

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 11, 2014
CITY HALL
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
6:00 PM**

Mayor Barnes called the meeting order 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT: Commissioner Baird, Blythe, King, Newby and Mayor Barnes
ALSO PRESENT: Jimmy Howard; City Manager, Garrett Fowles; City Attorney,
Lisa Cassity; City Clerk**

Pledge of Allegiance

Minute Approval:

- 1) Special Called City Commission Meeting held on January 28, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.
- 2) Regular City Commission Meeting held on January 28, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.
- 3) Special Called City Commission Meeting held on January 29, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Ordinance 14-02: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending Chapter 117 of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Code of Ordinances Relating to the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages in the City and to the Fees Assessed for the Issuance of Alcoholic Beverages Licenses.

Second Reading & Vote

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Ordinance 14-03: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Expressing the Intention of the City to Annex Certain Property into the City of Richmond- Whitehall Elementary School Property.

Second Reading & Vote

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Commissioner King | | x |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Ordinance 14-04: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending the City's Zoning Code Relating to an Additional use Within a B-4 Zoning District.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

Commissioner Blythe questioned if the Conditional Use will automatically be granted. Garrett Fowles responded that the requester will need to appear before the Board of Adjustments and factors will be considered before granted such as economic factors.

Commissioner Blythe requested to see the minutes from the Planning & Zoning Meeting where this recommendation was approved. City Clerk responded that it is placed in their meeting packet after the Ordinance.

Mayor Barnes commented that depending on cities economic factors at the time and rental space demand will determine if the Conditional Use is granted by the Board of Adjustments. Other factor to consider is the building space sitting empty verses getting something in there. Mayor Barnes also explained that this Ordinance is a good start and a workable project for the future of the city.

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Ordinance 14-05: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Accepting the Dedication of a Street as a City Street and Public Way for all Purposes (RE-located Segment of Barnes Mill Road)

First Reading

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

Commissioner Blythe questioned how the old portion of Barnes Mill Road will be treated since this new adoption. Garrett Fowles responded that the old portion will still be intact and remain a portion of Barnes Mill Road with just more private access.

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Order 14-18: An Order of the City of Richmond Reappointing Members to the Park Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Order 14-19: An Order of the City of Richmond Employing Seasonal Golf Maintenance Workers.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Baird

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Order 14-20: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Seasonal Workers for Gibson Bay Golf Course.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner King

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|----------------|------------|-----------|
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Commissioner Baird x
Commissioner Blythe x
Commissioner King x
Commissioner Newby x
Mayor Barnes x

Order 14-21: An Order of the City of Richmond Adjusting an Employee Status within the Public Works Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Blythe x
Commissioner King x
Commissioner Newby x
Commissioner Baird x
Mayor Barnes x

Order 14-22: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation by an Employee in the Parks Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

Mayor Barnes questioned if this position was going to be replaced. Mr. Howard responded that Joe Bentley is advertising for Seasonal Workers positions soon.

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner King x
Commissioner Newby x
Commissioner Baird x
Commissioner Blythe x
Mayor Barnes x

Order 14-23: An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Re-Appointing Members to the Richmond Industrial Development Corporation.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Newby x
Commissioner Baird x
Commissioner Blythe x
Commissioner King x
Mayor Barnes x

AMEND AGENDA TO INCLUDE ORDER 14-24 and RESOLUTION 14-02

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Baird

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Order 14-24: An Order of the City of Richmond Changing the Status by a Member on the Richmond Industrial Development Corporation Board of Directors.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner King

Commissioner Blythe questioned why this change was being made. Mr. Howard explained that he is also an ex-officio and that provides more opportunity for citizens to be voting board members and just have Ms. Goodwin serve as an employee bringing recommendations to the board.

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Resolution 14-02: Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Join a Declaratory Judgment Lawsuit Against the Kentucky Department of Insurance to Recover City Funds Loaned to the Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust in 2010 from Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) Insurance Services Association Workers' Compensation Fund.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Baird

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

Public Comments

1. John Leeds- Leeds Jewelry Store owner

- Mr. Leeds requested that the city remove snow pile ups along the streets to sidewalks. Mr. Leeds explained that near his business along Main Street that he has witness elderly citizens having trouble reaching the sidewalks due to snow pile ups. Mayor Barnes explained to Mr. Leeds that sidewalk maintenance of snow removal or repairs are up to the property owners. However, that the city would look into removing the snow pile ups along main street parking and sidewalks.

- Mr. Leeds also expressed some concerns regarding Jerzees Club next to his business for littering beer bottles outside along the sidewalks. Mayor Barnes recommended that the city contact the property owner or send a letter requesting it to be cleaned up.

- Mr. Leeds also requested that the city place railings at the steps located by Don Mills Insurance along Main Street. Commissioner Blythe recommended that Mr. Leeds contact our Downtown Coordinator Rose Rex with these concerns about the downtown area. Commissioner Blythe explained that is why the city hires Ms. Rex to help coordinate those concerns and assist downtown businesses. Mr. Howard explained to Mr. Leeds that he would provide his cellphone number to address any of those concerns more quickly.

Departmental Report's

None

City Manager's Report

Mr. Howard discussed the following item:

1. Audit Report- will not be presenting until the March 11th meeting.
2. Recycling Bailer- new bailer has been installed and operating. Announced the city will be going out for bids on the 2 surplus bailers.
3. Hall of Justice repairs needed to cooling tower. Mr. Howard explained that during the last freeze the pipes at the building busted and repairs are needed which will involve a large crane.
4. Auto lift for Maintenance Department- Bids were over 26,000 which is item that was budgeted but will be purchasing soon.
5. Salt- 300 tons inventory, 600 tons on order, will receive 100 tons this week and to date the city has ordered 1375 tons.
6. Potholes- city is currently working hard to repair the potholes and asked citizens to call and report them. Mr. Howard explained that the city is using a substance called coal patch which is temporary until the asphalt factories open in warmer weather.
7. Holiday 2-17-2014 in observance of Presidents Day which all city offices will be closed except for Police & Fire Department.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner King

No report

Commissioner Baird

No report

Commissioner Newby

No report

Commissioner Blythe

1. Explained has he been driving thru Estill County he saw the police cruisers that the city donated to good work.
2. Requested if a meeting had been set up between the city and Richmond Mall which was discussed at the Special Called Meeting on B4 zones. City Clerk responded yes, that the Mayor has a conference call set up on Thursday to speak with the owner who resides in Texas.

Mayor Barnes

1. Potholes- Mayor encouraged citizens to drive slow as there are many potholes throughout the city. Mayor Barnes requested that citizens call to report the potholes so they can be fixed. Mayor Barnes also commended the Street Department for doing such a great job on snow removal and now filling potholes.
2. Parking on Streets- Mayor announced that he held a meeting this week to discuss public safety and how citizens are parking vehicles on streets which create impassable for emergency responders. Mayor Barnes requested citizens to utilize their driveways verses parking on the streets for convenience. From the meeting the fire department plans to prepare a recommendation of streets that may need to be no parking.
3. Wished Commissioners Blythe’s mother a Happy 90th Birthday.

Adjournment: 6:51 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

| VOTING: | YES | NO |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Commissioner Newby | x | |
| Commissioner Baird | x | |
| Commissioner Blythe | x | |
| Commissioner King | x | |
| Mayor Barnes | x | |

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk