

**MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF FORT THOMAS,
CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ON
MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2016**

Mayor Eric Haas called the meeting of council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 20, 2016 in the Council Chambers of the city building. City Clerk, Melissa Kelly called the roll and the following council members were present: John Muller, Ken Bowman, Lisa Kelly, Jeff Bezold, Roger Peterman and Chuck Thompson. Staff members in attendance included: City Administrative Officer Ron Dill, City Clerk Melissa Kelly, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Joe Ewald, Fire Chief Mark Bailey, Police Chief Mike Daly, and City Attorney Jann Seidenfaden.

Mayor Eric Haas led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Minutes

The minutes from the June 6, 2016 meeting were presented to council for consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Mr. Bezold to approve the minutes as written. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted “aye”: Mr. Muller, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, Mr. Peterman and Mr. Thompson. Voting “no” none. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Reports of Officers

Fire Department Monthly Report: Chief Mark Bailey: Chief Bailey presented his report to council. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Mr. Thompson to receive and file the fire department’s monthly report. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted “aye”: Mr. Muller, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, Mr. Peterman, and Mr. Thompson. Voting “no”: none. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Police Department Monthly Report: Chief Daly: Chief Daly presented his report to council. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Ms. Kelly to receive and file the police department’s monthly report. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted “aye”: Mr. Muller, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, Mr. Peterman, and Mr. Thompson. Voting “no”: none. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

City Administrator’s Report: Ron Dill: Ron Dill reported on the following:

2016 Street Program: Staff had a preconstruction meeting with the contractor on June 9th and reviewed the schedule and secured the contract documents. City crews are currently installing curbs on Barrett Drive.

Storm Power Outages and Damage: A tree fell on River Road at Shawnee and took out the back stop at Storrs Field. There were approximately 1700 residents without power. The city has a good working relationship with Duke Energy and kept in contact with them to get the power back on. Police and Fire responded to calls, the city appreciates their efforts with this storm.

New Business

Consideration of contract extension with Bloomfield/Schon - The city engaged in a preferred developer agreement with Bloomfield/Schon on June 22, 2015 for a period of twelve (12) months for the purpose of determining feasibility for the renovation of the residential structures owned by the VA situated off Alexander Circle in Tower Park. Although a final determination of details sufficient to provide for transfer of the property from the VA to the city/developer have not been attained to date, Bloomfield/Schon is still very interested in pursuing this project. The city has continued to work with Bloomfield/Schon on developing costs and feasibility analysis over the last year. They have engaged fully in this process and have assisted in providing information necessary for submittal to the VA to resolve issues related to consummating a transfer from the VA. City staff remains satisfied that Bloomfield/Schon should act as the preferred developer moving forward on this project.

Pursuant to the terms of this original agreement, per section 7, staff is recommending that the mayor be authorized to extend this agreement for a period of 180 additional days. This extension will allow for continued study and negotiation among the City, the VA and this developer to determine feasibility and to work toward transfer and redevelopment of this project. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Mr. Peterman to authorize the mayor to enter into an extended agreement with Bloomfield/Schon for a period of 180 days. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted "aye": Mr. Muller, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, Mr. Peterman and Mr. Thompson. Voting "no" none. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Alcoholic Beverage Application Notice: City Clerk, Melissa Kelly read the following notice for the record:

Application has been received from Grote Ventures, Inc. dba Fort Thomas Convenient Mart, 42 North Fort Thomas Avenue, Fort Thomas, KY 41075, for a NQ Retail Malt Beverage Package License. The owner of the property is Fort Thomas Enterprises, Inc., 11 N. Fort Thomas Avenue, Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

Application has also been received from Christ Church, United Church of Christ, 15 South Fort Thomas Avenue, Fort Thomas, Kentucky 41075, for a NQ-4 Retail Malt Beverage Drink License. The owner of the property is Christ Church, United Church of Christ.

The applications are on file in the office of the City Purchasing Agent and will be finally considered at a Public Hearing which will be conducted on Monday, July 18, 2016 at 4:35 p.m., in the Fort Thomas City Building Council Chambers.

Finance Committee Report on Disbursements: The Finance Committee presented its Report of Disbursements and recommended the payment of warrants numbered 302141 through 302239 for the period of **June 7 - 20, 2016**. A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Kelly to concur in the recommendation of the finance committee of council. Upon call of the

roll, the following members voted “aye” – Mr. Muller, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, Mr. Peterman, and Mr. Thompson. Voting “no” none. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Finance Committee Budget Recommendation: Mr. Muller presented the Finance Committee’s Budget recommendation. It reads as follows:

We the undersigned members of the Finance Committee of Council hereby report that we have met with the city administration on May 24, 2016. The following issues were on the agenda: First, the committee reviewed and discussed the proposed Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget document, including all City funds. The Finance Committee is of the opinion that the proposed budget, as submitted, will enable the City to deliver public services and programs consistent with current service levels and accomplish the broader City policies as established by the Board of Council. It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Board of Council approve the proposed budget and move forward with its adoption in accordance with the law.

Second, the committee was provided with the proposed amendments to the Fiscal Year 2016-2016 budget. These amendments include moderate increases, totaling \$138,679 in revenue. These increases include amendments to omitted tangible taxes, building and zoning permits and workers compensation reimbursements. The amendments also include decreased expenditures, which total \$70,215.00. These decreases are attributable to savings in the Police, Recreation and General Services Departments. The KDOT Fund was also amended to show a similar increase in revenues (due to Road Aid funds) and decrease in expenditures (due to actual bids coming in below estimates). The CBD and Waste Fee Funds show similar amendments, with expenditures in the Waste Fee Fund being amended upward to cover higher-than-anticipated Rumpke costs. It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Board of Council approve the proposed budget amendments.

Ordinances, Resolutions, and Orders

Ordinance O-07-2016: An ordinance amending the FY 2015/2016 budget was presented to council for consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Mr. Peterman to approve ordinance O-07-2016. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted “aye”: Mr. Muller, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, Mr. Peterman, and Mr. Thompson. Voting “no”: none. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Ordinance O-08-2016: An ordinance adopting the 2016/2017 budget was presented to council for consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Mr. Bezold to approve ordinance O-08-2016. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted “aye”: Mr. Muller, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, Mr. Peterman, and Mr. Thompson. Voting “no”: none. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Ordinance O-08-2016: An ordinance establishing the pay rates for city employees was presented to council for consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Peterman and seconded by Mr. Bezold to approve ordinance O-08-2016. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted

“aye”: Mr. Muller, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, Mr. Peterman, and Mr. Thompson. Voting “no”: none. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Municipal Order MO-07-2016: A municipal order re-appointing Jann Seidenfaden as the City Attorney was presented to council. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Mr. Peterman to approve municipal order MO-07-2016. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted “aye”: Mr. Muller, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, Mr. Peterman, and Mr. Thompson. Voting “no”: none. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Executive Order EO-07-2016: An executive order appointing Andrew Scharstein as Parks and Greenspace Laborer 1 was presented to council with no action necessary.

Executive Session: Staff is requesting that council enter into executive session for the following purpose:

1. In accordance with KRS 61.810 (c) for discussion of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the city regarding Kentucky Retirement Systems, and
2. In accordance with KRS 61.810 (f) for discussion regarding a personnel issue.

A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Mr. Muller to dismiss and enter into executive session.

A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Mr. Peterman to re-convene.

With no further action to come before council, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:

Eric Haas, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa K. Kelly, City Clerk