City of Taylor Mill COMMISSION MEETING Wednesday, May 9, 2018

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Bell. In attendance were: Mayor Bell, Commissioner Frietch, Commissioner Kreimborg, Commissioner Murray, Commissioner Peace, City Administrator Jill C. Bailey, and City Attorney Frank Wichmann.

Mayor Bell: Alright I want to call the May 9th City Commission Meeting for Taylor Mill. We'll start off with an invocation by Commissioner Frietch followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Frietch: Dear Father, Thank you for bringing us together safely this evening as we collaboratively make decisions that we hope and pray will lead to the continued betterment of the Taylor Mill Community and its citizenry while keeping in mind the oath we have taken when accepting our positions on the Taylor Mill City Commission. We ask that you give us the strength and wisdom to make decisions, not only good decisions but the right decisions in times of adversity, as well as in times of tranquility. May we remember those struggling through these difficult economic times, those who are sick, and those who are well, those serving in our military, both at home and overseas and all of our public servants. Help us to see trouble coming long before it gets here, give us the wisdom to know what to do and the courage to do it. We ask that you watch over us and strengthen us with your power have your Holy Spirit fill us and guide us with your grace as we move forward. In your name we pray, Amen.

All: Amen.

All: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Mayor Bell: Okay, we've got a nice crowd tonight. Welcome everybody to the meeting. We'll start out with our normal business, the motion to approve the minutes of April 11th, 2018 Commission Meeting. Do I have a motion to approve?

Commissioner Murray: Motion.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Motion

Mayor Bell: By Commissioner Murray. Second by Commissioner Kreimborg. Roll call vote please.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Alright, we also now have, asking for a motion to approve the minutes of the April

25th, 2018 Special Meeting. Do I have a motion to approve?

Commissioner Kreimborg: I'll make a motion.

Mayor Bell: Mr. Kreimborg. Second by?

Commissioner Murray: I'll make it.

Mayor Bell: Commissioner Murray. Roll call vote please.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Alright, now tonight we have a special guest and we are involved now with the presenting of the Gordon Johnson Award and there's nobody more um great to do that is Mark Kreimborg whose been a Mayor for twenty (20) years here and he knows about Gordon Johnson so Mark, will you tell us about the Gordon Johnson Award that we are going to make tonight?

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yes, thank you Mayor Bell. Um, Gordon Johnson was the ultimate volunteer in this City for so many years. Uh, whether it be something for the City um or a resident that needed help, or he was on the life squad and the fire department. He attended all the meetings. He was just the ultimate volunteer. Uh, we he passed, we created a special award in his honor, the Gordon Johnson Volunteer Award that there has been several people in this room this evening who've who've also been awarded that over the years too like Rita Hasler and Todd Fuller and um (mumbled) maybe myself and it's just the the ultimate honor that this City can give to a person whose volunteered their time and efforts to this City whose just giving unselfishly of themselves to do whatever they need to help this City in any way they can. Tonight, we're we're recognizing Cody and I can tell you when I received this award, it was it was very special to me because I know what this award and this presentation means to this City. Uh, we don't take it lightly. This is a very very much uh an appreciation for everything that that individual has done for this City above and beyond. Uh tonight we are very proud and please to be able to honor Cody with this and know that this is very very special to this City and everyone that's accepted it in the past and uh I'll turn it back to you Mayor Bell. Thank you.

Mayor Bell: Okay, uh, Officer Mills will you please uh give us a summary of Cody and uh prior to the presentation please?

Lt. Mills: Uh it's an honor and privilege to be here tonight to speak about Mr. Cody Kledzik. Cody was a remarkable young man who was devote to many things. Cody graduated from Scott High School in 2015 and prior to graduating Cody made the choice to join the Taylor Mill Police Explorers. Cody joined our group as an initial member in 2011 and was active until his enlistment in the United Stated Marine Corps. While an Explorer, Cody exemplified everything that we expect out of our Explorers. He was always prepared and eager to help in any way he could. He volunteered at many City events throughout the years as well as participated in numerous competitions where he represented the City of Taylor Mill and Taylor Mill Police Department with constant professionalism. After graduation he continued to exemplify the lifestyle of public service by enlisting in the United States Marine Corp. Upon successful completion of basic training, Cody was stationed in the Carolina's. Cody was a fine young man and he was steadfast in serving his community and country and therefore he is clearly deserving of being recognized posthumously with the Gordon Johnson Award. Mayor Bell if you would like to come forward I will have Cody's mom, Jamie, come (muffled).

Mayor Bell: Well, just to make a long story is we're honoring the excellence in the field of volunteerism and loyal service to the City of Taylor Mill. Whereas, the City of Taylor has significantly benefited from Cody's years of volunteerism to the Taylor Mill Police Department Explorer's Program and his overall dedication to the Taylor Mill Community; and Whereas, Cody demonstrated a high level of personal character and integrity throughout his many years of service, exemplifying the lifestyle of a dedicated public servant; and Whereas, the City of Taylor Mill acknowledges the personal sacrifices that have been made by Cody on behalf of the City of

Taylor Mill; and Whereas, the City of Taylor Mill expresses its deepest appreciation to Cody for his time and talent, contribution, and dedicated service championing efforts for the betterment of our community. Cody's foot print will forever be embedded in the Taylor Mill community, where his spirit and his legacy lives on. Thank you.

Audience: (Clapping)

Ms. Jamie Feta: So, I'm not one for words but um, but I'd just like to share we moved here in 2004 to Taylor Mill, Kentucky and Cody loved Taylor Mill (muffled), where his temporary place was his home was always Taylor Mill. He would be truly honor. Thank you so much.

Audience: (Clapping)

Lt. Mills: We also have a plaque um that will be hung on the back of the Commission Chambers um with Cody's name on it uh expressing that he is the winner of the award um and it will be hung up in there uh in this room um for years to come so with that...

Chief Knauf: Mayor, if I could say...

Mayor Bell: Please.

Chief Knauf: ...it's appropriate that it goes to an Explorer affiliated with the Police Department probably back in 1995 Gordon Johnson, Gordon Johnson remodeled the Police Department along with Ray Fennell so nice connection there.

Mayor Bell: Thank you very much. Thank you so much. Moving on to our other guests we have. Tonight we have a special guest. We have Senator Chris McDaniel who's going to provide us with a legislative update. As you know the legislation just, legisla-legislation (muffled) a couple weeks ago and there was a lot done and uh we're happy that Senator McDaniel is here to fill us in on what is going on.

Senator McDaniel: Thank you Mr. Mayor and uh certainly uh thank them for everything that Cody had given, not just to the community, but to the nation and that is certainly a sad time for all involved but it's wonderful that the City is able to recognize fine young people like that who give us the opportunity to serve in peace. Um so, as you know this time around we dealt with one major Constitutional obligation and that was the budget. While at the same time dealing with uh revenues and the uh Commonwealth pension systems. So um starting out with the budget, it encompasses two different bills, House Bill 200 and 265 and Revenue encompasses two bills as well, 366 and 487. Uh the budget mainly had the the biggest feature was a six and a quarter percent cut for most of the state agencies however at the same time we were able to invest a record amount four thousand dollars per pupil and the seat formula which is the primary funding mechanism uh for the Commonwealth Schools. But also we were able to implement outcome based funding which is something that uh Northern Kentucky University has sought for a long time um and as most of you probably know NKU is the best performing of the Commonwealth Regional Universities, but also the lowest funded. And this will begin to reward the result uh not just the political maneuvering of individual universities. We were able to fully fund the Family

Resource Youth Centers and Kentucky State Police, as well as to invest twenty one million dollars each year into the University of Kentucky for health disparity studies. Now these studies are um very important. Uh we see a lot of uh disparities particularly in Appalachian Kentucky is where we focus on and there's three point one billion dollars in the last time (muffled) passed by Congress to flow through the National Institute for Health for grants. This will allow UK to compete for that. We added one hundred and ten slots for acquired brain injury waivers as well as increased the reimbursement rates for supports for community living. And any of you that have been involved with the A-B IRS seal program know that these these programs serve the the most des- those who are most desperate in need um in our society. In by and large, these are folks who were just flat born or something happen in life that made them unable to function without ongoing support from another human being. We put two point five million each year into pediatric cancer research and fund kinship care. We also fully funded the seek health insurance so that the burden isn't shifted to local districts and funded the library per capita grant program and this is what's administered through the state uh Library uh and Archives down to the local districts to help them maintain their funding. On the taxation, the revenue side, uh the first thing is we increased the cigarette tax by fifty cents per pack. We drop dropped the personal and corporate tax rate to five percent and said that there be no no tax no personal income tax if you make under one hundred thirty three percent of the federal poverty level. Uh in order to be able to do these things though we did have to expand sales taxes to repair installation and maintenance, landscaping, tanning salons, industrial laundry, small pet care, diet and weight loss services, extended warranties, pet grooming and boarding, dry cleaning, bowling, golf, health spas, fitness centers, and limousines. We also reduced the pension exclusion from forty one thousand to thirty one thousand dollars per person per year. But I want to by way of example talk about how retirement income works in the Commonwealth. First of all we are one of the very few states that don't tax social security income. So if you're drawing on average sixteen thousand dollars, uh for two individuals in the household, that's thirty two thousand dollars and it's exempt from income tax in the Commonwealth. On top of that, each individual can collect up to thirty one thousand additional dollars for a total of sixty two thousand dollars uh on top of the thirty two over here. So a retired married couple in the Commonwealth can collect ninety-four thousand dollars per year per retirement income before they begin to pay the five percent um income tax that we have. Um we did eliminate the ten dollar personal exemption and on the corporate side changed the single sales factor portion and next year we'll begin phasing out the inventory tax. Now this will not hit our local departments who rely heavily on the uh tangible property tax. Uh it's it's actually a refundable tax credit on your state returns so you will still collect taxes via for fire districts, for libraries, or water districts, or on and on. They'll still collect taxes like they always have and receive what they've always received um it's just a refundable state tax credit. As a result of this our income tax is not the tenth lowest income tax in the nation and our overall tax structure which was previously ranked as thirty-third in the nation has dropped to eighteenth which is good uh the lower the number in this case the better. On the pension side, uh which is the third big item that we dealt with this time around. First of all something that's not really known very well inside the teacher's retirement system is that in the universities, if there's an university employee who could be enrolled in the teacher's retirement but chooses an alternative plan, because keep in mind universities can offer alternative plans, 403b, TIA, (muffled) 457s, or such, um, if they have a professor who comes in and chooses that alternative plan, the university has to pay teacher's retirement five point one percent of that person's income every year for the privilege of not putting them in the teacher's retirement system. So we basically said that the universities don't have to do that anymore which will be a budget increase for those folks. Uh we froze quasi-governmental contributions for one year, uh so this is your health departments, your uh rape crisis centers, your uh uh (muffled) apartments, on and on. They simply are not going to be able to afford the increase from forty eight to eight two percent of payroll which is what our pension contribution at the state is going to be doing. We fully funded the Kentucky Retirement System for the third budget in a row and the Kentucky Teacher's Retirement System for the second budget in a row. Um it's a long term discipline to get these things back where they need to be and by long term we're talking twenty-five, thirty, years um, but we're making a good start and we're going to continue to work hard at it. Uh we did no funding for the legislative pensions that money went to the state police retirement. Um on the employee side, so for anyone in the KRS System, anyone of those five systems, uh we they're will be a requirement for a hard twenty, twenty-five, and twenty-seven, depending on your system. And what I mean by that is if you're eligible for a pension at twenty years, you will have to spend twenty years on the job to be able to retire. Now you'll still be able to use the sick leave, comp time, etc. to accumulate service, so if you have twenty with a year of sick leave you'll be able to retire with twenty-one years. Um but you can't have nineteen with a year of sick leave and retire and call that twenty years, you have to have twenty years of showing up and punching the clock every day or twenty-five or twenty-seven depending on your system. We also said you have to use a full thirty-six or sixty months for your retirement so you might go right now if you have, if your retirement is based off of a high three years for example, you can actually work twenty-five months and have that last month extrapolated uh which creates a situation where pensions become artificially inflated and that inflation has never been accounted for over the course of the career of the employee. So what we said is you have to work the full thirty-six months for your high three years, or sixty months for your high five years. Um we said that sick days were frozen in the systems at the end of this year so at the end of this year any sick leave that folks have they'll be able to use towards their pension when they retire but any future sick leave that's accumulated will not be able to be used for the pension and just will be a cash buyout at the end. For KRS retirees from 03' to 08', there's a one percent contribution to the retiree health which is just like the tier two and tier three employees have right now and all future teachers will go into a hybrid cash balance plan. And what that means is that the teacher themselves will contribute ten percent to the plan, the Commonwealth will contribute six percent, and the individual school district will contribute two percent towards that employee's retirement. Uh we did match all the school construction nickels this time around for new construction of schools and we wanted to focus hard on the problem of putting school resource officers into every school and try to bring that cost down. So the two steps uh we took in addition to funding the school safety programs were first of all we allowed contracts with the state police. So right now uh you if you have a state trooper that who wants to work all through the hours as a school resource officer by law they're not allowed. Um we allow that secondary employment for school resource officers so now Scott High School could go to the state police if you've got somebody living in High Ridge that's a state trooper and hire them when they're off duty to function as an SRO. The other thing we did is uh right now if you hire back a retired officer, um you have to either pay their health insurance contribution to retirement or you have to um put them onto your health plan, which is an expense, and what we said is if you're going to hire an retired law enforcement officer as an SRO they can keep their retiree health and the school does not have to pay for it so it's just another step to try to bring down the cost of putting SROs in the school. Um on public safety, uh we did allow the county police departments to hire retirees like

all other departments so uh Kenton County will be able to bring on retirees just the same as Taylor Mill or anybody, increases a little competition around here but uh, I don't think any of us are particularly afraid of competition. We did say no private prisons and provided for raises for social workers, the lab techs, and the state police lab. Also provided twenty eight million dollars to raise reimbursement rates for private child care agencies, uh so these are folks like DCCH or Holly Hills or Children's Home, uh who take care of kids who frankly are not able to be placed in the foster system and these are some of the toughest cases you're going to have out there. If you haven't visited with them and looked at their residential side you really ought to take a look at it. Those folks have not seen reimbursement rates increase since the beginning of the century and so uh it was time to do that. We passed House Bill 1 um which did major reform to foster and adoptive systems. As you know, kids have a tendency to languish from an initial removal to either a termination of parental rights or reunification. They also have a tendency to languish from reunification to permanency and it's nothing for a child to be in the system for two or three years. And the fact is this in my opinion is the most awful responsibility of the society to remove children and place them in a new home because on one side you're removing children from a home, and from the other side you're leaving children in a home where they might not survive and I can speak from personal experience there is nothing that will tear your heart out like reading the reports from some of those social workers when it goes wrong. And but it's a function society has to have and but for the children, we need to compress the amount of time that they're in that system and get them the permanency so they can begin their life anew. Um we passed additional crimes for gang recruitment and also expanded line of duty death benefits from twenty five percent of an individual's pension income to seventy five percent. And the last thing I want to talk on public safety, this to me is the (muffled) issue this time around because it's dealing with a very modern reality that has not been dealt with yet and that's the use of body cams by our police departments and what's subject to open records requests or not. Um so what we said is that there's some additional restrictions for open records requests. You can't release stuff that's inside of homes, that has sexual assaults, nudity, children involved, things like that. You would think that would be very common sense, but unfortunately there are people who like to make money by getting those things through open records requests and putting footage out there. It's just, and so we said that you know you spoke in use it for legitimate law enforcement and prosecutorial purposes, but you can't just have that stuff. There's a certain level of decency that we as a society should be able to expect. Um on economic development, we did say permanently, last time it was temporary, now it's permanent, that uh fish and wildlife has got to offer alternative (muffled) to all one hundred and twenty Kentucky counties. You might remember that uh this is this is a purchase that occurs during the course of a development because of potential wetland uh disturbance and uh they did not service the northern fourteen counties and we were up to paying four hundred and seventy dollars per unit while the balance of the state was paying three hundred and it was really disadvantaging our development efforts up here, so that'll change. We passed or preserved a historic preservation tax credit and also passed House Bill 370 making redevelopment of brownfields easier. Um lastly on to local government, the things that will most impact us here. Mayor you've spent a lot of time down there uh working on this issue for the phase in of twelve percent for your pension increase and I know you wore me out on that and many other issues and uh I certainly appreciate your advocacy for us because you come down and a lot of guys have uh folks show up from home who aren't really able to talk the issues, they just talk the talking points. Uh you are always able to talk the issue and we certainly appreciate that and we got that pushed thorough. Uh publishing requirements, how long have we talked about publishing requirements, we've finally got that done to where you can just go into the Enquirer and say go to this website and you can see Taylor Mill's audit versus putting that big audit in there so that should be a tremendous savings for everyone involved there. We uh passed Senate Bill 88 uh for prohibiting unfunded mandates on cities and also House Bill 2 modernizing the Commonwealth's workers compensation system. So those are some of the big things we did. On the road funds side we continue to work on 536 as a south avenue route throughout the county uh we have about thirty million dollars that will be allocated to repair maintenance on the Brent Spence Bridge, and nineteen million dollars for paving rehab east and westbound on I-275. So over the next two years, um you will see a lot of construction on I-275. Um those that are happy to see it getting smoother, I'll take the credit. Those that are mad, I'll blame it on Mayor Bell.

Audience: Laughter

Senator McDaniel: But, in all sincerity um we had a great working relationship Mayor with you, with the council, and I sincerely appreciate everything that everyone does to help us bring legislation home. We talked gosh back in 2012 uh, I stood at the podium here and said I think I can do this job best if we work together and I've said that at every City Council meeting that I've been to for the last six years so I continue to say we do it best when we work together at all layers of government, city, county, state, federal. And I appreciate the help of everybody here uh tonight. So one other thing that I did want to mention, Jill I apologize to you but this will be the last meeting I think where I get to see you here so our loss is Ft. Wright's gain, but uh, you are officially a Kentucky Colonel at this point but the Secretary of State has one printer that does Kentucky Colonels and it's been down and they're waiting on a part so for that I apologize (muffled). Thank you for everything you've done for Taylor Mill. Good luck in Fort Wright.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you so much. I appreciate that.

Senator McDaniel: We do appreciate you. Mayor, Council, thank you very much for everything you guys do uh.

Mayor Bell: Thank you for your comments. Thank you for kindness. And thank you for your work. I know the twelve percent thing was big for us, so we're happy about that. I know you sponsored the bill to make that happen, so I appreciate that.

Senator McDaniel: I do. I do. Thank you for everything for all's involvement as well.

Commissioner Murray: Could you tell us while your here that twelve percent, how many years this is going to be over?

Senator McDaniel: Um so it's looking like it's going to take about five to six years depending on the system so the uh as you know the rates are different for the hazardous and nonhazardous systems so one will take a little longer than the other, but it's probably going to take about five to six percent. Obviously, you know if the stock market continues on the (muffled) it's on, um the funding ratios will go up which will bring the arc down and that will be even sooner. So, um all things being equal, if we, if we stick to a five point four percent rate of return which is what's

estimated for the systems um you're looking at five to six year to full to work your way into funding the arc.

Commissioner Murray: Like this year, its seventy thousand, next year what will it be? Will it be seventy again?

Senator McDaniel: It it'll be roughly the same year after year until we work our way (muffled).

Commissioner Murray: It'll seventy, seventy, won't be seventy, one hundred and forty...

Senator McDaniel: No, no it it won't be, you, because what we're doing is we're actually phasing in these assumptions that were changed, which is the percent of payroll and investment rate of return. No, uh, that was going to be a lot for folks to buy it all and uh certainly it was a bridge to far, and I'm glad we got it.

Commissioner Murray: We really appreciate all you did on that because we were looking at a couple hundred thousand and that wasn't pretty.

Senator McDaniel: Yeah, I, I'm glad we're able to help and I, it it, the fact is we got to be honest about these pension assumptions because for years it's just not been that way on the KRS Board and so uh we had to be honest about the assumptions. I told many people I could argue a little bit higher on your rate of return, I could argue a little bit lower on your rate of return. I mean you're going to have different opinions. Payroll I think they were right where they needed to be and uh ultimately we'll get these systems back to health. It's going to take time, the c-systems will be there the fastest of them all. The k-(muffled) because it's at thirteen percent funded right now. But we're going to get there but it's going to take a long time. We'll make it work. We'll get there.

Commissioner Murray: Thank you.

Senator McDaniel: Thank you.

Mayor Bell: Anyone else have a comment? Well thank you very much.

(Multiple people speaking)

(Clapping)

Mayor Bell: Alright, very informative. So now uh (muffled) any of the audience would like to address the Commission?

Mr. Ed Kuehne of 5303 Old Taylor Mill Road addressed the Commission: Mayor, Commissioners, everybody else. Those that don't know me, my name's Ed Kuehne. I'm a thirty-two year resident of the City of Taylor Mill. I live at 5303 Old Taylor Mill Road. You've got a special person here that's departing tonight named Jill Bailey. I've personally, along with my wife, want to say thank you for everything you've done for us over the years. I look back over

your twenty-plus years here, and what you've done. The old farm was here on the corner when we, when we moved in this city. We looked at this from, next door, the fire, or the fire department used to be where the police department is, no fire department behind it. I can go on and on and on, this City has come light years, the last couple years so, so, but I want to say over the twenty years of your direction, it's been great. You're going to be missed.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you.

Mr. Kuehne: And a lot of people understand that. A lot of people sitting in this room understand that. I spent six years on the Commission. You were always there to let us know what was happening. You were always there to answer questions for us. You were always there to help the citizens that we sent to you for direction. Again, I say thank you. I say thank you not only for myself, from my wife. Your dedication, your service, is impeccable. (muffled) I don't know how many of you all understand when you're on a Commission and if a major accident happens or a major storm comes through, so forth, she lets us know. And then with her staff she's also got them trained that they'll send stuff out on email to everybody with what's going on. Thank you. Thank you for that. And I just have to say on behalf of myself, our family, my family, thank you. Good luck at your adventure at Ft. Wright. Wish you were back here.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you. I appreciate it, Ed. We worked together many years, and it was a great time. I appreciated the confidence that you placed in me and we did some good projects so it was um, I appreciated your support. And I appreciate you coming in this evening.

Mayor Bell: Anyone else like to address the Commission? Nope, okay, anybody...

Mr. Matt Martin of 3205 Huntersridge Drive addressed the Commission: I will.

Mayor Bell: Okay, Matt...

Mr. Martin: I'll, I'm going to be real quick here, um, thank you Jill for working on the Z-21 with me.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you.

Mr. Martin: And it was definitely a pleasure, uh, but as I was looking over our schedule for the Commission that will be here after she leaves, we have a uh, task force coming up here in two weeks. So I don't know who you want to appoint or who will come with, try to accompany me on that. The next task force after that falls right at a vacation in the beginning of July, so I probably, if it holds the schedule, I probably will not make that task force meeting, so I'm making you guys aware of that. It's a discussion that had not be had now, I don't want to hold up the meeting, but uh, assign a few people to it so.

Ms. Bailey: A little bit of an update...so that is one of the files that I've transitioned to Chief Knauf, um he has the schedule in it that the Planning Commission had passed out to us. Um I had indicated to him, given him some, gave him some information about the project and indicated to him that Andy would be contacting him. I've already switched all of my contact

information um for those meetings over to uh Chief Knauf so he'll be receiving all those notifications, so. Now if you want somebody else to attend, certainly, um that's an option, but I have transitioned that to him already.

Mr. Martin: And the meetings are during the day.

Ms. Bailey: Yes.

Mr. Martin: And they're usually in the morning so it's not like they're a little bit difficult to rearrange schedules on. You usually get a notification maybe a week in advance, roughly, uh when notified and we should get a packet here within the week of this next meeting. (muffled)

Ms. Bailey: And I'll still be there with you (laughter). I'll still be there with you so if you have any questions, I'm happy to answer them for you if that comes up so...

Mr. Martin: I appreciate it. It's been a pleasure.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you.

Commissioner Frietch: Are there particular people that are, that need to be on the task force?

Mr. Martin: No, I think it...

Commissioner Frietch: Is it City staff? Is it Commissioners? Is it...

Mr. Martin: It can be obviously anyone but I think it's also to show that Taylor Mill cares that you're going through the process. Especially in July because I'm probably going to miss that one. Uh, that, uh one or two people show up for it, for that, because this, I think this is a pretty, I don't know, it's a pretty in-depth schedule to be completed by November 26th, 25th-ish, so it's going to fly pretty quick if they hold to this schedule and be done with phase 2. So uh, there's going be a lot of (muffled). So that, that's why I'm bringing it up.

Ms. Bailey: So the people who are serving currently, um most of the City Administrators who are representing entities are there. There are representatives from the Planning Commission and then a couple Mayors are in attendance generally. (muffled) who's serving currently representing the communities.

Mr. Martin: Thank you.

Mayor Bell: Thanks, Matt. Thank you very much. Anybody else wish to address the Commission? Please come on up.

Ms. Karen Schlipf of 3197 High Ridge Drive addressed the Commission: I want to second what Ed said (muffled). Out of my fifty years on Earth, I've lived here for forty. Um I just wanted to thank Jill for her dedication to the City. She really, really put a lot in behind the scenes that I know a lot of people don't know and I also know you're going to be really hard to replace.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you very much.

Ms. Schlipf: A lot of knowledge leaving, Ft. Wright's gain.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you I appreciate that. I've enjoyed representing you and if I can do anything in the future, let us know. Thank you.

Mayor Bell: Anyone else? See none. I appreciate those comments. Uh, now we move on to the legislative portion of the meeting. And we have a proclamation of the National Peace Officer's Memorial Day.

Ms. Bailey: Yes. It is uh a Proclamation of the City of Taylor Mill dated May 9, 2018, WHEREAS, Congress and the President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officer's Memorial Day in honor of the Federal, State, and Municipal Officers who have been killed or disabled in the line of duty; and WHEREAS, members of Law Enforcement Agencies accept a profound responsibility and work to uphold our laws, safeguard our rights and freedoms, and serve on the front line against crime, drugs, and terrorism; and WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of Law Enforcement Officers, and that Law Enforcement Officers recognize their duty to serve the people of their Community, by protecting them against violence and disorder; and WHEREAS, the Law Enforcement Officers of the City of Taylor Mill unceasingly provide a vital public service; and WHERAS, we recognize and honor the heroism of all Law Enforcement Officers, especially those who have given their lives so that organizations, others might live; and WHEREAS, also recognize the many sacrifices made by the friends and family members of Law Enforcement Officers; and WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Taylor Mill are encouraged to join with us and others across the nation to honor all Law Enforcement Officers who are currently serving, have previously served, and those who have sacrificed their lives in the line of duty for the purpose of protecting the life and property of our community's citizenry. NOW THEREFORE, I, Daniel L. Bell, Mayor of the City of Taylor Mill do hereby proclaim May 15, 2018 as National Peace Officer's Memorial Day in the City of Taylor Mill, and encourage citizens to join us in showing our appreciation to the men and women, both past and present, who strive to keep us safe. This proclamation shall have the full effect and force of the law upon passage.

Mayor Bell: Okay, do I have a motion to approve the resolution? By Commissioner Peace. Second by Commissioner Frietch. Roll call.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Alright, next we have a proclamation in regards...

Commissioner Frietch: I just want, I'm sorry, Mayor Bell, and I just wanted to put out there that National Police Week is also May 13th through May 19th, so people can just let our officers know that they appreciate them, especially that week, we'd greatly appreciate it. Thank you.

Mayor Bell: Okay, um, next we have a proclamation for the GoldStar Tribute Memorial Wall.

Ms. Bailey: It's a proclamation dated May 4, 2018. WHEREAS, the GoldStars Tribute Wall stands as a reminder of the great sacrifices made during the Gulf War, Iraq War, and Afghanistan War; and WHEREAS, the GoldStars Tribute Wall was conceived for the purpose of keeping the spirit of fallen heroes alive today; and WHEREAS, the GoldStars Tribute Wall reminds Gold Star Mothers and Gold Star Fathers that they are not alone; and WHEREAS, the GoldStars Tribute Wall promotes awareness to the general public about the sacrifices made in an effort to maintain the Constitutional freedoms exercised today; and WHEREAS, the GoldStars Tribute Wall was created by the Tribute to America's Fallen Foundation as they saw a need to pay tribute to the heroes who stepped forward and put their lives on the line to defend the many freedoms that are cherished; and WHEREAS, the GoldStars Tribute Wall is a semicircle memorial composed of 16 panels, with an overall length at the opening of 67 feet and 27 feet deep at the center; and WHEREAS, the City of Taylor Mill wishes to recognize and honor the heroism of all Veterans; and WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Taylor Mill and residents of the Commonwealth of Kentucky are encouraged to join with us and others across the Tri-State to honor all Veterans and their family members who sacrificed so much for their country; and WHEREAS, the City of Taylor Mill is proud to be hosting the GoldStars Tribute Wall and honoring all of our Veterans from May 4, 2018 to May 7, 2018 at Pride Park, located in Taylor Mill, KY and demonstrating our respect honoring these brave men and women via a series of events to include the viewing of the GoldStars Tribute Wall. NOW THEREFORE, I, Daniel L. Bell, Mayor of the City of Taylor Mill do hereby proclaim May 4th through May 7th as GoldStars Tribute Days in the City of Taylor Mill. This proclamation shall have the full effect and force of the law upon passage.

Mayor Bell: Okay, do I have a motion to accept the proclamation?

Commissioner Murray: I'll make a motion.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Second.

Mayor Bell: Second by Commissioner Murray, second by Commissioner Kreimborg, roll call

vote please.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes

Mayor Bell: Uh just want to add one thing and Gena you may want to comment on this. Um we were able to get the ladies that made the quilts. Do you want to talk about that any?

Ms. Forsyth: Sure, sure. Um at our Closing Ceremony we had um representative from a local organization, the Quilts of Valor, and they presented four um Veterans of their choice with a quilt that they made. Um it was very special for those Veteran who were in attendance and they wrapped them in it. They are looking for donations, they do this on their own. They buy all the product, so if you want more information I can connect you with them.

Mayor Bell: Right, and uh, my uh daughter's mother-in-law is one of the ladies who do those quilts and as soon as I mentioned we were having the GoldStar, they immediately volunteered to do, and they could only get four done, they wish they could have done more, but they were able to do four and it was quite a touching ceremony so we thank Vicki Moffett. By the way Jill, she's a Ft. Wright resident.

Ms. Bailey: Yes, I met her the other day.

Mayor Bell: Okay, and her sister Sandy Sketch I think is an Edgewood resident.

Ms. Bailey: Yes.

Mayor Bell: So we thank them for their, for putting together those quilts. They get together you know and do quilts all all through the year and they present them at different functions so, that was good. Okay, moving on, the first reading of an ordinance pertaining to a ban on short term rentals. Frank...

Mr. Wichmann: Yes sir. It's an Ordinance of the City of Taylor Mill in Kenton County, Kentucky, amending the text of the Taylor Mill Zoning Ordinance to define and prohibit short term rentals of residential real estate and provide penalties for the violation thereof. By summary, and as indicated in the title, the ordinance defines short term rentals and prohibits them in residential zones. This applies whether it be Airbnb, but also like, (muffled). First reading.

Mayor Bell: First reading, okay. Now we have the second reading of an ordinance amending the Zoning Code in regards to sign regs.

Mr. Wichmann: It's an Ordinance of the City of Taylor Mill, in Kenton County, Kentucky, amending Article XIV of the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Taylor Mill, in regard to sign regulations. Um by summary a couple years ago the U.S. Supreme Court uh issued an opinion that pretty much uh initiated the sign regulations voted in municipalities in (muffled). Various model ordinances were proposed to correct the existing ordinances to conform to that decision. The Planning Services here in Kenton County hired an expert out of Indiana University, I think it was, to uh revise all the ordinances from Kenton County specifically to conform to the regulations. That was a yearlong process. This is an ordinance adopting the (muffled).

Mayor Bell: Alright, so, I need a motion to approve and a second. A motion by Commissioner Peace. Second by Commissioner Frietch. Roll call vote please.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Alright, the next on the agenda is the Ordinance accepting the resignation of the CAO and declaring an emergency as a result.

Mr. Wichmann: It's an ordinance of the City of Taylor Mill, in Kenton County, Kentucky, accepting the resignation of Jill C. Bailey as the City Administrative Officer, effective May 18, 2018; and declaring an emergency as a consequence thereof; and temporarily assigning the duties of the City Administrative Officer to the Chief of the Taylor Mill Police Department in addition to the duties of the Chief of the Police Department; and temporarily increasing his compensation for the performance of those additional duties. Uh by summary again, it's a, it's what is known as an emergency ordinance. If it's passed by two thirds of the Commission, it does not require a second reading and goes into effect immediately and it uh assigns temporarily the duties of the CAO to the Chief of the Police Department and increases his salary.

Mayor Bell: Okay, do I have a motion to approve the ordinance? By Commissioner Peace. Second by, I need a second.

Commissioner Murray: What happens if we don't second it?

Audience: (laughter)

Mayor Bell: Then we can't have a vote on it.

Commissioner Peace: Sorry Jill you're stuck.

Commissioner Murray: I'll second, I'll second it.

Mayor Bell: Second by Commissioner Murray. Roll call vote please.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Um, before I vote, I just want to say I think Steve will do a phenomenal job filling in for Jill. It's a sad day in the City for Jill, for us to be losing Jill. I want to vote note, but I regretfully vote yes.

Mayor Bell: Alright, um, just before we leave this topic, I uh I think I might be remiss if I didn't uh outline a little bit of the career of uh Jill Bailey and some of the awards that she's received over the years. Uh she was the Northern Kentucky City County Manager Outstanding City County Administrator Award in 2015. She was uh this was really a big honor, the Outstanding Woman of Northern Kentucky Award presented by Toyota, Northern Kentucky University, Gateway Community College, and Thomas More College in 2011. I had the privilege of being a part of that uh presentation. She was the Northern Kentucky City County Manager Outstanding City County Manager Award in 2008, as well as the American Society of Public Administrator Early Careerist Award in 2002, and the International City Managers Association Conference Assistant Scholarship in 1996. So, she has a very long historic career. She belongs to multiple organizations and Jill you're going to be missed. I appreciate all your twenty-three years of service with the City and keeping us all in order and all in line. That was tough I know at times, so we appreciate everything that you've done and that's my final comment. Anybody else a comment?

Commissioner Murray: I was going to save mine for the end of the meeting.

Mayor Bell: Okay.

Ms. Bailey: Well I feel like unfortunately this is probably the time where you should accept my resignation. I feeling a little pressure from Steve to get out of my seat I think.

Audience: (laughter)

Mayor Bell: We've already voted to accept it.

(multiple speakers)

Ms. Bailey: You actually did not accept it, I don't think. Did you accept it at the last meeting?

Commissioner Peace: No.

Ms. Bailey: You did not. You have to do that this evening, so, um, I would like to read it if you don't mind for the record and I'll provide you with a copy of it. Um, I did submit it on April 19th, so I tried to give as little as over four weeks um, or as close to that as possible. Um, Dear Mayor Bell and All City Commissioners. It's been a privilege, honor, and pleasure to serve as the City Administrative Officer for the last twenty-one years, of my almost twenty-three year tenure, with the City of Taylor Mill. During that time, working in partnership with so many wonderful and talented individuals such as yourselves we have accomplished a tremendous amount of goals and objectives, and completed numerous projects and endeavors intended solely to enhance the provisions of our services and the overall quality of life for the citizens of this great community. It is with both a mixture of profound happiness and sadness that I tender to you my resignation,

effective Friday, May, April, May 18th, 2018. My decision to resign was not an easy one. I have, however, accepted an exciting opportunity to serve as the City Administrative Officer with the City of Ft. Wright. I would like to extend my sincere appreciation for having the opportunity to serve you and represent the City of Taylor Mill. I have made many life-long friendships; gained an invaluable amount of knowledge, insight, and experience over my career; and hopefully have made a positive impact on both the organization as a whole and so many of the wonderful people I've met along the way. Oh, I'm going to cry, damn it.

Audience: (laughter)

Ms. Bailey: (laughter)

Commissioner Kreimborg: Me too.

Ms. Bailey: Sorry. All of which have certainly positively impacted me. (laughter)

Commissioner Peace: That just makes it worse.

Ms. Bailey: Um yeah, thank you though. I wish each of you continued success in your service to the community and in the continued growth of Taylor Mill. And of course I'm committed to transitioning um and I wish everyone the best. (muffled). Um so that was my resignation, but I do want to say thank you to everyone, especially the staff. It has been truly an honor to work so many of you. I've worked with so many wonderful people over the years, um have gained a tremendous amount of knowledge and experience um at the organization. Every day was always different um which is one thing you love and you hate about the job. Um it it was truly though been a great time so thank you.

Mayor Bell: So we need to vote to accept your resignation.

(muffled)

Mayor Bell: Do I have a motion to accept the resignation of Jill Bailey? By Commissioner Peace. Second by Commissioner Murray. Roll call vote please.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Alright, thank you very much.

Commissioner Frietch: Jill I just want to say I do wish you all the best in Ft. Wright. I want to echo the um young lady with black hair down to her shoulders, I didn't catch your name, I'm sorry.

Multiple Speakers: Karen.

Commissioner Frietch: Karen. And uh because we chatted last July for four or five hours, I think it was five hours, and I had told you at that time I was very aware you had a lot of knowledge and she does take a lot of knowledge with her so. I wish you all the best.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you, I appreciate that.

Mayor Bell: Okay. Uh moving on to uh new business.

Commissioner Frietch: So, Mayor Bell, would we possibly have some unfinished business with...

Mayor Bell: We can if you'd like.

Commissioner Frietch: ...with um with the timeline of...

Mayor Bell: um, go ahead...

Commissioner Frietch: ...with the search of NKADD? There were some emails that went back and forth about engaging NKADD and uh getting the resumes, having them sorted...

Mayor Bell: Well, under, I don't know if this included in what you're proposing but under the new business we do have the executive search proposal and we can certainly talk about the timeline.

Commissioner Frietch: I thought that was unfinished business instead of new business, okay.

Mayor Bell: Well it's kind of like since we're accepting the proposal that was given to us by the ad district, it's kind of like tied in together.

Ms. Bailey: And I had added it to new business instead of unfinished business because when we left the May 25th meeting, there was clearly in my mind an established process and timeline that

you were working with. Um through subsequent emails you have, you had veered off that course so uh the contract was provided to me and I added it to the agenda and it should have been in your packet for discussion purposes this evening.

Mayor Bell: I'm sure it is.

Commissioner Peace: It is.

Mayor Bell: So,

Commissioner Frietch: So, I have one other item then um and...

Mayor Bell: Unfinished?

Commissioner Frietch: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Okay.

(CLERK NOTE: FROM THIS SECTION ON, THERE ARE SEVERAL OCCURENCES OF MULTIPLE SPEAKERS TALKING AT A TIME. I CAPTURED AS MUCH OF EACH SPEAKER AS I COULD MAKE OUT DURING THOSE INSTANCES.)

Commissioner Frietch: It's unfortunate with the timing of it all, but um, and I have just a couple questions for transparency with our residents and I have a couple questions for Frank. So, there was an item that was typed up and around and it was uh discovered by Frank answering an email at our last regular Commission Meeting that it was an item that was not an item that could be discussed in executive session and therefore it would have to be an item discussed in the Commission and so my question, do you also, Frank, I think we talked about this already was that this, there was a memorandum typed up on March 7th and distributed to all the Commission. That that is available for record request?

Mr. Wichmann: Yes.

Commissioner Frietch: Okay. And then I had answered that memorandum because the memorandum was distributed and it attempted to put me in very poor light and I had a response to it on, I believe it was March 13th. Now that's available for record request as well, right?

Mr. Wichmann: Yes.

Commissioner Frietch: So, I just want to let the residents know and I do want the minutes to reflect this, that if there is a request for the memorandum, it has to be very specific, the request. It has to say that they want the memorandum, but it also has to state that they want the response to the memorandum as well. So, I just wanted to put that out there and let residents know that that's the case. Now, because I have a copy of that, am I, if someone asks me, am I allowed to share that with them?

Mr. Wichmann: You're required to share it with them.

Commissioner Frietch: I'm required to share it with them?

Mr. Wichmann: You are an...in the open records act, each individual Commissioner is a um I forgot the exact word, but it's a uh it's within the definition of a public agency. So you, as an individual, are within the definition of a public agency and and open records requests are submitted to you, not to the City Clerk, not to the City, submitted to you, you're required to provide copies of it.

Commissioner Frietch: Do I have to charge them for those copies?

Mr. Wichmann: No. You can, but you don't have to.

Commissioner Frietch: Okay.

Chief Knauf: The elephant in the room is that it deals with you and I and if that comes out, I stand by that memo one hundred and ten percent.

Commissioner Frietch: I have no problems with dealing with you on a, when I, the few times...

Chief Knauf: You chose to go a different route. I stand by that memo one hundred and ten percent.

(multiple speakers)

Ms. Bailey: And I stand by that memo also.

Chief Knauf: Absolutely.

Ms. Bailey: And I issued that memorandum. I'll leave copies of it with the attached emails for anyone to view. Um there was not an intention or an attempt to make us look, to make you look bad. It was fact...

(multiple speakers)

Chief Knauf: It deals with the toxic work environment that you've created.

Commissioner Frietch: No. No.

Chief Knauf: And that's why she's leaving.

Commissioner Frietch: I had, we had very little contact anyway, Steve.

Chief Knauf: I'll stake my reputation on it. I will stake my reputation on it.

Commissioner Frietch: We had very little contact...

Chief Knauf: Absolutely wrong. Categorically wrong.

Commissioner Frietch: ...for a very long time.

Chief Knauf: People get the memo. People get the memo. I'll answer your questions.

Commissioner Frietch: That's fine but it's it's not true. I was blindsided by this memo.

(multiple speakers)

Chief Knauf: Absolutely not that's what you did. That's what you did. You blindsided people.

Ms. Bailey: That is not...and I am offended by the fact that you're absolutely calling me a liar and you've indicated in your response that I fabricated it up.

Chief Knauf: It's a false narrative and that's an isolated statement.

Ms. Bailey: Absolutely not.

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Frietch: No. Residents, Residents, you're free to read the memorandum and the response.

Ms. Bailey: Read the memo, read the emails attached to it. Absolutely.

Commissioner Frietch: I hide nothing. I was blindsided.

Chief Knauf: I'll stake my thirty-year reputation on is as Police Chief. Absolutely. My reputation and integrity is everything in my job and I didn't want to fight this battle in a public forum but that's what you do traditionally.

Commissioner Frietch: No. No. This had to be known to the residents. If this was not made known to the residents somebody could pull this straight out five or six months from now and I choose to let residents know about it...

(multiple speakers)

Chief Knauf: I don't know why you pay me such a handsome salary. You tried to micromanage me...

Commissioner Frietch: No I have not ever micromanaged you.

Chief Knauf: Get the memo. You're absolutely right.

Ms. Bailey: I, yeah, I stand by by the memo that was submitted. I submitted it to the entire City Commission for response.

Chief Knauf: ...inflammatory emails. Get the emails. Good point...(muffled)

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Peace: Guys, let, lets, lets put the put the cap on it. If you want to get the memorandum you can get it, but you're advised that there is a response to it. You can request the response also and you can hash it out for yourselves. But there's there's not, you don't automatically get both of them when you request it. You have to physically request the memo.

Chief Knauf: And it's a shame she had to bring that up in a public forum...

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Peace: Well, well, and I, while I understand, I understand it because...

Chief Knauf: You have a habit of walking over people. Will you let me finish and I'll let you talk?

Commissioner Peace: No, no, because because you cannot, you cannot get both of them when you ask for just one. She just wanted to make sure people knew that it's out there, it's available.

Chief Knauf: Okay, I promise, I promise I won't interrupt you. Now are you done? Will you interrupt me again? Can I have the floor for a second or are you going to interrupt me and bully me like you do everybody else?

Commissioner Peace: I didn't know I interrupt you or bullied you.

Chief Knuaf: Well, you, you, can I talk or are you going to keep talking over me?

Commissioner Peace: You are free to talk, sir.

Chief Knauf: Are you finished? Thank you. You brought this in a public forum, not me. I've tried to work with you for fifteen months. Since you come on board, you've created a toxic and hostile work environment for myself and other people with the in-battling and in-fighting that you caused and all the drama that you strew with your partner over here. She's leaving for one reason, toxic work environment.

Commissioner Frietch: Absolutely not.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Absolute true.

Commissioner Frietch: Absolutely not.

Commissioner Kreimborg: No, it's true.

Commissioner Frietch: Jill is leaving because she feels like she can better herself (muffled) in Ft. Wright.

Chief Knauf: Toxic work environment. You're wrong.

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Kreimborg: Let me tell, when I was with, when I went to the county, when I went to the county...

(multiples speakers)

Commissioner Frietch: Wait a minute. I'm going to answer and...

Commissioner Kreimborg: Okay, then I'm going to answer you then.

Commissioner Frietch: This...there's no way there's toxic. There was very few emails and very few phone calls between us and as a matter of fact as of late last summer you told me if I wanted anything, I needed to go through Jill to get to you for information. Now, Frank just cleared up at the April 25th meeting that Commissioners could ask for whatever information they wanted to ask for...

Chief Knauf: Absolutely. Of course.

Commissioner Frietch: ...from a department head. Well that was not the case.

Chief Knauf: That's not accurate.

Commissioner Frietch: You told me flat out on the phone. Yes it is.

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Kreimborg: But you're still trying to be the supervisor of the police department.

Chief Knauf: (laughter)

Commissioner Frietch: No, I'm not trying to supervise I just wanted information.

Commissioner Kreimborg: We've been trying to explain to you for five times now and even to the point you had a special meeting with Frank Wichmann to explain to you again and charge the City five hundred dollars to try and explain it to you again and you still don't understand it.

Commissioner Frietch: No no no, wait a minute, wait a minute. I've got pushed into that. This whole memorandum was trying to fabricate a situation that clearly did not exist.

Chief Knauf: That's not accurate.

Ms. Bailey: That is not, that is not, that is absolutely not accurate. You are calling me a liar and that is not true. That, that email was written based upon on accurate facts and emails that were provided to me in a situation that I had with a department head. I presented it to the entire City Commission. And for her record I want to make known that I did not respond to Commissioner Frietch's response to my original memo because it was absolutely insulting and served no purpose and probably needed an attorney to do so. So, I, there was not a response to me intentionally, or from me.

Chief Knauf: Read the memo people, read the memo.

(Multiple speakers)

Commissioner Kreimborg: When I, when I went to the county, Judge Arlighaus,

Commissioner Frietch: You did know (muffled)...

Commissioner Kreimborg: Now it's my turn to talk. Now it's my turn to talk.

Commissioner Frietch: A Commissioner went to you and said...

Commissioner Kreimborg: When I went I went to the county. Jesus.

Commissioner Frietch: ...that is was a suggestion for us to get together and have Frank Wichmann as a third ear. So.

(multiple speakers)

Ms. Bailey: No, no, let's let's be clear about that because you summoned the Police Chief and I to a meeting with the City Attorney and refused to acknowledge what the purpose of that meeting was for.

Chief Knauf: No transparency. No transparency.

Ms. Bailey: Absolutely. You said it was city business and...

Commissioner Frietch: That was city business. It was just for us to...

(multiple speakers)

Ms. Bailey: In my twenty years as your personnel administrator, when an employee gets summoned to the City Attorney's office, there's a disciplinary action that...

Commissioner Frietch: No. Absolutely not. Absolutely not.

Ms. Bailey: ...is taking place and I wanted to know for clarification purpose, if you were acting alone or if you were representing the entire City Commission. You were acting alone. They all referred that. They all indicated...

Commissioner Frietch: No I did not act alone.

Ms. Bailey: Absolutely. They certainly...

Commissioner Frietch: Commissioner Murray, can you please? I was not acting alone.

Ms. Bailey: ...indicated that you were not summoning us based upon their request and for a disciplinary hearing.

Commissioner Frietch: Commissioner Murray, I'm sorry.

Commissioner Murray: Well here, here's here's the starting line. We have very very bad issues. Uh toxic work environment, trust issues.

Chief Knauf: And we still have it.

Ms. Bailey. Yes.

Commissioner Murray: I talked to Commissioner Peace. He told me that we need to get Chief Knauf, Ms. Bailey, and Commissioner Frietch in a room with Frank to explain what the duties were and everything like that. So I talked to Sarah and I told her I think it's important that you get together and and talk this out. Now, unfortunately when she followed my advice, she did not say that Commissioner Murray was Commissioner Murray's idea. She said city business which automatically put Chief Knauf and Ms. Bailey thinking that their jobs were on the line. Now, I got, I was trying to get everybody on the same page as much as possible. I, I, I'm not, I am not trying to uh, that that's what happen. I mean...

Commissioner Frietch: And so was I. I called you and ask you what would be...

Commissioner Murray: If you would have just said Commissioner Murray said that he thinks we should get together, instead of saying city business. They automatically, the distrust, I called Commissioner Peace up then after that and said this is very very serious. We had a sit down and and I thought I met you, I talked to you one on one, I thought we had this half way understandable and that we were going to uh let sleeping dogs lie for a better uh uh a better uh turn...

Chief Knauf: I put it behind me. She chose to bring it up.

Commissioner Frietch: No. I did put it behind me.

Chief Knauf: That's you ammo.

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Murray: You weren't putting it behind you when you bring it up in this forum.

Commissioner Frietch: Because this is the only one I was allowed to from talking with, from asking Frank questions. This was the only way to let the public know that there was a response to this.

Commissioner Murray: Here's the issue. If you attacked other employees they have the right to uh uh state their opinion, now...

Commissioner Frietch: I am not attacking employees.

Chief Knauf: (laughter)

Commissioner Frietch: When people read the memo they will see it was an attack against me and here I am just trying to clear the air and get it behind us. Frankly people, Commissioner Peace and I have had a hard road to hoe since the election because people need to be mature. When there's elections that take place and people get elected in, that's how the chips fall and then you all work together. You work together to get things done.

Chief Knauf: We've tried to work with you.

Commissioner Frietch: That is not true.

Ms. Bailey: Yes, but when you are accusing people of malfeasance and criminal activity, absolutely. Absolutely you have accused me constantly and the Chief.

Chief Knauf: I haven't had a problem with anyone in thirty years, just you, and maybe him sometimes. It is what it is.

Ms. Bailey: Well again for the record, my memo, I stand behind it. I did not provide a response because there was really none one necessary to your response that would have not required my attorney.

Chief Knauf: And that was facilitated on a complaint based on me and I stand by it one hundred and ten percent.

Commissioner Frietch: I stand behind my response and the people that know me, know me well.

Commissioner Murray: Okay, so do we, the public knows now that there's a memo and a response to the memo and it's open records so if you need to see it, you should ask for it.

(multiple speakers)

Ms. Bailey: And I will make sure it is available and ready for copying prior to my departure.

Audience: (laughter)

Commissioner Murray: Can we please move on now?

Commissioner Frietch: Yes, I would like to move on.

Chief Knauf: Perfect.

Commissioner Frietch: Thank you.

Mayor Bell: Alrighty.

Ms. Bailey: I'm not so sure I'm sad anymore.

Mayor Bell: Alright, now we're going to move on to new business and this has to do with uh something I've been working on for the last several months with KYTC and uh I think I spoken a few times about this last meeting and it has to do with uh I think I got Covington and I are working together to try and get the state to take over Wayman Branch Road.

Ms. Bailey: Here are the maps, Mayor.

Mayor Bell: Oh okay, I have them. I don't know if I have copies for everybody.

Ms. Bailey: There's one, I've provided Phil and Mark there's, those are the official copies if...

(multiple speakers)

Mayor Bell: So, so what I wanted to say to you is is that it has moved forward. Now, in exchange for the state to take over our portion of Wayman Branch Road, which is you know is just a slip waiting to happen, which costs the City usually anywhere from one hundred to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars every time there's a slip. However, in exchange for that we have to take over, maybe you don't know this, but Mason Road goes past Softball City, is actually a state highway from years ago, okay. So we're going to take over that slip. Now there's an, not a slip, but that section. Now the, the bad part about it is there could be rock slides.

Commissioner Murray: There is rock slides.

Mayor Bell: There is rock slides. Good point, Dan. So we would have to then take some action to remove the extra rock. Most of the people that I've talked to on the Commission were okay with that but if that's not true today, we can back out of this, but I'd like to be able to uh yea.

Mr. Brueggemann: Mayor Bell, I'd like to just uh, we have had some dialogue with the engineers at the Transportation Cabinet. Uh, what we're, we've done, we've gone out and taken a look to evaluate the condition of Mason Road...

Mayor Bell: Okay.

Mr. Brueggemann: ...and uh we're in the process of that evaluation. The next step would be to meet with the cabinet to talk about what improvements that they would be willing to complete on Mason Road before the City would make the transfer because if you recall that the City recently spent about one hundred and forty thousand dollars on retaining, or pier wall repairs to stabilize um Wayman Branch um so the thought process would be to discuss with the cabinet their ability to make some repairs on Mason equivalent to that amount or there about that. Um I would make the transfer um reasonable and fair to both parties.

Mayor Bell: Just so you know, and I don't think I shared this with you, I had some conversation while I was in Frankfort about putting netting on that section of Mason Road and I was told it cost them over a million dollars to do that and at that particular time it just wasn't in the cards for us to get the netting. So perhaps in you discussion with KYTC, perhaps we can work out a negotiation where they supply some netting for us, as much as they did on the uh on the road on 17 going out to Independence, where they have some netting on those. And that keeps the rock from falling out onto the roadway at.

Commissioner Murray: Dan, Dan, I don't think netting's the way to go. I mean, I understand but 17 is a lot higher of a cut uh the, they put those uh barriers on there so the rocks they slide down and they do slide down a lot and hit the barrier. When, Marc, when did we uh work with the state to dig all that out?

Mr. Roden: Last summer.

Commissioner Murray: Last summer, and it probably could use it again by next summer.

Mr. Brueggemann: It needs it now.

Commissioner Murray: So what I would like to do instead of the netting is see if they would work with us at least one time to get all the access stuff that's sliding down and out of there.

(multiple speakers)

Mayor Bell: The netting idea came from Senator McDaniel.

Commissioner Murray: Yeah, well I mean, it would be good..

Mayor Bell: He was willing to do that for us, then I was okay with it.

Commissioner Murray: My only issue is this whole thing here, Bud's Way was never mentioned at the beginning and we're to take over Bud's Way. What is that entail, Marc?

Mr. Roden: That's county.

Commissioner Murray: No, that's going to be a part of our deal.

Mr. Brueggemann: No, that section is part of the Cabinet. The short end of Bud's Way is um a state route.

Commissioner Murray: So, what, what, did you look at that? What kind of shape is that in?

Mr. Brueggemann: It's uh, I have to check from my staff. I haven't looked into that, that section, but when you look at it the transportation cabinet, their policy is generally a two to one ratio for by which they'll take over um a city street. So basically they want to give you uh um give you uh they'll take over twice or, half of what you get to take. So they're...but on this deal is a...

Commissioner Murray: Bud's Way is the old main route going over Banklick Creek before they put the new bridge in.

Mr. Brueggemann: Correct. Right.

Commissioner Murray: What I'm curious about is is that bank stabilized? I mean, I don't want to fight something you know and find out that we have...

Commissioner Peace: Bud's Way sliding into the creek...

Mr. Brueggemann: I totally agree and you know...

Commissioner Murray: There's only like four houses on it I believe.

Mr. Brueggemann: Correct.

Commissioner Murray: Well, I'm curious on where it dead ends down there, what kind of shape that is in? Is it sliding into the creek?

Mayor Bell: Well it says 0.170. It says the distance on the...

Commissioner Murray: I understand that, Dan, but I know it's not much...

Commissioner Peace: But if the end's collapsing...

Commissioner Murray: ...but see there is an old pier down there I believe...

Mayor Bell: Yeah.

Commissioner Murray: ...cause that use to be the old bridge to Main on Decoursey and what I'm curious about is I don't want to get stuck if we got slides (muffled).

Mr. Brueggemann: Sure. That's why we're looking into both of them. I know that my staff is able to get down to Mason. Um I believe they've been down to Bud's Way as well and we'll compile some information and present that information to the Commission to make your decision.

Mayor Bell: Dan, at the OKI meetings I've been going to and subsequently with the, what they're looking at two east-west connectors. They're already redoing Hands Pike (muffled). And they're looking at Wayman Branch as being an additional east-west connector between the two highways 17 and 16. I think that's one of the reasons they want to take that road over. Now, what improvements they'll provide to Hands Pike, I don't know yet. That'll be another question I would have as to what they're going to do to improve the safety and also the runoff. When it rains there's all kinds of debris that comes across that road and it becomes very dangerous. Now, we already had fatalities there and it was in the Covington section but that was just earlier than what last year, we lost two lives, right? I think it was two. And uh that's what I have a question about. Are they going to be able to dredge that ditch on the hillside to make sure that water doesn't run across the road and create a dangerous situation?

Mr. Brueggemann: And I don't know that yet. I think though, Dan, what you communicated um that the state has plans to make that another east-west connection um there are plans and that would be a full transportation cabinet project which would address um drainage issues as well as traffic issues etc. And stability issues. So that would be a major project similar to Pride Parkway.

Mayor Bell: It's listed on the KYTC uh as number seventeen to project. We were forty-three but I got it moved up to seventeen because we need it, improvement to that road because the school buses.

Mr. Brueggemann: Absolutely.

Mayor Bell: And the number of school buses coming up and down that road particularly..

Commissioner Murray: That's a main connector.

(multiple speakers)

Mayor Bell: Yes, it is a connector. Well, I don't know if they're going to make it a connector but they certainly (muffled). A connector means that it's a big wide...

Commissioner Murray: But see, uh, the bus barn uh lot is on top of that hill there and they all, the ones that service Scott, all come down there.

Mayor Bell: All I'm saying is part of the discussion should be about that. What are they going to do to Wayman to make it safer now, just like you're going to find out about Bud's Way and you're going to find out about you know what to do on Mason Road before we agree to this, but I don't know uh where, when you're going to talk to them about this. Marc, do you have an idea?

Mr. Brueggemann: Within you know we would be prepared to report back to the Commission next month.

Mayor Bell: I know since I've been here since 2004 and maybe Dan you can help me, we probably have done three slips or four slips on Wayman and that's on our section. Covington's done probably that many as well. So there's still some sections dropping now.

(multiple speakers)

Mr. Brueggemann: Trust me, it's a good idea to make this transfer.

Commissioner Peace: Make it go away. (laughter)

Commissioner Murray: I think it's a great idea. I'm just worried about Bud's Way because I was never told about Bud's Way to begin with.

Mayor Bell: I wasn't either, Dan.

Commissioner Murray: And so that's my only...

Mr. Brueggemann: And we will look at that.

Commissioner Murray: You tell me Bud's Way's okay, Marc?

Mr. Roden: Bud's Way is far away from the creek.

Commissioner Murray: I'm fine with it then.

Mr. Roden: It does get high water though.

(multiple voices)

Chief Stager: Bud's Way does not get flooded.

Commissioner Frietch: There was a lady in contact with me that there would be a lot of water flowing down the hillside and flood out the back yard. She replaced her water clearing (muffled) lower level area, I guess we're going to call it a basement at the garage level and she had replaced it three times within a year and a half, a couple years, because of the water flowing down the hillside. Someone up there put a pipe in some kind of, I didn't crawl up the hill, but yeah, you might want to look at that because it would flood out. Her garbage cans were flooding down her driveway and down the road.

Mr. Brueggemann: And that's an issue she should address with um Sanitation District Number One.

Commissioner Frietch: She has tried that. She has had constant, and Marc Roden's been in contact with her I think as well. So she's gone that route with Sanitation and everything. It's been like a back and forth cat and mouse kind of thing so. And she still doesn't, she actually had someone come into her house and reconfigure. She has her sliding door closet in her bedroom

where the water heater is now just so now, because it still floods out, so. It's unfortunate, but you might want to take a look at it. Thanks so much I appreciate it.

(multiple speakers)

Mayor Bell: Okay, so this is a proposal, I guess we can act upon this after we get some more information next month. Is that okay?

Commissioner Murray: That's great.

Mayor Bell: Okay, now uh this is the conversation we're going to have about the AD District, CAO Executive Search Process. I'll start with a comment, anybody?

Commissioner Kreimborg: We've brought this up in the past about third party coming in looking at uh and helping out with the search to replace Jill. The AD District, I've been on several board with the AD District over the years. They're a very professional organization that handles these types of situations very professionally and do a great job. I think uh to utilize the AD District would be uh the proper way of going through this process.

Mayor Bell: And I'll just throw this out, we don't have to use them, but I also talked to KLC the other day and they'd also be willing to assist us as well. I think they do that for free though. I think. I didn't ask for a price.

Commissioner Peace: Nothing's for free. (laughter)

Mayor Bell: Well they can throw out, they have magazines you know, they could throw out the job, you know on one of their magazines or one of their uh emails they send out. So it's possible to get the word out and I can tell them to submit everything to the AD District.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Well that makes sense. Yes, utilize them in conjunction with the AD District would be great.

Mayor Bell: Yeah.

Commissioner Peace: So I get, I guess the questions was since we've done the investigation on the AD District and they do basically the whole thing as a turnkey for a nominal fee, uh the concern at the last meeting was tying up the Commission uh during budget time to be doing a search and if uh the AD District does everything for us, there was no reason we couldn't start the process right away and aim for the, aim for the resumes uh to be ranked and sorted, and delivered to the Commission at the July meeting.

Mayor Bell: And that's July 11th by the way.

Commissioner Peace: Okay, is there any, is there any problem with working backwards from that and having the having the resumes back to the Commission, ranked and sorted, by the July 11th meeting and signed the AD, sign a contract with the AD District to proceed? So we'll let the July

11th meeting be the date that forces one way or the other the timing between now and July 11th. That make sense? So Frank what do we have to do ordinance wise or motion wise to uh to move to have NKADD take over the process?

Commissioner Frietch: We need to rescind the other motion that we put forward?

Mr. Wichmann: Yes. At the last meeting you all uh...

Commissioner Frietch: I did a motion of the timeline.

Mr. Wichmann: You passed a motion...

Commissioner Frietch: Sorry.

Mr. Wichmann: You passed a motion for a timeline. If you're going to change that timeline you need to, you need to move to rescind that prior motion and establish a new timeline with another motion.

Mayor Bell: Alright, um, so, uh I have to interject this...I receive this just moments ago uh from uh Chief Knauf and it reads as follows: Mayor, with all due respect, I cannot take on the City Administration Position in order to do to conduct an effective job search for the City and citizens of Taylor Mill. I have, I have to have a relationship of trust, so that that does that seemingly does not exist with the two of the City Commissioners. Thus, I request fully, fully request, to uh... (what's that say?)

Ms. Bailey: Remain...

Mayor Bell: ...remain in the sole position of Chief of Police.

Chief Knauf: If you have trust, you have nothing, you have no relationship. Sorry, I think somebody else can do a more effective and efficient job for the City and God Bless them. Good luck to them.

Mayor Bell: So, um, the issue that we just read about approving Chief Knauf as the, right, we just approved that, didn't we not?

Mr. Wichmann: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Yes. This is, this is somewhat a resignation from that. Would that be correct in thinking that?

Mr. Wichmann: Yeah, you need to rescind the ordinance because it assigns the duties to the Chief of the Police Department...(muffled)....he's not willing to do that.

Mayor Bell: Yeah, right, so he's just not going to take on multiple duties in his, in his own words, due to the lack of trust and the relationship of trust.

Mr. Wichmann: But you have passed an ordinance, you need to rescind that ordinance.

Commissioner Murray: Do I make a motion to rescind it?

Mr. Wichmann: Yes.

Commissioner Murray: I'll make a motion to rescind the ordinance that we just passed promoting

Chief Knauf to the part time...

Mayor Bell: I have a motion.

Commissioner Peace: I'll give you a second.

Mayor Bell: Second by Commissioner Peace. Um, roll call vote.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: No.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: No.

Mayor Bell: Okay, so we're back at square one.

Commissioner Peace: Well, we we still need to continue with the NKADD discussion and that

timeline needs to be moved forward regardless.

Mayor Bell: Correct. So that's the timeline thing we still need to set.

Commissioner Peace: Right. Right.

Commissioner Kreimborg: More so now than ever.

Mr. Wichmann: The contract that the AD District doesn't have a timeline at all.

Mayor Bell: No, that's what we're gonna set tonight.

Commissioner Peace: Correct.

Mayor Bell: Phil just outlined the timeline. So we'll have resumes by July 11th.

Commissioner Peace: Yeah, have them sorted and delivered to the Commission by July 11th and that would back us into the dates for NKADD.

Commissioner Frietch: So we need to rescind the other one.

Commissioner Peace: Well that's what we're going to do with Frank. So we have to rescind the old timeline.

Mr. Wichmann: Yes.

Commissioner Peace: So do we need to make a motion to rescind the prior, previously approved timeline?

Mr. Wichmann: You need a motion to rescind the motion, the timeline motion that was passed at the last council meeting.

Mayor Bell: Alright.

Commissioner Frietch: I'll make a motion to rescind the timeline...

Mayor Bell: I'll ask, I have a motion to rescind the timeline that was passed during the prior uh Commission Meeting. You make the motion. Second?

Commissioner Peace: I'll second it.

Mayor Bell: By Commissioner Peace. Roll call vote.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Under these circumstances, yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Commissioner Peace: So now we have to make a motion to hire the AD District to do the CAO search and we expect the resumes will be delivered to the Commission at the July 11th regularly stated meeting.

Mayor Bell: Correct. I think I sent an email that, (muffled), I sent an email with that outline.

Commissioner Peace: And that was there, yup.

Mayor Bell: Yes, so I don't remember what exactly the email said but it paraphrased what you just said.

(multiple speakers)

Mr. Wichmann: Well the motion should be to authorize the Mayor...

Commissioner Peace: Yup

Mr. Wichmann: ...to sign the contract with the AD District with the timeline of whatever you said it was in the contract.

Commissioner Peace: Well, then I I make, I will make the motion for the Mayor to sign a contract with the AD District to uh to do the handle the search for CAO in it's in it's entirety and to use the July 11th date as the date that resumes are delivered to the Commission, sorted, ranked, what have you, and that, and from that date, the July 11th date, that's where we would begin setting, figuring what our interviews are going to be.

Commissioner Frietch: Well, the the contract will probably need all the timeline dates. Is that correct, Frank?

Mr. Wichmann: It can if you want them to. They don't have to have it.

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Peace: If you give them the one, if you give them the one date, they can work backwards.

Commissioner Frietch: Okay, I just want to understand.

Commissioner Murray: I would set the dates on July 11th because you don't know how many resumes you're going to get. You don't know how many they're going to recommend so that will be the time to set the timeline.

Commissioner Peace: And they can work backwards from that date.

Commissioner Frietch: So they're, so NKADD's contract is going to reflect the July 11th date and we not have other dates in it...

Commissioner Peace: They're going to have to back into the date because the July 11th date is the date we need the action here.

Commissioner Frietch: I just want to make sure we're agreeing the (muffled) contract.

Commissioner Peace: So they're they're going to have a set schedule and that schedule is going to arrive at that July 11th date.

Commissioner Frietch: Right. I'm talking about beyond that July 11th date, so...

Commissioner Peace: Beyond that, we'll have to make that determination when we see how many applications we have.

Commissioner Frietch: Because I don't know what NKADD, like we don't know what the format of their contract is.

Commissioner Peace: So we need to get to the 11th of July first.

Commissioner Kreimborg: I hope we get some good candidates because I don't know who in the hell would come to this toxic environment.

Mayor Bell: Um, okay, so I'm assuming that we've already...

Commissioner Peace: Made the motion for you to be able to sign the contract with NKADD.

Mayor Bell: Alright, so, motion. A second.

Ms. Forsyth: We need a second.

Mayor Bell: Need a second? Okay.

Commissioner Frietch: I'll do a second.

Mayor Bell: Commissioner Frietch. Roll call vote.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Alright, so now we're in a position where we have to discuss an interim, some kind of interim, and I don't know if we can do that tonight or not, at least on, we'll have to talk to Frank about that. We need some type of an interim, leadership for next whatever. It seems like til July 11th for sure, and maybe longer, and uh, I guess we have a couple choices. Um, I know, I know I won't be voted in and I know, I'll do it temporarily, along with the help of Gena and Angie, but that's the only way I can even come in and even do a tenth of what Jill does, a tenth. I mean couldn't do anything, but I can tell you on a day to day operation of our City, someone has to be here. Period. So, I you know, discussion?

Commissioner Kreimborg: Well, I think the Mayor's been here for many years and has much institutional knowledge as anybody else up here has. We're thrown into a kind of situation right now where we're kind of... (muffled). If he's willing to take that over at this point in time, I'll make a motion to...

Commissioner Murray: Does anybody have any objections to the Mayor handling it for the next couple of months?

Commissioner Kreimborg: I'm sorry, do what, Dan?

Commissioner Murray: Does any of the other Commissioners have any objection for the Mayor handling it for the next couple of months?

Commissioner Kreimborg: No, I think he's probably the logical choice at this point in time.

Mayor Bell: Well they'll be a lot of things that won't you know...

(multiple speakers)

Mayor Bell: I'll be in here, I'll do the best I can, but I'm not going to promise you...

Commissioner Frietch: I'm just throwing it out there, Gena just completed all the study...

Mayor Bell: Gena...

Commissioner Frietch: ...for the City Clerk and all and she's been here, how many years now? Three? Four?

Commissioner Kreimborg: But we still need somebody to do her job too, we can't just pull her away from that.

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Frietch: That's what we were doing before anyways.

Mayor Bell: It don't matter to me one way or the other. Either you do, or you don't.

Commissioner Peace: So if if you're willing to take it on while we regroup.

Mayor Bell: I'm willing to do it but I got to have the help of these two young ladies here along with the rest of the staff and I'll come in here every day and we'll do what we can do, but there's a lot of papers and things. There's a lot of issues on a day to day basis that you may not be brought abreast to based on the best of our ability as a staff.

Commissioner Murray: Remember, we've got the budget coming up next month.

Mayor Bell: I understand that. Well the budget will be done by Jill, that's, that's...

Commissioner Frietch: This is just a thought with the NKADD. Is there possibly any connection with anyone they would have that would be able to do something like that temporarily? And I'm just asking.

Commissioner Kreimborg: We're throwing somebody into a melting pot here that doesn't have the institutional knowledge that we need to have...

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Frietch: That's why I'm asking about NKADD. They would have people possibly that would be able to carry that on.

Mayor Bell: I'm not going to sit here and argue one way or the other. I just don't think you bring somebody from the outside, even though I treasure and value the AD District a lot.

Commissioner Murray: Mark, are you going to make a motion?

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yeah, I'll make a motion that we appoint Mayor Dan Bell the interim CAO until uh we uh bring on a full-time City Administrator at his regular pay that he's getting right now.

Commissioner Peace: At his regular pay

(laughter)

Commissioner Murray: I'll second that.

Mayor Bell: If it makes you feel any better, I don't want any money.

Commissioner Kreimborg: You ain't getting any money.

Commissioner Peace: You ain't getting any anyway.

(laughter)

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Kreimborg: I'm just kidding.

Commissioner Murray: Alright we've got a motion and a second.

Mayor Bell: Roll call vote.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: I'm going to abstain.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: If, and I'm, I'm positive about this but I have to ask Frank just to clarify. Is this okay that we have a Mayor hold that position as well because it would be holding two positions?

Mr. Wichmann: He's not going to be holding a position. (muffled)

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Frietch: He's not going to be hold the position, but he's just going to be doing the work?

Mr. Wichmann: That's correct.

Commissioner Frietch: Okay, okay, I just wanted to make sure I wasn't voting on something that wasn't right. Yes. Yes. Absolutely.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Okay.

Commissioner Peace: Thank you, Mayor.

Commissioner Kreimborg: City Administrator.

Commissioner Peace: I'm sorry, City Administrator.

(laughter)

Mayor Bell: I never expected this, I'm a tell you, when I left for the meeting, but that's the way it is.

Commissioner Peace: Broad shoulders.

Mayor Bell: Okay, shall we move on? Uh, I think we got everything set then. Alright. Moving on the City Administrator report.

Ms. Bailey: I have no report.

Mayor Bell: Engineering

Mr. Brueggemann: You all have my report. If there's any question, I'll be glad to ask, answer those, (muffled).

Mayor Bell: Finance. I know that uh Commissioner Frietch every month requests a uh monthly finance report, so I'm assuming that everything, everybody got a copy of that.

Commissioner Peace: Yup.

Mayor Bell: So, nothing, anything to report Angie?

Ms. Wright: No.

Mayor Bell: Fire, Dan.

Commissioner Murray: Let's see, (muffled). Let's see, alright, for last month we had forty-four EMS calls, twenty-two fire department calls for a total of sixty-six. Mutual aid, we gave two to Wilder, we received two from Wilder and we gave one to Covington, one to Edgewood, and one to Wilder. (muffled). Let's see, on EMS side, we had nine treated/refusals, four no patient contacts, twenty-four ALS calls, seven BLS calls, for forty-four total. Fire Prevention April, twelve inspections, one pre-plan, and construction projects, we've got Farm Apartments up there uh, Sharon Drive redoing buildings one at a time, uh and we also have Scott High School working their uh looks like they're getting ready to uh start drilling the holes for the geothermal up there on campus. And uh training classes twenty-one, uh Chief Stage live fire instructor, Kyle Boeckermann flashover and ARFF, active duty tasks hours three hundred seventeen, training hours one hundred and four. Uh Chief you want to take the rest and can you explain real fast what four no patient contacts are?

Chief Stager: There was no patient there.

(laughter)

Commissioner Murray: Well I figured that, but we went out and...

(laughter)

Chief Stager: We got, we got dispatched to the location...

Commissioner Murray: We were dispatched...

Chief Stager: ...and when we got there they were either gone or...

Commissioner Murray: They might have already went to the hospital.

Chief Stager: They might have been taken by a black car somewhere else.

Commissioner Murray: Okay, well...

Chief Stager: That's the polite way to say it.

Commissioner Murray: Well there we go. That's no patient contact.

Chief Stager: That's no patient contact.

Commissioner Murray: Let let Chief finish (muffled)

Chief Stager: Alright uh, I'll be quick. Um open burn is now closed. Uh you can still have recreation fires so that's uh little fire pits with uh friends and hot dogs, friends and family around, cold beverage. Uh no gigantic fire pits with large amounts of lumber, that's called a brush fire and we don't like that right now so that's gone. Um two weeks ago I was contacted by Tina Godfrey who's the fire program specialist for FEMA and asked if I was available to go to Anniston, Alabama next week to help with the safer grant reviews, they're backed up. Uh it's not a vacation, if you've ever been to Anniston, Alabama, it's not fun. It's the old chemical warfare plant that they do research on. Uh staffing level is fine. It's a completely paid trip by FEMA, all expenses, so I'll be going to Anniston, Alabama to help them. It kind of helps us because we're still in the running for our AFG grants and our micro grants that we have in so I like to play well with others. Um department is entering the uh state uh national training season so we'll see guys going to and from in the pick-up truck and the support vehicle. Um to relay a safety tip for May uh and to echo the Liberty Township incident where the car was going way to fast on prom season. Um speed and bad decisions kill. Um that's that's just be careful out there. Um we're offering CPR classes. All you need to do is call the station to find out when the next one is. You'll want to get it in before July and August because that's when Scott High School calls us for renewing all their coaches so if you need it, contact Lieutenant Bishop. Um if you see us out and about around your hydrants, we're doing hydrant maintenance right now. There is a state law that says you have to have three feet around your hydrant clear so we will send you a notice first and let you know you might have plants or something like that. If you don't remove it, we might ask you to remove it, or we'll remove it gently for you. Um uh the Water District is uh uh currently approving the water pressure in our area. This is not supposed to cause any problems for you, uh you should not get brown water like that, but you will notice a difference in your water pressure by the end of the year. And then Jill, thank you.

Ms. Bailey: It's been a pleasure.

Commissioner Murray: Mayor, Ed.

Mr. Kuehne: This is in reference to the Fire Department. Last Friday was National, this past Friday was National-International Firefighter Recognition Day, May the 4th.

Chief Stager: Yes sir.

Mr. Kuehne: And I think you all for the courage of the Fire Department...

(clapping)

Mr. Kuehne: The sheet that I sent to him had a little something on the bottom a lot of us take for granted called extraordinary commitment and courage. That's what our firefighters do. So thank you very much.

Chief Stager: (muffled)...We got one day, it's National Nurses Week. My wife got a week. I'm trying to figure out how that happened.

(laughter)

Commissioner Murray: You're getting a paid vacation.

Chief Stager: Yeah.

(laughter)

Commissioner Peace: Yeah to Alabama.

Commissioner Murray: Alright, Dan, that's it for the Fire Department.

Mayor Bell: Okay. Legal Council, Frank, got anything?

Mr. Wichmann: No sir.

Mayor Bell: Okay, Maintenance. Commissioner Frietch, or uh Peace?

Commissioner Peace: Close. Uh I see Marc's out mowing grass and fixing potholes and all that. I talked to him before the meeting, I guess, next, you're getting ready to start digging up some streets?

Mr. Roden: Starting tomorrow.

Commissioner Peace: That, that's that's good news.

Mr. Roden: McCowan Drive.

Commissioner Peace: I'm sorry.

Mr. Roden: McCowan Drive.

Commissioner Peace: Yup. What was it, sixteen panels they're getting?

Mr. Roden: Yes.

Commissioner Peace: It's a lot. So, I, so before I turn it over to Marc, I just want to say that the park looked great. Gena did a bang up job on the on the Wall with the facilities themselves looked you know top shape, so appreciate that. Uh with that, I'll just turn it over to you, Marc.

Mr. Roden: Yeah, my guys did a great job setting up that uh GoldStar Wall. They did outstanding. Uh on another note, Jill, I've been here fourteen years, you're the best I've had in a long time.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you.

Mr. Roden: I've been through a lot of Commission, Administrators, through the county, and by far you're the best.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you. I will miss you very much.

(clapping)

Mayor Bell: Alright, Park and Recreation.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Thank you, Mayor Bell. Uh, we'll start out with, uh, again kudos to Gena uh who did such a great job for the GoldStar Wall.

(clapping)

Commissioner Kreimborg: They were very complimentary and very appreciative of everything you did. Sam said you stayed on top of him the whole time and uh one of the best jobs he's ever seen and he's been all over the country so thanks to you, all the departments for everything you've done to help out with that, too. Before I turn it over to Gena, I just want to say, Jill you were twenty something years old when you came here to be our City Administrator back in the mid nineties. I was the Mayor then, served with you and worked with you for so many years. You're professional, you're intelligent, you're personable. You've brought this City a long way in years. You've gone through development, uh many subdivisions, the shopping center, the different developments. You're very classy, with very classy ideas, in which you brought this City. It'll be so hard for anybody even come close to matching. And I'm very saddened that you're leaving and uh so is Debby and our family and uh we wish you all the best and uh thank you so much for everything you've done over the years.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you. I appreciate the opportunity you gave me. I was twenty-three, twenty-four, when you offered me this job. I appreciate that.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Good luck. Gena?

Ms. Forsyth: Uh um, the GoldStars Tribute Wall, that was, that has been my focus for the last nine or ten months now. Um, it it had some rain, but overall everything went well. The opening ceremony went great. Closing ceremony we had to improvise; we ended up in the house, but it was still, it was still great. I was sad to see it go, um and I hope to bring it back again one day with the Vietnam Moving Wall. And that's about it.

(laughter)

Mayor Bell: Alright.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Thank you.

Mayor Bell: Well again, I want to say Gena thank you. I mean that was great. I had everybody that I saw were very complimentary.

Ms. Forsyth: Thank you.

Mayor Bell: And emotional, too, I might add. The City of Taylor Mill having the Vietnam Memorial and now this, I think it shows our dedication to to the military, those who serve, and thankful for those who serve and keep us free. Okay, Commissioner uh Frietch, police please.

Commissioner Frietch: Seems like May's got a lot of different recognition attached to it and I I didn't want to get past it that National Municipal Clerk week is May 6th through 13th and KLC put that out there for our City Clerks. I just wanted to acknowledge Gena for all the work that she does as the City Clerk, but also, as Events Coordinator because she did a bang up job. I was up there two or three days and it was a bang up job. Sam Nicoara and Bryan Bates couldn't speak highly enough of her.

Ms. Forsyth: Thank you.

Commissioner Frietch: The police report uh for the month of April. A total of fifteen motor vehicle accidents, four on Pride Parkway at various areas. There was twenty two adult offenses, ten of them are narcotics/drugs related, one was alcohol, two was assaults, two auto-theft, one burglar, one DUI, three theft, one vandalism, one wanton endanger. Uh total reports are eight, six incident reports and two overdose QRT referrals. That's uh quick response team referrals. Juvenile offenses, a total of seven, uh three various ones, one disorderly conduct, one abuse of a teacher, one alcohol/drug related, and one sex offense. Total citations are forty-seven, forty-four Kentucky Uniform Citations, two Taylor Mill citations, and one courtesy notice. The additional information of assistance received from other agencies, a total of forty-five. We received twentyone from Covington, one from Edgewood, six from Fort Wright, four from Independence, eleven from Kenton County, and two from Kenton County Sheriff's Office. Assistance given to other agencies is a total of forty-four. Twenty-two to Covington, one to Edgewood, one to Erlanger, seven to Fort Wright, one to Independence, four to Kenton County, one to Ludlow, and one to Park Hills. We had a a total calls for service of one thousand two hundred and fifty-one and within that was five hundred and fifty-six vacation/business checks and that was uh a pretty good drop from the prior month. I think snow birds as they call them are coming back in town from being gone possibly. Oh yeah and thirteen physical arrests and twenty-one alarm drops. Um and before I think Chief you all uh Taylor Mill PD was hosting Ukraine police officers along with other agencies and I'll hand that on to you.

Chief Knauf: I, I can't talk about that. Uh, out of the efficiency and effectiveness for the citizens of Taylor Mill, this relationship is totally broke. I would request that the Commissioner respectfully assign me a new Commissioner Liaisons because the trust is gone. I've got five episodes where she's done this to me, so with all do respect, so I can do, get back to doing a good job for the citizens of Taylor Mill, I need somebody I can work with.

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Frietch: There are not five episodes.

Chief Knauf: (muffled) I've got them documented. So that's my request.

Commissioner Frietch: I've always spoken to you respectfully, talking on the phone, in person, and in emails.

Chief Knauf: False narrative. False narrative.

Commissioner Murray: Okay, let's move on. Dan, what do you think?

Mayor Bell: Well, I mean, uh, our Chief of Police has made a request. So here I am in the middle of this. A request uh had been made to the Commission and uh the only thing I can think of and I remember uh back when uh the new Commission came on board January a year ago, uh Commissioner Kreimborg had indicated he would like to do Police since he was involved in upgrade the police in the very beginning because he was the Mayor at the time and so, I mean if the Commission wants to see that forward, I need a motion to to make that change if and so we can have some hopefully bring back some stability to the Commission and some working relationships...

Commissioner Frietch: All of that is false. I've always been very respectful.

Mr. Wichmann: The Commission's assignments are by ordinance.

Mayor Bell: I know, that's what I'm saying. We'll have to vote to change the ordinance. I understand that. And you know, I don't know if I've got three votes or not, but I I need a motion, I need a second, and then we'll vote on it. Do we need a motion to change the ord - or to submit a new ordinance replacing, I'll make, I think I'm saying this right, uh replacing Commissioner Frietch as as Police Liaison...

Commissioner Frietch: Actually I was very fine fine with you being the CAO Interim too. Been here thirty years and never had an episode like this.

(multiple speakers)

Mayor Bell: Well, I have, I have to get through this. I have to get through this. I'm sorry, go ahead.

Commissioner Murray: Let's give every Commissioner a chance to talk.

Mayor Bell: I will. Talk, please.

Commissioner Murray: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: You asking if I support the change?

Commissioner Murray: Yeah.

Commissioner Peace: I don't care one way or the other honestly. I...

Commissioner Murray: I think for my my opinion uh for harmony and unity and moving forward, I will support it and if you want to take over the Fire Department, you can take the Fire...I'm sorry.

(laughter)

Commissioner Murray: I will move, I will move to the Police Department if you would rather do that, Sarah and then you can choose either department you want, I mean it makes no difference to me.

Commissioner Frietch: You know, I mean, Gena and I work great together and I do like help volunteering with the Recreation Department. So, while I I don't think it's appropriate for this to be handled the way it was handled...

Chief Knauf: You brought it up. You brought it up.

Commissioner Frietch: ...I tried to handled, I tried to handle this in a very...

Chief Knauf: You made it toxic. You've made it toxic.

Commissioner Frietch: ...high level. Okay.

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Murray: I, everybody's good, Dan.

Mayor Bell: I, I,

Commissioner Frietch: I'm, I'm, if it has to be that way but I will tell you that I've always been respectful in every way to Chief Knauf and to our CAO, our prior CAO Jill Cain Bailey, so.

Commissioner Murray: Alright, Dan.

Mayor Bell: This has been quite an eventful evening, so let's get, let's move on. So do I have a motion to create a new ordinance to replace Commissioner Frietch as the Commission Police Liaison, replacing her with Mark Kreimborg, and then asking Commissioner Frietch to assume the Recreation Liaison? Is that, so did I say that right?

Commissioner Peace: That sounds about right.

Mayor Bell: Alright, do I have a motion for? I have a motion...I make a motion to do that, so I need a second. By Commissioner Murray. Alright, I have a motion and a second. Roll call vote please.

Ms. Forsyth: Mayor Bell

Mayor Bell: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Murray

Commissioner Murray: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Frietch

Commissioner Frietch: Yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Kreimborg

Commissioner Kreimborg: For the unity of the City, I vote yes.

Ms. Forsyth: Commissioner Peace

Commissioner Peace: Yes.

Mayor Bell: Alright, so Frank, will you prepare that...

Mr. Wichmann: Yes.

(clapping)

Mayor Bell: ordinance and we'll vote on that...

Commissioner Murray: (muffled) We don't need, we don't need no clapping please. This is, we're just trying to move forward. Thank you.

Chief Knauf: If I could wish you good luck Jill.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you.

(multiple speakers)

Chief Knauf: You've been a fantastic City Administrator. One of the most decorated....

Mayor Bell: Frank, Frank brings up, brings up a great point. Do we want to wait until the June meeting, or do we want to have a special meeting to address the ordinance that he's going to prepare?

Commissioner Murray: That that was a first reading.

Mayor Bell: That was the ... I know, but,

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Peace: No, no.

Mayor Bell: No, that was an ordinance to, that was an ordinance to prepare the ordinance.

Commissioner Murray: My bad.

Mr. Wichmann: That is correct.

Mayor Bell: So the, so the special meeting would be a vote to have a first reading, right, of the ordinance?

Mr. Wichmann: Yes...

Mayor Bell: Then we have to have a subsequent meeting...

Mr. Wichmann: No, it will be classified as an emergency ordinance and (muffled) can do it in one meeting as long as you have three quarters of the Commission in favor of it.

Mayor Bell: So uh, so I will uh...

Commissioner Peace: Throw out a date.

Mayor Bell: Throw out a date as soon as I get my phone. I turned my phone off because I didn't want it to go off, so. Jill do you have your phone on? Do you have a date calendar?

Ms. Bailey: So today is the ninth.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Let me check my phone.

(laughter)

Commissioner Peace: Wow, the museum of the antiquities.

(laughter)

Ms. Bailey: Your next Council Meeting is the thirteenth. I'd recommend that you do it quickly. Um yeah we can meet with anytime you want with twenty-four hours' notice to the media.

Mayor Bell: Okay, so uh...

Mr. Wichmann: And I'm going to be gone tomorrow, I'm going to be gone til Monday.

Mayor Bell: So give me a date in May, Jill, that everybody can agree to. Throw some dates out.

(multiple speakers)

Commissioner Peace: Monday or Tuesday?

Mr. Wichmann: Not Monday the 14th.

Ms. Bailey: Yes, Monday's the 14th.

Commissioner Murray: Is the 14th a good day?

Commissioner Peace: Works for me.

Commissioner Frietch: I, I won't be here. I'm not available on Monday evening. I have a prior

commitment.

Commissioner Murray: How about Tuesday?

Commissioner Kreimborg: I'm available on Tuesday.

Commissioner Peace: I'm good.

Commissioner Frietch: I'm available Tuesday evening.

Commissioner Murray: Tuesday, everybody?

Mayor Bell: Tuesday, the 15th.

Commissioner Frietch: Tuesday, the 15th.

Mayor Bell: In the afternoon? Is that alright? Evening?

Commissioner Murray: No, make it six o'clock.

Mayor Bell: Six o'clock on Tuesday the 15th, Jill. That'll be, you can prepare that one more time

on your way out the door.

Ms. Bailey: The 15th at six o'clock?

Commissioner Peace: Yup.

Mayor Bell: Six o'clock here in the chamber. That'll be an open meeting. Anyone can come.

Chief Knauf: Mayor, Mayor, Could I, Mayor? Mayor?

Ms. Bailey: Steve is talking.

Mayor Bell: Yes, Steve. I'm sorry.

Chief Knauf: I just wish good luck to Jill, one of the most decorated City Administrators in the state of Kentucky. Here for twenty-three years. I've been here for thirty. We've been a great team. I am successful because of you and the great people that have come on this Commission. Citizens of Taylor Mill, do your homework. Twenty-three years, thirty years. Do your homework. Thank you. You're going to be missed. Our loss is a huge gain in Fort Wright.

Commissioner Frietch: I'll second that. Residents, do your homework.

Mayor Bell: Okay, so we're down to the point where anybody else have a final...

Commissioner Murray: I would like to make a final statement. I've saved it for the end. I have been with Jill Bailey for probably as long as she's been here because I wasn't on the Commission, I was delivering mail here, and uh, I have never known a more smart, dedicated person in my whole life. She is above reproached, honest as the day is long. I will miss working with her so bad. I want to keep your phone number in my phone and every once in a while I'd like to call you just to talk over old times.

Ms. Bailey: Absolutely.

Commissioner Murray: I wish you well. I have relatives in Fort Wright and I hope Fort Wright realizes what they are getting at our expense. And I, Jill, nothing but the best. I wish you nothing but the best.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you, Dan. I appreciate it. It's been a pleasure to work for you.

(clapping)

Ms. Bailey: And I do want to, I do want to comment to the staff briefly because it has been truly a pleasure. I've hired, I think every single one of you with conjunction with the City Commission. You have been selected because you are the cream of the crop. You do a fantastic job. It has been a pleasure to work with you. I hope I have the opportunity to work with you again in the future. I want to thank um the Police Chief because he is correct, he has been here since day one and he has been a solid supporter of mine, a good friend, a person that has been a, somebody I've been able to bounce ideas off, concepts off, we work together well. Um there will not be um, I'm confident another staff member that I will uh I've worked with as well as you. And I appreciate all of your support over the years. Appreciate everyone else's support also and I'll have lots more to say before the 18th to each of you about your support and how much I appreciate you as well as your staff.

Mayor Bell: Uh, I'll make one final comment. I did a little bit with Jill before but I've never met anybody with more integrity and honestly than Jill Bailey. In the, I've been here since 2004, and I'm uh, this is my fourteenth year in being involved with the City of Taylor Mill and a lot of those of great pleasure because she was the administrator. I've also since I've been Mayor, I've been the liaison for the Administration. We've always had a great working relationship and we always tried to get and accomplish something good for the City. Sometimes we went the wrong way on some few things but we also tried. It wasn't because we had bad intentions, it was

because we always had great intentions to move the City forward, so, Jill, thank you so much for your help. And when I see Dave Hatter, I'll, I'll let him know.

Ms. Bailey: Thank you.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Smack him for us, will you.

(laughter)

Ms. Bailey: It's been a pleasure to work with you all.

Mayor Bell: Thank you. Anybody else? Okay.

Commissioner Murray: Make a motion.

Commissioner Kreimborg: Second.

Mayor Bell: A motion to...

Commissioner Kreimborg: Second.

Mayor Bell: Okay, a motion, second, voice, all in favor?

All: I

Mayor Bell: Opposed? Meeting's adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

The next Commission Meeting will be Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Daniel L. Hell

ATTEST: