

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 26, 2015
CITY HALL
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
6:00 PM**

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

**PRESENT: Commissioner Baird, Blythe, Morgan, Newby and Mayor Barnes
ALSO PRESENT: Richard Thomas; Interim City Manager, Lisa Cassity; City Clerk, Garrett Fowles; City Attorney**

Pledge of Allegiance

Minute Approval:

- 1) Regular City Commission Meeting held on May 12, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Workshop Meeting held on May 19, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Morgan
Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Ordinance 15-08: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending Ordinances No. 94-50, 95-05 and 01-02 the Code of Ethics.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney
Motion: Commissioner Morgan
Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

Commissioner Morgan questioned does this ordinance hold the commission to the personnel policy.

Commissioner questioned who all needed to fill out financial disclosure forms.

Commissioner Blythe questioned what “unwanted” meant on page 4 section 5.

Mayor asked for a motion to amend the agenda to include Ordinance 15-09

Motion: Commissioner Baird
Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Newby	x	

Commissioner Baird	x
Commissioner Blythe	x
Commissioner Morgan	x
Mayor Barnes	x

Ordinance 15-09: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending the City’s Development Ordinance Regarding Gross Residential Density in a Planned Unit Development.

First Reading Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

Mayor questioned what PUD projects the city currently has.

Mayor stated that he thought the city was doing away with PUD zoning why this change is needed.

Commissioner Morgan questioned if anyone on Planning & Zoning Commission had concerns with this change.

Mayor added that only 40 more residential units can be added to a PUD by this change and is it worth it.

Paul Baker- Developer

Mr. Baker approached the commission upon his request for the PUD change and explained his development off US 52 would be able to attract more businesses with this change.

~~**Order 15-56:** An Order of the City of Richmond Appointing a Member to the Richmond Zoning Board of Adjustments.~~

Item was not placed on Tablet. Will be placed on agenda for next meeting.

Order 15-57: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Two Candidates for the Richmond Police Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Order 15-58: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring a Seasonal Worker for the Parks Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Order 15-59: An Order of the City of Richmond Awarding a Salt Bid and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign all Documents Relating to Said Agreement.

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

Mr. Thomas did notify the commission that the bid recommended for approval wasn't the lowest bidder. He explained that the Street Dept Director had trouble in the past with service such as deliveries and such with the lowest bidder, which is why he is recommending Cargill.

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Order 15-60: An Order of the City of Richmond Approving the Execution of a Municipal Aid CO-OP Program Contract Between the City of Richmond, KY and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal Aid for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2015 as Provided in the Kentucky Revised Statutes and Accepting All Streets Referred to Therein and Being Streets which are a Part of the City.

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Order 15-61: An Order of the City of Richmond Re-Appointing Members to the Richmond Golf Committee.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Order 15-62: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Seasonal Workers for Gibson Bay Golf Course.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Mr. Thomas added that these employees are only replacements, not additional staff.

Order 15-63: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Retirement by an Employee in the Fire Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Commission commented that this great employee will be missed and wished him all the best.

Order 15-64: An Order of the City of Richmond Re-Appointing Members to the Architectural Review Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	

Public Comments

1. Bill Mulhern- Richwood Neighborhood Association President

Mr. Mulhern questioned where the Commission was on dealing with the frat house in his neighborhood.

2. Ron Cole- Bowerwood Drive, Richwood Subdivision Resident

Mr. Cole explained in detail about the frat house in his neighborhood and stressed that he considered it to be safety concern.

3. Rodney Cain- Landlord of Property on Oak Street

Mr. Cain questioned the Commission on the proposed nuisance ordinance.

4. Rodney Davis- Citizen

Mr. Davis questioned the Commission on the proposed nuisance ordinance.

Departmental Reports

None

City Manager's Report

Mr. Thomas discussed the following items:

1. Swimming pool opened last weekend and was a success. So far this year 879 family pool passes have been sold.
2. June 6th Kids Free Fishing Tournament at Lake Reba and Special Olympics will be held in Richmond.
3. Camp Catalpa shelters are completed and already reserved.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Newby

No report

Commissioner Baird

1. Summarized all the events that she has recently attended; YMCA open house, Care program luncheon with the Chamber, State of the County address, Prevention of Elder Abuse Proclamation presented at the CEMP conference, gave tour to the 3rd graders from Model at City Hall, attended the Hummel Planetarium grand opening at ECU and the Housing authority Board meeting.

Commissioner Blythe

1. Commented that he would like to have another workshop meeting to review the nuisance ordinance changes.

Commissioner Morgan

1. Asked that the City reach out to the landowners to find a common ground when drafting the nuisance ordinance changes. Mr. Fowles agreed that he would do that and already has spoken with several of the landowners.

Mayor Barnes

1. Explained that there has been some great dialogue tonight on the nuisance ordinance but asked everyone how they would feel living next door to a frat house or that environment that the Richwood residents explained. He said he does want everyone's input when drafting the ordinance but also asks that it be enforceable if it's put on the books. He added that he hopes everyone can find a common ground but Richmond is losing established neighborhoods and hoped that more students would live in apartment complexes where it's managed on a daily basis.

2. Water Street update- brick pavers are being laid this week and will have Water/Madison Ave reopened soon.

Adjournment: 7:33 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk