**ORDINANCE 2013-21**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT MITCHELL, KENTUCKY, AND LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX OF $.145 ON EACH ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100.00) OF ASSESSED VALUATION OF PROPERTY IN THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 AND SPECIFYING THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE TAX IS LEVIED.**

**WHEREAS,** the City Council has determined, on the recommendation of the Mayor, not to raise taxes in the current economic environment, and has wisely managed and appropriated city taxes entrusted to the city in such a way as to control costs so as to not require such an increase,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF FORT MITCHELL, KENTUCKY:**

 SECTION I

An ad valorem tax is hereby assessed and levied for the fiscal year 2013-2014 against all real property within the corporate limits of the City of Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, at the rate of $.145 on each One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) of valuation as assessed January 1, 2013, to be collected as provided by law and the existing ordinances of the City of Fort Mitchell, Kentucky.

 SECTION II

Said ad valorem tax is levied for the following purposes: to pay the salaries of all administrative officers, police officers, fire fighters, paramedics, public works, recreation, and other employees; to pay the cost of telephone, light, heat, power and other utilities; to pay insurance and bonds and acquisition of equipment and supplies for City purposes; to pay the cost of cleaning streets, sidewalks, gutters and repairing and/or replacing same; to pay the cost for professional services; to pay for expenses incident to the operation of the public works department of the City; and to pay the general cost of carrying on the business of government of the City including the cost of materials and equipment incidental thereto.

 SECTION III

The City of Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, shall have a lien upon all property upon which ad valorem taxes are hereby levied for payment of said taxes, and for all penalties, interest, fees, commissions, charges and other expenses including court costs and attorneys' fees incurred by reason of any delinquency in payment of such taxes, or in the process of collecting them and such lien has priority over all other obligations or liabilities for which the property is liable.

 SECTION IV

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, if any, hereby repealed.

 SECTION V

The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and the invalidity of any provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other provisions hereof, and such other provisions shall remain in full force and effect as long as they remain valid in the absence of that provision determined to be invalid.

 SECTION VI

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication according to law.

CITY OF FORT MITCHELL, KENTUCKY

BY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Christopher D. Wiest, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Martha Allen, City Clerk

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