

**City of Taylor Mill
Commission Meeting
September 11, 2013
7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER:

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Bell and Commissioner Murray.

Moment of Silence in Honor and Recognition of Patriot Day

MINUTES: Minutes from the August 21, 2013 Special Commission Meeting.

GUESTS: Mark Kreimborg - Gordon Johnson Volunteer Award Recipient.

LEGISLATION: 1st Reading of an ordinance adopting tax rates for 2013/2014.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

BUILDING & ZONING:

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: City Administrator. Legal Counsel.
Administration. Maintenance.
Engineering. Parks & Recreation.
Finance. Police.
Fire.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Bell. Commissioner Murray gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bell. The City Clerk called the roll.

Mayor Bell	Here
Commissioner Kreimborg	Here
Commissioner Kuehne	Here
Commissioner Murray	Here
Commissioner Reis	Here

The Mayor noted that a quorum was present for the meeting.

Mayor Bell wanted to acknowledge that it is Patriot Day and the 12th Anniversary of the terrorist 9/11 attacks and behalf of all the commissioners and staff we want to honor the military that protect us, 1st responders and the police that keep us safe. We want to always remember the heroic 1st responders who responded to the terrorist attacks. United we stand divided we fall always remember we live in the greatest country in the world. Mayor Bell asked for a moment of silence to pay tribute to all those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.

Commissioner Reis made a motion to accept the minutes from the Special Commission Meeting on August 21, 2013 Commission Meeting as submitted. Commissioner Murray made a second. All Commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

Legislation

City Attorney FrankWichmann gave a first reading of Ordinance 294 (10-9-2013) regarding the ad valorem tax rate for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014 at compensating rate +2% at .3870/\$100 on real property and compensating rate +2% at .7370/\$100 on personal property. The ordinance specifies that the taxes are due by November 1, 2013 and delinquent after December 31, 2013 and thereafter, there shall be added thereto a penalty of 15% thereof, plus interest thereon at the rate of 15% per annum from January 1, 2014 until paid, plus the cost of collection, including, without limitation, court costs and attorney's fees. The taxes levied and collected pursuant to the terms hereof shall be deposited in the General Fund of the City of Taylor Mill and appropriated and used for the general operating expenses of the City of Taylor Mill, for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2013 and thereafter.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

The commission discussed the request from the Fire Department to hire part time staff this deviated from the budget conversations where they had discussed cutting the part time staff and hiring more full time staff. Consequent discussions between Commissioner Murray, Chief Halpin, Jill Bailey, EMS Coordinator Ray Dabbelt and Rick Mueller have resulted in the request of part time fire fighters and setting them to a permanent schedule and have a significant savings to the budget for healthcare costs. There will be times there will still be only two scheduled but other times we will have three scheduled. It is worth pursuing this year and revisiting next year. Fire Department would like to ask for two additional part time fire fighters.

Commissioner Ed Kuehne recognized Mayor Dan Bell for being the recipient of 1st Runner-Up for the Kentucky League of Cities 2013 Elected City Official of the Year Award out of 100's of cities across the Commonwealth. Mayor Bell thanked everyone for the honor and stated that the award would not be possible without a great commission to work with and he wanted to share this award with all of you, City Administrator Jill Bailey and the previous commission's he has worked with since 2004. The award will be presented to Mayor Bell on October 4, 2013 at the Kentucky League of Cities Expo in Covington, KY.

Mayor Bell announced the Holland Development Groundbreaking will be taking place on September 17th at the site on KY 16 at Walnut Street at 10:00 am. This is the kick-off development of The Districts of Taylor Mill. Senator Damon Thayer will be in attendance and Judge Executive Steve Arlinghaus. The development has grown from a two story building to a four story building and the corporate office for the Holland Group will be moving to the building and creating new jobs in the city.

Reports

Building and Zoning

No report

City Administrator

The webpage is being finalized the design and build out are complete and the data is coming in – police and fire have all been created and finalizing the maintenance data. On October 9th prior to the commission meeting pictures will be taken.

September 27th is Scott's Homecoming parade. Chief Knauf is facilitating this event for the city with Scott High School. More details to come for the event. They are looking at using the traditional route for the parade starting at Mill Valley depending on the construction occurring at that time.

We have been working diligently on Parkfest. Lieutenant Wilson has been working on Parkfest this year along with Michelle Frisch. The project will be transitioned to Michelle slowly over the course of the next year.

KY 16 1st phase of the project is complete. We are in the process of punch listing the project. Commission discussed the various items yet to be completed from that list.

Reminder Groundbreaking is next week. The building plan is being submitted. They have filed a permit for a retaining wall on the construction site. They do not have permits to move forward but everyone is working diligently to turn around the paperwork to issue the permits.

We are continuing to work on healthcare reform. Jill Bailey and Frank Wichmann attended a training on the new healthcare reform and the new healthcare exchanges will be available starting October 1, 2013. We have our current plan until January 1st and will determine what plan will be in the best interest of the city.

Jill attended an ABC conference regarding Senate Bill 13. All of our ABC licenses have been issued; Jill has forwarded the information to Frank to get our ordinances in compliance by December.

Reminder KLC conference will be held October 1st – 4th in Covington. The chamber dinner is tomorrow evening.

Still have a vacancy in the administration department with the departure of Mike Robke. The position was advertised as a book keeper and/or treasurer position. We have received applications and have narrowed it down to 14 applicants and have been conducting background checks. Our auditor has recommended that we take at least a 30 day break to run a full cycle of billing as a precaution. We have contracted with a company Bramel and Ackley to do some accounting, balancing accounts, entering line items and checking Jill's work. The contract runs through June 30th and can be cancelled at any time. Jill is considering hiring an accounting firm long term to reconcile our accounts for transparency in our book keeping.

Finance

No finance report this month. We will have a full report at the next meeting.

Fire Department

Commissioner Murray announced the next Fire House Dance is Friday, September 20, 2013 6:30 pm – 10:00 pm. \$5 per student. Firehouse will have the smoke house at Parkfest for educational purposes. Breakdown of fire runs for August: 28 fire runs, 1 mutual run and 48 ALS/BLS runs billing \$23,439 for one month.

Maintenance

Commissioner Kuehne stated that the concrete is being replaced at Blackstone as well as at the entrance of McDonald's and Old Taylor Mill Road. The maintenance department is busy getting ready for Parkfest. Marc Roden is requesting the removal of the fence by South Mason to help reduce the time of cutting the grass. A discussion followed regarding discussing the removal of the fence with the neighbors in the area.

Finally the maintenance department is getting the salt equipment ready in case of an early snow.

Recreation

Commissioner Kreimborg discussed the upcoming recreation activities Parkfest is from 2pm – 11pm. It is this weekend and Ritchie and the Students and Fourth Day Echo will be performing. There will be a raffle booth, carnival rides, hamster water balls, euro bungee, giant slide, pony rides, petting zoo, food and drink vendors. Festival shuttles run from Scott High School to the park. Please come out and enjoy the fun! The fireworks will start at 9:00 pm.

The city wide yard sale is September 20th and 21st and the Family Campout is Saturday, September 28th.

Police Department

Commissioner Reis stated that Daniel Potts will start the Police Academy this month. We are waiting on delivery of two (2) new cruisers and the Kenton County Sheriff will be sending 4 Deputy Sheriffs to Parkfest to help with security for the event.

Guest

Mayor Bell presented the Gordon L. Johnson Distinguished Public Service Award for 2013 to Mark Kreimborg. He has served the city in many capacities over the years. He has served as an elected official for the city for 25 years and he was Mayor for 21 of those years. During his tenure the city has accomplished many things such as the acquisition and development of Pride Park, establishment of Park Place Community Center, moving our Fire Department from EMS to ALS, helped with KY 16 reconstruction and there are so many awards and committees he has served on they are too numerous to mention.

Mark Kreimborg thanked the commission for the award and expressed how much it meant to him to receive the award. We established this award when Gordon was here. He thanked his family for allowing him to donate his time to the city especially his wife Debbie, his children and grandkids. He wanted to thank the commission for picking Bill Vogelpohl last year and it was the right thing to do and wished he was here to celebrate with me today. Thank you to the commission it is a true honor to be selected.

Next Commission meeting will be Wednesday, October 9, 2013.

There being no further business, Commissioner Kuehne made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Kreimborg made a second. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Daniel L. Bell
Mayor Daniel L. Bell

ATTEST: Michelle P. Bell

DATE: 10-09-2013