

**MINUTES OF A MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF FORT THOMAS,  
CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ON  
MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016**

Mayor Eric Haas called the meeting of council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 6, 2016 in the Council Chambers of the city building. General Services Assistant Julie Rice, 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, General Services Assistant, Finance Director Joe Ewald, Fire Chief Mark Bailey, Police Chief Mike Daly, and City Attorney Jann Seidenfaden. Absent: City Clerk Melissa Kelly

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

**Minutes**

The minutes from the May 16, 2016 meeting were presented to council for consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Ms. Kelly 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.

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

**Zoning Violation Procedures:** Staff is preparing a report of all available enforcement tools for nuisance and property maintenance code violations. This report will provide a comparison of current codes utilized by the city with other options afforded cities under state statute. Members of staff are scheduled to attend training sessions taking place in June that detail legislative changes from this session and provide discussion on this topic in general. It is anticipated that staff will have a written report for council at the July meeting.

**Water Main Replacement:** The NKWD is scheduled to begin work on the water main replacement on Gaddis Drive beginning on July 5<sup>th</sup>. Staff attended a preconstruction meeting last week. Lonkard Construction is the general contractor performing this work. The work is expected to be complete by the end of August.

**Hazardous Material Incident:** On Friday, one of Rumpke’s trucks had an incident where hydraulic fluid was spilled onto the road at S. Ft. Thomas Ave and U.S. 27. Chief Bailey has billed Rumpke for the incident per the County Office of Emergency Management’s ordinance that allows entities to bill for hazardous material incidents.

## **New Business**

**Mayor's Annual "State of the City/Budget Message":** Mayor Haas presented his annual budget message to council. There is a public hearing scheduled before the June 20, 2016 council meeting at 6:45 p.m.

**Consideration of Bids for the 2016 Street Resurfacing Program:** Bids for the 2016 street resurfacing program were opened and read aloud on Wednesday May 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM. The city received competitive bids from four asphalt paving contractors. City engineer, Frank Twehues, has reviewed the bids and recommends awarding the contract to the low bidder, Len Reigler Blacktop, in the amount of \$173,125.10 with alternate bid #1 at \$9,150.00. Alternate Bid #1 consists of milling of the curbs on Barrett Drive and one side of Gaddis. This has been excluded of the bid in the past but this year the city met with Reigler and they indicated that they have a new machine that has better capability and they feel confident that they can do the curb. It saves the city in the long run for them to perform the curb work. Alternate #2 was declined. The city has contracted with Len Riegler Blacktop in the past and they performed last year's program. Accordingly, it is recommended that the total bid of \$182,275.10 be awarded to Len Reigler Blacktop. This is below the engineer's estimate of \$242,372.50. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Mr. Bezold to approve the bid from Len Reigler Blacktop at \$173,125.10 with Alternate Bid #1 at \$9,150.00, with a total bid of \$182,275.10. 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.

**Finance Committee Report on Disbursements:** The Finance Committee presented its Report of Disbursements and recommended the payment of warrants numbered 302087 through 302140 for the period of **May 16 – June 6, 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.

## **Ordinances, Resolutions, and Orders**

**Ordinance O-07-2016:** An ordinance amending the FY 2015/2016 budget was presented to council for a first reading. This ordinance will be laid over to the next regular meeting of council for consideration.

**Ordinance O-08-2016:** An ordinance adopting the 2016/2017 budget was presented to council for a first reading. This ordinance will be laid over to the next regular meeting of council for consideration.

**Ordinance O-08-2016:** An ordinance establishing the pay rates for city employees was presented to council for a first reading. This ordinance will be laid over to the next regular meeting of council for consideration.

**Municipal Order MO-05-2016:** A municipal order re-appointing Meg Casper to the Tree Commission was presented to council. A motion was made by Mr. Muller and seconded by Mr. Bezold to approve municipal order MO-05-2016. 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 unanimous vote.

**Municipal Order MO-06-2016:** A municipal order appointing Steve Kowolonek to the Board of Adjustment was presented to council. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Ms. Kelly to approve municipal order MO-06-2016. 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 unanimous vote.

**Resolution R-02-2016:** A resolution authorizing and directing the City of Fort Thomas to participate in the Kentucky Employees’ 401(k) Deferred Compensation Plan was presented to council for consideration. Mr. Muller and Mr. Bowman ask for clarification on this matter. Joe Ewald indicated that the city offers administrative employees a 3% deferred comp. match and due to IRS regulations changing, the city had to change the way this benefit was paid to employees. The transfers of funds to employee plans will occur after July 1, 2016. A motion was made by Mr. Muller and seconded by Mr. Bowman to approve resolution R-02-2016. 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 unanimous vote.

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

APPROVED:

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Eric Haas, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Melissa K. Kelly, City Clerk