

**City of Taylor Mill
Special Commission Meeting
January 15th, 2014
7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER:

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

MINUTES: Minutes from the December 4th, 2013 Commission Meeting.

COTM FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014 MID YEAR REVIEW – Mayor Bell.

GUESTS: Bob Schulenberg – 5343 Millstone Court.
Sharif Abdrabbo – 3226 McCowan Drive.
Sarah Frietch – 737 Lakewood Drive.
David Quandt – 6198 Maple Ridge Drive.
Michael Scott Smith – 6185 Maple Ridge Drive.
Martin Butler – Attorney representing Phil & Laurie Peace.
Phil and Laurie Peace – 608 Brandtly Ridge Drive, Covington.
Tim Kling and John Johnston – United Dairy Farmers.
Gary Holland – Holland Rosen Development Group.

LEGISLATION:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: Wolf Road Repair Request (City of Covington)

BUILDING & ZONING: DTM Zoning Text Amendments (NKAPC Recommendations).

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**City Of Taylor Mill
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
January 15, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Bell. Commissioner Kuehne 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 gave the City of Taylor Mill fiscal year 2013/2014 mid-year review. City of Taylor Mill had a successful year. The KY 16 Pride Parkway north intersection project is complete and a milestone for the city. The entire project cost from Kleete Road to I-75 \$77 million dollars with approximately \$35 to \$40 million of that was constructed in Taylor Mill. Section two of the project is the construction of the bridge across Holds Creek has begun. They have made significant progress and should be complete by 2015.

In 2007 the Districts of Taylor Mill was created with the help of consultants to set up a new development and it has been tweaked over the last several years. We had the first ground breaking on the first development in Taylor Mill. The Holland Group will be building a 30,000 sq. ft. building housing Skyline and LaRosa's restaurants as well as office space and house their corporate headquarters. We have a great location on I-275 close to downtown Cincinnati and to the Northern Kentucky International Airport. The Holland Group has approximately 750 employees and own 16 restaurants currently with 9 more in acquisition. They own the franchise for First Watch. They have made a ten million dollar investment in the city of Taylor Mill.

We expect to make the announcement of an additional business opening in the near future in the Districts of Taylor Mill. We are trying to create a unique development that is found nowhere else in Kentucky.

It is the hope that these new developments will help hold down property taxes and help the city provide the services that people expect. Other cities may not be able to maintain the level of services. The level of services may not be sustainable. Things are not getting cheaper and we need to prepare the city to be self-sustaining with the Districts of Taylor Mill. The Mayor discussed the services provided by the city. The different taxes involved in sustaining those services.

The Mayor discussed the process in which the Districts of Taylor Mill was developed with a professional planner and open meetings with residents. He discussed the plan going forward for the city of Taylor Mill and how the plans came about through the meetings and residents input at those meetings and professional planners.

The Mayor discussed the new Pride Parkway intersections being very dark and stated that we cannot install lighting on that roadway until it is released by the State. The project is still being punch listed and when completed we will then be allowed to enter the site area.

The Police Department is CALEA accredited and the police department provides School Resource Officers to Woodland Middle School and Scott High School for a safe environment for learning.

The Mayor discussed the grants that the city has received over the course of the year. The Police Department has received grants for mobile data computers, shot guns, and traffic services. The Humvee used by the city was donated by the Federal Government and no city resources were used in acquiring this vehicle and is used whenever there is need for an off road vehicle. The Mayor would like to commend Chief Knauf and his department for their grant work.

The Mayor announced that Chief Halpin of the Fire Department is retiring on October 15, 2014 after 35 years of service. The city would like to express their appreciation for his years of service.

The Fire Department has received grants for I-Pads to help with fire inspections, mapping of businesses. They have received a grant for training of Fire Department employees and volunteers. We have added ALS system to our ambulance service in addition to our BLS system and this involved training staff and better equipment.

The Maintenance Department has done a great job cleaning the streets when we receive snow and ice and that is accomplished by Marc Roden and his staff. They received a grant to help with litter pick up.

The Recreation Department the volunteers have done an extraordinary job with the various events that are hosted, i.e., the Easter egg hunt, Parkfest, Santa's Visit, Friday Night Flicks. Vicky Griffin has donated the funds to continue the Friday Night Flicks program which we would like to thank her for her continued support of community events.

Commissioner Kreimborg works with the Recreation Department, Commissioner Reis works with the Police Department, Commissioner Murray works with the Fire Department, Commissioner Kuehne works with the Maintenance Department and Mayor Bell works with the Administration Department. Each Commissioner works with the chief of each department.

The Mayor works with Jill Bailey in the Administrative Department. The Mayor serves on the board of OKI and we have received a grant from OKI for the construction of sidewalks on Taylor Mill Road. The engineering and right of way acquisition still need to be completed for this grant and the construction of the sidewalks should begin in 2014-2015. This will connect the new development to the park.

We are currently working on a new website. It has been cost prohibitive to launch this in the past and the city has been working in several smaller steps to accomplish this. There are two final steps before the launching of the website. The Mayor instituted his newsletter in 2010, he sends one out each month and if you want to sign up for it there is a link on our website. When the new website is launched we will be posting the meeting minutes on it. The Mayor would like to have a link from TBNK to watch the meetings as well.

Park Place has new designs for an amphitheater and new garden area. We have received 48,000 sq. ft. yards of dirt from Lawrence construction to re-grade the amphitheater area so that is more user friendly with tiered seating. Chris Manning, Human Nature has helped the city with the new design. The plans will start in 2014 but may not be complete until 2016.

We are looking to the future in 2014 and the announcement of new developments but cannot announce the possible two story buildings pending. A new development pending off of Robertson Road by Brookstone Builders and Conrad Builders. We anticipate growth in single family homes.

Ribbon cutting for the opening of KY 16 in 2014.

We have an unfunded federal mandate to replace street signs. There are approximately 180 signs that will need to be replaced. We are installing street signs on Mill Valley and Taylor Creek.

The KY Legislature is currently in session. The last session of legislature we were able to get \$22 million dollars for the bridge to be completed in 2014 instead of 2016. The next project we are going to attempt to get funding for is an upgrade of Grand Avenue. The Mayor my motto is "Let's go try".

The Mayor discussed the various positions that he holds and what he does for the city. He is chairman of the Kenton County Dispatch Board, on the executive committee of the OKI regional government, on the Board of Directors for Kentucky League of Cities, a member of the Mayor's group, on the Finance committee of NKAPC and the Kenton County Committee for Collaboration.

Mayor thanked the Commissioners, Jill Bailey and Frank Wichmann for all of their help without their help he could not do any of this without them. They are a good team. Commissioners and Mayor are pleased with the direction the city is going in for 2014 especially with cities being asked to do more with less, want to build our base by

bringing in businesses. The cost to provide services is rising on a daily basis and we are doing our best to keep providing those services to the city.

Guests

Bob Schulenberg of 5343 Millstone Court, Taylor Mill, KY asked to be removed from the agenda.

Sharif Abdrabbo of 3226 McCowan Drive, Taylor Mill, KY spoke to the commission regarding the zoning text amendment proposal to eliminate gas stations in the DTM2 zone. Mr. Abdrabbo was not in favor of the zoning text amendment and his desire would be to have a choice in the community. He would like to have more information from the elected officials, a thorough explanation and felt it was not communicated to the citizens.

Sarah Frietch of 737 Lakewood Drive, Taylor Mill, KY spoke to the commission about her serious concerns over the zoning text amendment changes and concerns on how this issue was communicated to the citizens of Taylor Mill. She stated that residents were not notified of the changes. She went through her neighborhood with a petition and had sixteen (16) signatures from nine (9) homes (copy entered into record). She has serious safety concerns of residents crossing five lanes of traffic. She is asking the commission to hold extra meetings regarding the issue and put the meeting minutes on the website.

David Quandt of 6198 Maple Ridge Drive, Taylor Mill spoke to the commission regarding his concerns about removing gas stations as a use from the DTM2 zone. He is concerned about a six story building and/or warehouse being built in DTM4. He would like the commission to reconsider the proposal and doesn't see why we can't have a choice regarding gas stations allow UDF to come in. He would like the commission to consider having extra meetings for citizens to voice their concerns.

Michael Scott Smith of 6185 Maple Ridge Drive, Taylor Mill, KY spoke to the commission regarding his concern over the zoning text amendment changes. He is concerned over the two story requirement. H would like choice and competition in the DTM2 zone.

Marty Butler Attorney representing Phil and Laurie Peace of 1400 Rivercenter Blvd., Suite 100 Covington, KY spoke to commission regarding his clients objection to the zoning text amendment to the DTM2 zone which they own seven acres in that zone. The three proposals 1) reduce parking – no objection to this 2) removal of gas stations as a permitted use in the DTM2 zone – object to this 3) minimal building height of two story in the DTM2 zone – object to this. Ask the commission to accept and adopt the NKAPC recommendations. The resident's desire choice and eliminating this choice will be detrimental to the community. DTM2 is not a walkable pedestrian friendly area. He would like the commissioners to accept and adopt the NKAPC recommendations.

Phil Peace of 608 Brandtly Ridge, Covington, KY spoke to the commission objecting to the city's proposed zoning text amendment in regards to the DTM2 zone. He is currently

in talks with UDF regarding the site. The zoning in 2007 approved the purpose of the business he is currently trying to attract to the site and it will bring a high quality and family friendly business to downtown Taylor Mill. He would like to encourage the city to adopt the NKAPC recommendations for the zoning text amendment.

Laurie Peace of 608 Brandtly Ridge, Covington, KY spoke to the commission objecting to the city's proposed zoning text amendment in regards to the DTM2 zone. They have worked on this for six years. They are currently drawing up plans with UDF. Competition will not hurt the city of Taylor Mill.

Tim Kling of UDF Director of Business Development 3955 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH spoke to the commission in his interest in bringing a new store to the Taylor Mill market. He is concerned about the zoning text amendment. He is willing to work with the city to bring a UDF to Taylor Mill.

Jill Bailey read a letter from Gary Holland of the Holland Rosen Group who was unable to attend the meeting. He has invested over 10 million dollars into his development in the DTM area. He came to Taylor Mill due to the scope and intent of the plan of the Districts of Taylor Mill and its vision. He would like the commissioners to not compromise this vision to develop the community.

Steve Ernie of 726 Sage Hill Drive, Taylor Mill, KY spoke to the commission regarding the nature of how this was handled. The Mayor asked Mr. Ernie to not make any assertions that he could not prove and that it would be discussed when the commissioners had their opportunity to respond to the questions.

Terry Foster of 760 Crocus Lane, Taylor Mill, KY spoke to the commission regarding the zoning text amendment and appreciates how this was handled this evening and to reconsider their proposal. He does not believe there was any malicious intent in the handling of the proposal. There is opposition to this proposal from the community and to reconsider it.

Terry VonHandorf of 1023 Robertson Road, Taylor Mill, KY spoke to the commission regarding the zoning text amendment. She stated she was in the minority but that she wanted to thank the commission for their bold vision for the city. This vision would set us apart from other communities. She has nothing against UDF but does not want the city to be a gas station stop. Asked the commission to stay the course and true to the bigger picture.

Ruby Eisler of 6140 Taylor Mill Road, Independence, KY spoke to the commission in regards to the zoning text amendment. She opposes the zoning text amendment and would like a choice for the residents and believes the city really needs a choice.

Mayor Bell and the Commissioner's answered the questions brought by the guests to the commission meeting. We have not seen a plan yet for the United Dairy Farmers and there has been no submission to NKAPC of any plans for this site. We can only go forward

with the information that we have. Commission is concerned regarding the ingress/egress issues to the site would have on Pride Parkway and receiving a curb cut from the State of Kentucky Transportation. Information the commission received from Mike Bezold, KYDOT, that the curb cut would not be issued for the site due to the distance required for the curb cut from other intersections. KYDOT is trying to do away with curb cuts and staggered intersections. This is a detriment for your plan not that we were against the plan. Also, the site is only 1.8 acres instead of the 2.5 acres needed. UDF's business model is currently 6 to 8 pumps but the current zoning is for only four (4) pumps and a text amendment would be needed to increase for additional pumps. Phil Peace stated that he currently has seven acres at the location when including all the acreage on both sides of the street.

Martin Butler, attorney for Phil and Laurie Peace, wanted to state for the record that it appears that assumptions were made without all the facts regarding this site and the effects of this zone change on this property site. The Mayor disagreed with this assumption and asked Frank Wichmann the city attorney what the distance for curb cuts is currently for ingress and egress. Mr. Wichmann stated that his recollection was 600ft but he would have to check on that information.

A discussion was held regarding assumptions made and the way information was communicated to Phil and Laurie Peace. It was conveyed this was not a personal decision against the Peace's. Jill Bailey stated that Phil Peace was notified of the zoning change by Ms. Bailey before it went to the NKAPC. There was a discussion of how developers who contact the city are forwarded onto landowners in the area. Ms. Bailey stated that when developers contact her she gets them in contact with the landowners in the area but her role is not to pre-screen them but get them in contact with the land owners in the area and information to the commissioners.

Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of a two story façade instead of requiring a two story building.

Discussion regarding the parking restrictions ensued. Most people are in support of the reduction in parking requirements. If businesses share parking spaces it can reduce the number of parking spaces required. There is a plan for the Holland Group to reconstruct Walnut and would have on street parking. The more surface parking means higher sanitation sewer bills. There will be no parking meters in Taylor Mill.

Discussion ensued regarding the meeting minutes being available on the website. The current website is woefully inadequate. It is very expensive. It has been done in increments over the past two years. We are very close to having it finished. Jill Bailey stated that we have been trying to keep residents informed through the Mayor's newsletter, our Facebook page and direct e-mail. The administration department is currently understaffed. There were four people in the department. We have one position open in the department as well as one position that will not be filled. Currently, it is just Ms. Bailey and Ms. Frisch and between day to day operations, economic development commitments and these types of public situations we currently do not have the staff.

When you make an open records request we fill those requests as soon as possible and do our best to keep everyone informed and understand there is room for improvement but currently it is a staffing issue. We are very close to the launch of the new website.

It was the city's intention to have the zoning issue be heard by NKAPC at the February meeting. NKAPC is the one who chose to schedule the hearing for January the date was not up to the city. That was the first step in a multi-step process. The first step is to go to the NKAPC for a recommendation and their input, the next is to discuss it at a public meeting then have the city attorney draft an ordinance and then it still needs to be read at two separate commission meetings and voted on. We are looking at least three meetings and it is not uncommon for no one to be notified except abutting property owners regarding a zoning change. Ms. Bailey stated that she did not have to notify Phil Peace regarding the change but she did so out of good faith to let him know about the change on behalf of the commission who supported that decision to notify him. It was never our intention to not inform the public. There are reporters who attend every meeting and we are trying to use Twitter. It was discussed at the December meeting after we came back from executive session. The meeting is opened up to the public after executive session that issue was discussed. The meeting minutes have been passed at this meeting and can now be requested by open records request.

Property tax increases were discussed by the commissioners on how they are calculated in order to ensure we have enough funding for our police, fire and other services provided by the city. The expenses of the city were discussed and how they are funded. A resident questioned the surplus the city has that was reported at a previous meeting attended by the auditor. Jill Bailey answered this question. The city has an ordinance that requires that the city to keep 15% of the previous audit year expenses in case of a crisis, i.e., natural disaster or a loss of revenue from the close of a business. A discussion ensued regarding past incidents that have required the city to use those funds. Jill Bailey stated there are some things you just cannot predict.

Jill Bailey explained the process in which the city uses the compensating rate to determine the property tax rate that is mandated by the State of Kentucky. By law we can take the compensating rate. It is all based on lump sum property tax values. Everyone's expenses go up and keep going up each year.

On the new road (Pride Parkway) there will not be lights on this road unless the city puts them in. We have had several calls regarding street lights on Pride Parkway at various intersections. Unfortunately the city cannot put lights in until the project is released by the State of Kentucky. The project is still being punch listed and once that is complete and the State releases the project then the process can go forward to install lights on the road.

There was further discussion regarding the compensating rate of property taxes, required referendums and the compensating rate plus 1, 2, 3 and 4%. The loss of property through acquisition for state projects and how this loss is spread across everyone's tax rate to make up for that loss. There was a discussion of other surrounding city's property tax

rates. The Mayor noted other city's relying on taxes from business's they have in their community and why we are trying to develop additional business tax revenues.

Concern regarding DTM4 wording allowing warehouses and other types businesses in the area. The intent of that area was discussed and that was not the intention of the zoning of that property and buffers of 30 ft. planned for the zone.

Commissioner Kreimborg stated that there was no ill will intended when we came up with this decision. She was thinking of Crestview Hills Town Center. She did not realize it was so important to have a second gas station to the residents. She proposes to hold off on a vote. She wants people to love our city and can see this is very important. Taylor Mill is the most livable city. She was sorry but that is was not intentional.

Commissioner Murray stated he wanted a gas station all along and he has been one of the lone voices and that competition drives the economy.

Commissioner Reis stated that he has lived here for 22 years and it is conveniently located and he loves it here. It does not bother him that we do not have another gas station because we are so conveniently located to other areas that was not an issue for him but now he realizes it is a big issue for the community. The vision was to keep it unique and not make it a Dixie Highway or KY 18 or KY 42. We wanted to keep our vision and developers coming into the area. What if we look and see what might be better for the city and development opportunities. He appreciates everyone who came to the meeting and spoke and gave their opinion.

Commissioner Kuehne thanked everyone who showed up tonight to express their opinion. We are listening to you. In our discussions we have not all agreed about this and have had lengthy discussions. We have had other developers and builders that we have met with and discussions are on-going of businesses possibly coming here. Mr. Peace I am saying to you everything that has gone on in all that I have heard we have received nothing from you. If you would like to submit something in writing that this is my plan, this is my objective please do it. Everything so far has been verbalized on Facebook. Let's get a plan on record please. Mr. Peace stated that a plan is in the works.

Commissioner Kuehne discussed the speed limit on Pride Parkway to keep it at 35 mph instead of increasing to 45 mph past the districts area and a blinking yellow light to help turn off of Pride Parkway. Also, the city does not receive money from any tickets that are issued it all goes to the State of Kentucky. To summarize thank you for coming I have listened to you. I agree with a lot of you.

Jill Bailey responded to comments that were made regarding non-conforming uses. We would like those businesses to come into compliance with the zoning code. I have no relationship with Mr. Deters except that he is a business owner. My latest conversation was in regards to improvements to his site and meet the design guidelines. They have a plan coming to refurbish their station and they cannot expand. He has been a great business owner to our community as well as Jim Cohen with Community Management

with The Farm but the buildings need improvements as well as McDonalds and Taco Bell and KFC. We have been in discussions with the Everest Group regarding a two story structure. We are cognizant that there needs to be improvements to the area.

Ms. Bailey stated that she is happy to meet with anyone who wants to discuss this, please call or make an appointment and that she tries to return all calls that are made to her. If you come into the office and there are business cards for each commissioner.

Ms. Bailey discussed the two story issue and what happens when a business goes out of business and the problem of having a building that is now their brand.

Marty Butler in all his years of practice this group has always been an honorable group of people who have treated people well and I believe you had the best intentions when you made this decision but I encourage you to think deeper a lot of factors to consider to consider a one story at the lower level or two story façade. There may have been a pre-judgment on a gas station in this location but why no gas stations in this zone DTM2?

Mayor Bell commented before the Holland Group came along we were approached by a developer who wanted to build a gas station. We could have as many gas stations as you want. There are 5 gas stations within 1.5 miles of Remke. There is a UDF in Ft. Wright, a UDF in Wilder and a rumor of a UDF at Hans Pike on KY17. We do not want every corner of our DTM's zone to have gas stations. There was a discussion regarding the two story façade, ingress/egress, 4 pumps vs. 8 pumps and the type of atmosphere they are trying to create. We will do our best to honor your requests and our plans.

The February meeting will be on February 19, 2014 at 7:00pm we invite everyone to attend.

Building and Zoning

A copy of the report from the NKAPC with their recommendations was reviewed as well as Ms. Bailey's recommendations after reviewing the report.

The first recommendation is to support an ordinance modifying the parking recommendations in all DTM zones and reducing the number of parking spaces required in the development as supported by the NKAPC.

Commissioner Murray made a motion to draft an ordinance modifying and reducing the parking spaces required in all DTM zones. Commissioner Reis made a second. Commissioner Murray – Yes, Commissioner Reis – Yes, Mayor Bell – Yes, Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes, Commissioner Kuehne – Yes. All Commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

The next recommendation is to support an ordinance removing gas stations and their standards as a use in DTM3 zone as recommended by the NKAPC.

Commissioner Murray made a motion to draft an ordinance removing gas stations and their standards as a use in the DTM3 zone. Commissioner Kuehne made a second. Commissioner Murray – Yes, Commissioner Kuehne – Yes, Mayor Bell – Yes, Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes, Commissioner Reis – Yes. All Commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

The next recommendation is to do nothing in regards to the DTM2 zone thus you would allow gas stations and their standard uses as a permitted use in DTM2.

Commissioner Kuehne made a motion to do nothing in the DTM2 zone thus allowing gas stations and their standard uses as a permitted use. Commissioner Reis made a second. Commissioner Kuehne – Yes, Commissioner Reis – Yes, Mayor Bell – Yes, Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes, Commissioner Murray – Yes. All Commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

The next recommendation is to support an ordinance clarifying a minimum building height of two stories in the DTM3 zone.

Commissioner Reis made a motion to clarify a minimum building height of two stories in the DTM3 zone. Commissioner Murray made a second. Commissioner Reis – Yes, Commissioner Murray – Yes, Mayor Bell – Yes, Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes, Commissioner Kuehne – Yes. All Commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

The last recommendation is to support an ordinance to clarifying a minimum building height of two stories in the DTM2 zone. Mayor Bell would like to change it to include a two story façade. Ms. Bailey recommended looking into two story facades across all of the zones. The issue was tabled for further review.

Commissioner Murray made a motion to table the issue regarding a minimum building height in the DTM2 zone and a two story façade for further review. Commissioner Kuehne made a second. Commissioner Murray – Yes, Commissioner Kuehne – Yes, Mayor Bell – Yes, Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes, Commissioner Reis – Yes. All Commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

The commission meeting recessed for five minutes at 10:20 pm.

Commission meeting came back from recess at 10:25 pm.

Commissioner Kuehne made a motion to accept the minutes from the Commission Meeting December 4, 2013 as submitted. Commissioner Murray made a second. All Commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

Repair of a temporary slip on Wolf Road was discussed and the request from the City of Covington for help. They have issued a request for short term and long term help for repairs to Wolf Road. The commission agreed that more information from the City of Covington was needed. Ms. Bailey stated that staff needed to review this further before the commission took any action and report at the next meeting.

The commissioners discussed other roads within the city that need to be looked at for repairs such as Wolf, Wayman Branch, Reidlin, Mason, and Holds Branch. Maintaining these roads takes away money from maintaining our subdivision streets. Mayor Bell would like the State to take over the maintenance of Wayman Branch since it is a connector road and the use of it by school buses.

The commissioners discussed the need for a new traffic light at Wayman Branch and Pride Parkway, at Scott High School and a four way stop at Taylor Creek, possibly Mill Valley and Lakeview. Also looking into a speed limit reduction on Pride Parkway. Chief Knauf will draft a letter supporting these traffic signals and speed limit reduction.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Reports

City Administrator

Conflict with the February 12th meeting with the KLC event in Frankfort. We can skip this event and have a normal commission meeting. This is a great opportunity to lobby the State Legislature.

Mayor Bell reported on a Call to Action by KLC regarding legislation that may be unfriendly to city governments and they are asking local officials to contact your legislatures.

The next commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

Ms. Bailey announced the retirement of Fire Chief Dennis Halpin on October 15, 2014. Ms. Bailey thanked the chief for all that he does and that he is a good advocate for the city and residents, good department head, ally and a good friend. Ms. Bailey stated that she will truly miss him not every day but most days. They will miss his budget requests every year but they still have one more budget to go.

Commissioner Murray made a motion to accept Chief Halpin's retirement notification effective October 15, 2014. Commissioner Kuehne made a second. Commissioner Murray – Yes, Commissioner Kuehne – Yes, Mayor Bell – Yes, Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes, Commissioner Reis – Yes. All commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Bailey has been bombarded with Fire Chief Inquiries and the hiring process. We will advertise in March and hopefully be in place by July 1st to train with Chief Halpin.

Fire Department

Commissioner Murray announced that the Fire house dance had 84 boys and girls attend. The next dance is January 17th from 7pm – 10pm and is \$5 per person. The Fire Department had 31 fire runs and 36 EMS runs for December.

Chief Halpin would like to bid out the medical director position. ADPI the Fire Department billing department has recommended that we raise our bills from \$500 to \$650 for BLS and for ALS1 from \$750 to \$800 and ALS2 from \$850 to \$875. The Fire Department does a soft bill not a hard bill. Mileage has gone from \$11/mile to \$14/mile, and help defray the cost of the medications. Mayor Bell pointed out that some of the tax payer dollars go to pay for people who cannot pay for our ambulance service.

Commissioner Reis made a motion for Frank Wichmann to draft an ordinance to raise the Fire Departments billing rates. Commissioner Murray made a second. All commissioners were in agreement.

MOTION CARRIED

Finance

General Revenue Fund is as of December 31, 2013 \$2,985,518.24. General Expenditures for Administration Department spent \$179,069.68, City Administration \$258,447.81, Police Department \$700,891.68, Fire Department \$623,619.29, Maintenance Department \$184,458.74 for a total of \$1,946,487.20. Municipal Road Aid Fund Revenue for a total of \$108,490.52 and Municipal Road Aid Expense of \$76,982.02. Capital Improvement Revenue \$175,000 and Capital Improvement Expense \$164,431.95. Community Events Revenue \$38,696.41 and Community Events Expense at \$64,729.22. Senior Services Revenue \$3,625.83 and Senior Services Expense at \$4,746.18. Recreation Revenue \$18,003.05 and Recreation Expense at \$110,911.17.

Legal

None

Maintenance

Commissioner Kuehne stated that the Maintenance Department is doing a great job taking care of the streets. He asked residents to please notify the city of any potholes that need patching. We need to replace our salt truck. A new truck would cost \$125,000. Marc has looked at a used truck to replace it from the State of Kentucky. It is a 2001 GMC with 86,000 miles for \$14,000. It needs some minor repairs and has very little rust but we cannot be without a salt truck. A budget adjustment will need to be done by Ms. Bailey.

Commissioner Kuehne made a motion to approve the purchase of the salt truck from the State of Kentucky for \$14,000. Commissioner Murray made a second. Commissioner Kuehne – Yes, Commissioner Murray – Yes, Mayor Bell – Yes, Commissioner Kreimborg – Yes, Commissioner Reis – Yes. All commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

Marc Roden reported that they have installed additional signs on Old Taylor Mill Road.

Recreation

Commissioner Kreimborg wanted to thank anyone who participated in the Annual Food Drive. We provided meals for approximately 60 families. On February 8th 11-3 there will be a free day at Silverlake for residents of Taylor Mill. You must set up an appointment with Camille a membership advisor to take advantage of this offer. Any question please call Camille at 342-2601.

Police Department

Commissioner Reis stated that the Police Department has sent a letter to the KYDOT in regards to requesting a yellow arrow at the intersection of existing KY 16 and Pride Parkway for convenience and safety. We have not received a response yet.

Engineering

Installation of street lighting on KY16 and Pride Parkway was discussed. Our engineer CDS has met with Duke Energy regarding installation of poles and conduit. Duke Energy has provided an agreement to the city regarding installation of the poles and maintenance of. The city will review this agreement. Traffic signals and poles KYTC has acknowledged that the decorative tops are not correct on Old Taylor Mill. Illuminated street signs are not illuminated yet and they were not connected by the KYDOT

contractor and they will have their contractor connect them and be added to the punch list. The Mayor noted that traffic sign plans have been received from KYTC.

Permit submitted to the Army Corp of Engineers has been approved this week for Lawrence Construction to go forward and start moving dirt into the amphitheater area at Pride Park. Lawrence Construction has been notified they can begin moving dirt when the weather clears.

Complete construction plans for the sidewalk grant are being finalized. Once the design is complete we will need to move forward with the right of way negotiations. Discussion ensued regarding the process of right of way acquisition and construction plans. The \$300,000 grant will not come available until 2015 and cannot be used on design of the sidewalks.

The commissioners thanked everyone for coming and staying so late for the meeting.

Commissioner Kuehne made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Murray made a second. All commissioners were in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

Commission meeting ended at 11:10 pm

Next Commission meeting will be Wednesday, February 19, 2014.

Daniel L. Bell
Mayor Daniel L. Bell

ATTEST: Michelle Kuehne

DATE: February 19, 2014