

**City of Taylor Mill  
COMMISSION MEETING  
Wednesday, August 9, 2017**

**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, and City Attorney Frank Wichmann. The Mayor noted that a quorum was present for the meeting.

**INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Commissioner Peace led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bell.

**MINUTES:**

Commissioner Murray made a motion to accept the minutes from the Commission Meeting on July 12, 2017 as submitted. Commissioner Peace made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Commissioner Kreimborg made a motion to accept the minutes from the Special Commission Meeting on July 19, 2017 as submitted. Commissioner Frietch made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**GUESTS:**

Senator Chris McDaniel address the Commission regarding CERS and KERS Pension System issues. Senator McDaniel reviewed the pros and cons of separating CERS to be its own stand-alone plan. Senator McDaniel stated supporting the separation of CERS. Senator McDaniel reviewed options presented to the Senate includes pension reform, raise taxes, or make a twelve percent (12%) cut on everything, excluding essential services. Mayor Bell noted the Kentucky League of Cities supports Senator McDaniel.

Commissioner Frietch presented Lieutenant Ron Wilson with the Taylor Mill Police Department's fourth (4th) Certificate of Accreditation. Commissioner Frietch stated on July 26, 2017, the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police presented to the Taylor Mill Police Department it's fourth (4th), five (5) year Certificate of Accreditation. Commissioner Frietch stated the Accreditation status is for an uninterrupted twenty (20) year period, through 2022 and demonstrates a commitment to professional and excellence in policy and practice of highly regarded and broadly recognized body of professional standards, promulgated by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Professional Standards Committee. Commissioner Frietch stated the City has a great Police Department.

Mayor Bell presented Ms. Gena Forsyth with a Certified Kentucky Municipal Clerk plaque. Mayor Bell stated it is a three (3) year process. Mayor Bell noted courses Ms. Forsyth completed during the certification process. Ms. Bailey congratulated Ms. Forsyth and stated Ms. Forsyth began the certification process when first hired and completed one hundred and twenty-three hours (123) in the first three (3) years of employment.

#### **LEGISLATION:**

Commissioner Murray made a motion to adopt Resolution 316 (8-9-17) welcoming distinguished visitor Supreme Governor Kitchens' of the Loyal Order of Moose. Commissioner Kreimborg made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Commissioner Kreimborg made a motion to adopt Resolution 317 (8-9-17) supporting the separation of the County Employees Retirement System from the Kentucky Retirement Systems. Commissioner Peace made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Commissioner Frietch made a motion to adopt Resolution 318 (8-9-17) adopting the Northern Kentucky Regional Hazardous Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Murray made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Ms. Bailey gave a reading of Resolution 319 (8-9-17) supporting the removal of Reformulated Gasoline (RFG) from the State Implementation Place (SIP) for Boone, Campbell, and Kenton Counties. Commissioner Peace made a motion to adopt Resolution 319 (8-9-17) supporting the removal of Reformulated Gasoline (RFG) from the State Implementation Place (SIP) for Boone, Campbell, and Kenton Counties. Commissioner Kreimborg made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Ms. Bailey gave a reading of Resolution 320 (8-9-17) regarding the Brent Spence Bridge Corridor Project and reaffirming its opposition to the use of tolls as part of any funding mechanism for improvements to the Brent Spence Bridge Corridor. Commissioner Murray made a motion to adopt Resolution 320 (8-9-17) regarding the Brent Spence Bridge Corridor Project and reaffirming its opposition to the use of tolls as part of any funding mechanism for improvements to the Brent Spence Bridge Corridor. Commissioner Peace made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Mr. Wichmann gave a first reading of an Ordinance of the City of Taylor Mill in Kenton County, Kentucky, amending the text of Section 10.3 of the Taylor Mill Zoning Ordinance to add existing neighborhood restaurants as a permitted use within the R-1C Zone with restrictions on the area of operation, times of operation, and manner of operation.

Commissioner Peace suggested holding a Special Meeting next week to have a second reading of the Ordinance and a first reading of the other text amendments that went through the Planning Commission. Mayor Bell stated not having a problem with a Special Meeting. Commissioner Frietch stated not having a problem with the meeting due to discussing all the issues and readings for many month this year, and because the residents are aware with what is going on with it. Commissioner Murray stated next Wednesday would be a good day to do it. Commissioner Kreimborg stated not having a problem with a Special Meeting but does not understand the rush to move it up a couple of weeks. Commissioner Peace stated construction season is closing out and moving it up would give Knuk-N-Futz every opportunity to get something done. Ms. Bailey stated she will coordinate a meeting for next week. Commissioner Peace addressed Mr. Kevin Novasel regarding setback concerns from the Planning Commission and asked him to consider looking at bollards in the final design. Mr. Novasel stated he will look into it.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Mayor Bell stated making a request to Covington to annex thirty-six point five-four-seven (36.547) acres that are currently owned by the City of Taylor Mill, but physically in the City of Covington. Mayor Bell stated most of the required paperwork to move forward with getting the property in the City of Taylor Mill has completed by Mr. Wichmann.

Commissioner Murray made a motion to prepare the documentation to move forward with getting the thirty-six point five-four-seven (36.547) acres physically in the incorporated area of Taylor Mill. Commissioner Peace made a second. The Clerk called the role.

Commissioner Murray – Yes  
Commissioner Peace – Yes  
Mayor Bell – Yes  
Commissioner Frietch – Yes  
Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes

**MOTION CARRIED**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Kreimborg made a motion to approve the tent usage request from Kenton County Fiscal Court. Commissioner Murray made a second. The Clerk called the role.

Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes  
Commissioner Murray – Yes  
Mayor Bell – Yes  
Commissioner Frietch – Yes  
Commissioner Peace – Yes

**MOTION CARRIED**

**BUILDING AND ZONING:**

No Building and Zoning report.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**-CITY ADMINISTRATOR:** Ms. Bailey stated a written report has been provided and can answer any questions. Ms. Bailey reported the City of Taylor Mill is being considered for a Nano Grant through the Catalytic Fund and the Center for Great Neighborhoods. Ms. Bailey stated three (3) grants are available in the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) for creative ideas. Ms. Bailey stated the City can apply as well as residents. Ms. Bailey stated a seminar will be held to educate people on how to apply on Thursday, August 17th at 6:00 p.m.

**-ENGINEERING:** Mr. Brueggemann reviewed engineering projects in the City with estimated timelines for completion. Mr. Brueggemann reported street lights and traffic signals are going up on Pride Parkway. Mr. Brueggemann stated the FAA approval for lighting has been approved for phase two (2) and work is permitted. Ms. Bailey stated meeting with KLH and CT Consultants and they are working on a bid schedule, with a timeline of bidding in November. Mr. Brueggemann stated the contract may be awarded at the November or December meeting, with spring construction. Ms. Bailey reviewed lighting locations and project phases. Mr. Brueggemann stated SD1 is proceeding with work on Church Street which will continue through October. Mr. Brueggemann stated once SD1 is finished, Northern Kentucky Water District will complete their work, followed by the City resurfacing in spring. Mr. Brueggemann stated the pre-construction meeting for Rosewood and Bluelake was held yesterday and the contractor will start work the first or second week of September. Mr. Brueggemann stated easements are prepared and the firm acquiring easements is in the process of meeting with individual property owners.

**-FINANCE:** Ms. Wright reported the new budget and budget amendment is entered. Ms. Wright reported preparing for tax season.

**-FIRE:** Commissioner Murray reviewed July Fire Department statistics with a total billing of twenty eight thousand seven hundred and thirty-two dollars (\$28,732.00). Commissioner Murray reported fire prevention statistics including twelve (12) inspections and five (5) re-inspections. Chief Stager stated a total of one hundred and thirty-nine (139) hours of training completed in July. Chief Stager reported sprinkler and standpipe operations was completed and reviewed at Remke, Holland, and Scott High School. Chief Stager reviewed EMS statistics.

Commissioner Murray made a motion to accept the resignation of part-time Firefighter/Medic Jay Feldkamp and part-time Firefighter/Medic Jason Ellis. Commissioner Peace made a second. The Clerk called the role.

Commissioner Murray – Yes  
Commissioner Peace – Yes  
Mayor Bell – Yes  
Commissioner Frietch – Yes  
Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes

**MOTION CARRIED**

Chief Stager reviewed fire code regarding no grills on our under balconies. Chief Stager reported the new squad is thirty (30) days ahead of schedule and will go out for SBCA brackets, graphics, and radio installation. Chief Stager stated the squad should be on display at the September Commission Meeting.

**-LEGAL:** No Legal report.

**-MAINTENANCE:** Commissioner Peace reported concrete is being poured at Pride Park and looks fantastic. Commissioner Peace stated they are moving forward with getting the new surface and playground equipment in. Mr. Roden stated more concrete is being poured tomorrow and will move forward with the project. Mayor Bell stated Mayor Meyer asked if the Taylor Mill Maintenance Department would mow to Hands Pike. Mr. Roden asked about a trade for two (2) street sweeps in exchange for mowing to Hands Pike. Ms. Bailey would like more information on where Covington would like Taylor Mill to cut and Taylor Mill can also identify what streets they'd like swept. Mayor Bell stated he will get more information from Mayor Meyer.

**-PARKS AND RECREATION:** Commissioner Kreimborg stated the City is celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year. Ms. Forsyth reviewed an event proposal for the 60th Anniversary Celebration that includes a full day of music and food trucks. Ms. Forsyth stated working with a national recording artist to secure a date and proposed to have the event in the Districts of Taylor Mill, on Holland Drive or Pride Parkway. Ms. Forsyth asked for direction on how to proceed. Ms. Bailey stated there are no available dates at the park with the dates the artist proposed due to house and shelter rentals. Ms. Bailey stated there are approximately four hundred (400) parking spaces built in at the Districts. Commissioner Peace asked if the City offered to move renter's events outside the City to free the dates. Ms. Bailey stated no, but did offer a venue rent free at another time. Ms. Bailey stated dates are set aside annually but the artist cannot perform on those dates. Commissioner Frietch stated wanting to remain consistent and feels strongly that City functions are held at the park. Commissioner Frietch stated not having residents state wanting functions outside of Pride Park. Commissioner Frietch stated residents asked her when the City would have functions at Pride Park. Commissioner Frietch stated not seeing it as safe in the Districts area for numerous children to be in that vicinity and there is not a lot for the children to do up there. Ms. Bailey stated a discussion needs to be had with what is the focus of the recreation committee. Commissioner Peace stated understanding the event is for adults, but children will still attend. Chief Knauf stated there are pros and cons of each venue. Commissioner Peace stated the headline act is important and he will support it in the Districts if nothing else works. Mayor Bell suggested two (2) events each year in the future, one in the Districts and one at Pride Park.

Ms. Forsyth asked the Commission for approval in bringing the GoldStars Tribute Wall to Pride Park May 4-7, 2018. Ms. Forsyth stated the cost is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00). Ms. Forsyth stated the memorial honors soldiers from the Gulf, Iraq, and Afghanistan Wars. Ms. Bailey stated the project was approved and money was allocated during the budget process.

Commissioner Murray made a motion to accept the dates of May 4-7, 2018 for the GoldStars Tribute Wall. Commissioner Peace made a second. The Clerk called the role.

Commissioner Murray – Yes  
Commissioner Peace – Yes  
Mayor Bell – Yes  
Commissioner Frietch – Yes  
Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes

## **MOTION CARRIED**

Ms. Forsyth stated a Family Camp Out at Pride Park is October 7, 2017 and is ten dollars (\$10.00) per family. Ms. Forsyth stated the City-Wide Yard Sale is Friday, September 1st and Saturday, September 2nd and two-dollar (\$2.00) permits are available at the City Building.

**-POLICE:** Commissioner Frietch reviewed Police Department reports and calls for the month of July. Commissioner Frietch encouraged residents to utilize vacation checks through the Police Department. Chief Knauf stated completing the hiring process for Administrative Assistant due to Sandy Meyer retiring with almost twenty (20) years of service. Chief Knauf stated the new Administrative Assistant has almost seventeen (17) years of prior experience as a Police Clerk/Police Administration. Chief Knauf asked for Commission approval to get Kristy Webb started next Monday.

Commissioner Kreimborg made a motion to hire Kristy Webb as the Police Department Administrative Assistant. Commissioner Murray made a second. The Clerk called the role.

Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes  
Commissioner Murray – Yes  
Mayor Bell – Yes  
Commissioner Frietch – No  
Commissioner Peace – No

## **MOTION CARRIED**

Commissioner Frietch stated trying to stay consistent. Commissioner Frietch stated on February 15th, there was pay increases for retired officers and a lot of discussion surrounding that. Commissioner Frietch stated making a statement that did not make the minutes that we can't keep moving forward with increases because the budget is not going to be able to handle it. Commissioner Frietch stated we have to get revenue in the City. Commissioner Frietch stated this is a lovely young lady that is taking the position. Commissioner Frietch stated being a part of the interview process. Commissioner Frietch stated she was offered an amount according to the budget and counter-offered. Commissioner Frietch stated being very consistent that she cannot agree to the hire with the budgeted amount increasing by ten percent (10%) and that effects payroll taxes, what is paid into pension, and that moves forward as pay increases occur in the next few years. Commissioner Frietch stated previously asking for an Executive Session because of feeling it was necessary for the Commission to get together and discuss specifics for different applicants and that did not occur.

Commissioner Peace stated his vote is no. Commissioner Peace stated it should have been handled in Executive Session. Commissioner Peace stated he felt the decision was made in a panic.

**SPECIAL ANNOUCEMENTS:**

Ms. Bailey stated Mr. John Lucas resigned from the Board of Adjustments due to other commitments. Commissioner Kreimborg stated Mr. Lucas has done a phenomenal job for the City. Commissioner Murray stated he would like to bring Mr. Lucas in to be recognized.

Commissioner Murray made a motion to get Mr. John Lucas a plaque and have a resolution for him. Commissioner Kreimborg made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Commissioner Murray made a motion to accept the resignation of John Lucas from the Board of Adjustments. Commissioner Peace made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Ms. Bailey stated she will distribute the word out to the public for the vacancy and will pass on all letters of interest to the Commission.

Commissioner Frietch stated a lovely lady will be starting in the Police Department and to stop by to welcome her to the staff.

Commissioner Kreimborg stated Officer Tim Bailey and Police Clerk Sandy Meyer is leaving at the end of the month and thanked them for all their years of service. Commissioner Kreimborg stated they did a great job and wished them the best of luck in retirement.

Commissioner Frietch encouraged residents to wave to first responders and the Maintenance Department when they see them out. Commissioner Frietch stated to use caution when maintenance is mowing and to use caution when passing them.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

No Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Commissioner Kreimborg made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Murray made a second. All Commissioners present were in favor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

The next Commission Meeting will be Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Daniel L. Bell

Mayor Daniel L. Bell

ATTEST: Yena [Signature] DATE: 9/26/17