

**MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF FORT THOMAS,
CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ON
MONDAY, JULY 31, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Eric Haas called the special meeting of council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 31, 2017 in the Council Chambers of the city building. City Clerk, Melissa Kelly called the roll and the following council members were present: David Cameron, Ken Bowman, Lisa Kelly, Jeff Bezold, and John Slawter. Absent: Roger Peterman. Staff members in attendance included: City Administrative Officer Ron Dill, City Clerk Melissa Kelly, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Joe Ewald, and City Attorney Jann Seidenfaden.

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

New Business

Consideration of Memorandum of Agreement for Issuance of IRB for VA Homes Project:

A copy of the MOA between the City of Fort Thomas and Bloomfield/Schon Investments LLC for issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRB) for financing the VA Homes Project was presented to council. The MOA will allow for the developer to proceed with financing bonds not to exceed \$9,000,000 for the costs associated with the project. The terms are as discussed previously with no financial obligation by the city.

Mr. Jim Parsons was present and indicated that once the Resolution to issue bonds is approved, they can move forward with the required approval from the state, which generally takes approximately two months.

Resolution R-03-2017: A Resolution authorizing Mayor Haas to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between the “City” and Bloomfield /Schon, Investments LLC, “developer” for issuance of IRB for the VA Homes Project. A motion was made by Mr. Bezold and seconded by Mr. Slawter to approve Resolution R-03-2017. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted “aye”: Mr. Cameron, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, and Mr. Slawter. Voting “no”: none. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Consideration of Contract for Maintenance of City Building: City staff solicited bids from multiple companies offering daily/weekly cleaning/maintenance of the city building. The city has addressed this issue in multiple ways over the last twenty years with full-time staff, contracted staff and most recently with two part-time staff members fulfilling this work item. Both part-time staff recently left employment with the city and so we solicited quotes from outside cleaning services. Staff is recommending we accept the low bid from Jani King at \$940/mo. (\$11,280 annually). A motion was made by Mr. Bezold and seconded by Mr. Bowman to approve a one year contract with Jani King for cleaning of the city building. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted “aye”: Mr. Cameron, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, and Mr. Slawter. Voting “no”: none. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Ordinance No. O-08-2017: Second Reading of an Ordinance adopting a 4% adjustment in pay for members of AFSCME (public works), FOP (police) and all non-union employees (recreation, administration, finance, department heads, greenspace and part-time employees). All increases in this ordinance are 4% with the exception of greenspace Labor I & II positions that are adjusted 8% and 8.3% respectively. These additional increases were recommended to address employee retention in these positions. The Finance Committee of Council reviewed all proposed rate of pay adjustments as a component of their budget review and recommended approval. A motion was made by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Ms. Kelly to approve Ordinance O-08-2017. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted “aye”: Mr. Cameron, Mr. Bowman, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Bezold, and Mr. Slawter. Voting “no”: none. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

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

APPROVED:

Eric Haas, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa K. Beckett, City Clerk