreimborg –yes  
Commissioner Reis –yes  
Commissioner Murray –yes  
Mayor Bell –yes

MOTION CARRIED

## **GUESTS**

Patricia Schweitzer from 3589 Wolf Road informed the Commission that some houses on Wolf Road are leaving their garbage cans out in front of their houses and one is leaving them out by the mailbox. The Commission said they would contact these residents and inform them of the ordinance.

Ms. Schweitzer also informed the commission that there are semis and other big trucks traveling Wolf Road and she is concerned out the weight limit and the effect these trucks may have with school buses on the road at the same time. The Commission stated they would have the police department address this issue.

Ms. Schweitzer also showed concern about the amount of trash that is along Taylor Mill Road just before Knuk-N-Futz. The Commission said our maintenance department will use funding from a liter abatement grant to clean up this area.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Kuehne made a motion to reappoint Mayor Bell as the City's primary representative and Commissioner Reis as an alternate representative with MGLNK. Commissioner Murray made a second. The Assistant to the C.A.O. called for the vote:

Commissioner Kuehne –yes  
Commissioner Murray Reis –yes  
Commissioner Kreimborg –yes  
Commissioner Reis –yes  
Mayor Bell –yes

**MOTION CARRIED**

Ms. Bailey informed the Commission that she received a letter from Mr. Lafferty of 6178 Maple Ridge Drive, requesting to waive the penalty and interest for his delinquent tax payment. Mr. Lafferty stated that he dropped his payment in the box on December 31, 2012. Ms. Bailey stated that bills were due by 5:00 PM on the 31<sup>st</sup> of December and she stayed until 6:00 PM and she ran all tax payments that were in the box before 6:00 PM. We receive his payment on January 2, 2013. There was some discussion that Mr. Lafferty may have dropped his payment in the water payment box located out by the street and that NKWD may have put his payment in the correct box on January 2, 2013. After further discussion, the Commission denied Mr. Lafferty's request.

Ms. Bailey informed the Commission that she received a letter from the Deaton's requesting a full refund on their community center rental. They were cancelling their rental due to an illness. Mayor Bell asked if we should offer them another date. Ms. Bailey explained that we normally don't. After some discussion, the Commission denied the Deaton's request.

**BUILDING & ZONING –No Report.**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR** –Report submitted.

**ADMINISTRATION** –Mr. Robke informed the Commission that we had sent out the 2<sup>nd</sup> delinquent tax notices to residents. We have approximately \$32K in delinquent taxes which is about 80 residents. These delinquent accounts will be turned over in March to Mr. Wichmann for collection.

**ENGINEERING** – Ms. Bailey informed the Commission that she will have a report at the next meeting about projects for the summer.

**FINANCE** –Mayor Bell said residents can view the City's financial summary on our webpage. Ms. Bailey updated the Commission on the new webpage.

**FIRE** – Commissioner Murray announced that the next Fire House Dance is February 15, 2013 from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM. He also announced that the Fire Department now has a Facebook page. Ms. Bailey also announced that the City now has a twitter account.

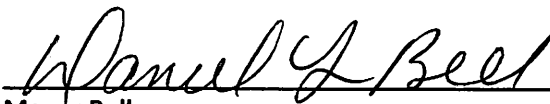
**LEGAL COUNSEL** –No report.

**MAINTENANCE** –Commissioner Kuehne reiterated to Ms. Schweitzer that the maintenance department will use the liter abatement funds to clean up the trash along Taylor Mill Road. Commissioner Kuehne complimented the maintenance crew on a good job during the recent snow storms.

**PARKS AND RECREATION** – Commissioner Kreimberg announced that the next recreation meeting will be February 25, 2013 at 7:00 PM. The recreation department is preparing for the Easter Egg Hunt on March 16. On April 13 they are having Wine & Chocolate event. Also Tasty Tuesday will be back again for this summer. Mayor Bell said the Tree Lighting event in December was a huge success and said the Recreation Department did a wonderful job. Mayor Bell also encouraged residents to sign up for his monthly newsletter.

**POLICE** – Commissioner Reis informed the Commission that Officer Mills and Mitchell took the Explorers to Gatlinburg for the Winter Games. At the next meeting the Explorers will demonstrate the drills they learned.

Commissioner Kuehne made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Reis made a second. All in favor, aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

  
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Mayor Bell

ATTEST:  Asst. To THE C.A.O.

DATE: 3-15-2013