

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 14, 2015  
CITY HALL  
COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
6:00 PM**

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**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, Garrett Fowles; City Attorney, Lisa Cassity; City Clerk**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Presentations:**

- 1) Kentucky Changers Program Update- Dr. Larry Baker, Marvin Hereford and David Mauck, Community Development (ATTACHED)

**Executive Session- KRS 61.810 (1) (f) Personnel**

(Conference Room)

**Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. for the purpose of the following:**

**KRS 61.810 (1) (f) Personnel**

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Out of Executive Session back into Regular Session at 6:30 p.m.**

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Minute Approval:**

1) Special Called Commission Meeting held on June 19, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-74:** An Order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond  
Approving Certified City of Ethics Proposal.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-75:** An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Retirement by an  
Employee in the Fire Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-76:** An Order of the City of Richmond Declaring Police Equipment Surplus  
and Providing for its Disposal.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-77:** An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation by an Employee in the Police Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-78:** An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Appointing New Members to the Richmond Human Rights Commission.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-79:** An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Accepting a Resignation and Appointing Members to the ECU Center for Arts Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-80:** An Order of the City of Richmond Appointing a Member to the Parks Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

Commissioner Newby questioned why a new member was being appointed when the Park Board unanimously voted to reappoint Mr. Riley.

Mayor Barnes responded that board members are to be appointed by the Mayor and Commissioners not an advisory board. He explained that he had nothing against Mr. Riley but felt the city boards often need new blood and new ideas. He further explained that Dave Wallace's background from being the retired YMCA Director would be a great asset to the Park Board. He encouraged the Commission to also recommend board members to serve because he has noticed that it's difficult to get citizens to commit to serving on these boards.

Mayor informed the Commission that he is also reviewing the Park Board Ordinance and considering changing the term limits for the board members from 5 to 4 years.

Commissioner Morgan requested that in the future when a board member is being appointed that a bio on the member be included in the Order for consideration.

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby		x
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-81:** An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Re-Appointing Members to the Richmond Utility Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-82:** An Order of the City of Richmond Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Office of the Governor, and Department for Local Government for the FEMA Project Amendment #10F-005, City of Richmond Water Street Drainage Project.

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-83:** An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Entering into an Agreement with Mikron Industries, Inc.

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

Mr. Thomas informed the Commission of this agreement and felt that this would provide the city more income.

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-84:** An Order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Hiring a City Attorney.

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-85:** An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Seasonal Workers for the Public Works Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-86:** An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring a Full Time Employee in the Vehicle Maintenance Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
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Commissioner Newby	x
Commissioner Baird	x
Commissioner Blythe	x
Commissioner Morgan	x
Mayor Barnes	x

**Order 15-87:** An Order of the City of Richmond Adopting a Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (CTRS) Job Description for the City.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Baird

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-88:** An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Hiring Six (6) Firefighters for the Richmond Fire Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-89:** An Order of the City of Richmond Promoting a Captain in the Fire Department to Training Officer.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-90:** An Order of the City of Richmond Acknowledging an Increase in the Retirement Benefits of the Police and Firefighters Not Covered by the County Employees Retirement System (CERS).

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Baird  
Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-91:** An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation and Appointing a New Member to the Tax Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe  
Seconded: Commissioner Baird

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-92:** An Order of the City of Richmond Transferring an Employee from Police Department to the Administration Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby  
Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

**Order 15-93:** An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Authorizing the Mayor to Make Application for and, Upon Approval, to Enter into an Agreement with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security (KOHS), to Execute any Documents which are Deemed Necessary by KOHS to Facilitate and Administer the Project and to Act as the Authorized Correspondent for this Project. This Order also Establishes Procurement Policy for any KOHS Approved Project for the Fiscal Year 2015 Application Cycle.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Baird  
Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	

Commissioner Baird                    x  
Commissioner Blythe                 x  
Mayor Barnes                            x

**Order 15-94:** An Order of the Board of Commissioners Terminating the Employment of a City Employee.

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

**VOTING:**                                 **YES**                    **NO**

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

**Order 15-95:** An Order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Appointing a City Manager.

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Baird

**VOTING:**                                 **YES**                    **NO**

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

**Order 15-96:** An Order of the City of Richmond Promoting an Employee in the Fire Department to Assistant Fire Chief.

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

**VOTING:**                                 **YES**                    **NO**

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

**Public Comments**

**1. Erik Liddell- Fieldstone Subdivision**

Mr. Liddell spoke on behalf of the Homes owners Association on when the subdivision will be dedicated to city or the progress for pulling bond.



### **Bill Mulhern- Richwood Subdivision**

1. Mr. Mulhern spoke on behalf Richwood Home owners Association as too when the Nuisance Drafted Ordinance will be formally presented to the Commission for consideration.
2. Mr. Mulhern asked about the following other ordinances to be reviewed on height of grass before it will be cut by city.
3. Mr. Mulhern questioned if there was an ordinance against citizens placing grass clippings in the streets.

### **Departmental Reports**

No report

### **City Manager's Report**

No report

### **City Attorney's Report- Fieldstone Subdivision Update**

Mr Fowles provided update for citizens in regards to the legal proceedings for pulling the bond on their subdivision.

Female Citizen from Fieldstone Subdivision approached the Commission and explained how the conditions of the infrastructure affect her family's life.

### **Commissioner Reports**

#### **Commissioner Newby**

No report

#### **Commissioner Baird**

1. Commended the Tourism Department for conducting the July 4<sup>th</sup> event for the past 18 years. She also commended Gerald Tatum for him volunteering for the event this year.

#### **Commissioner Blythe**

1. July 4<sup>th</sup> event was great
2. Questioned if this was the last July 4<sup>th</sup> event that will be conducted by the Tourism Dept.
3. Questioned if the city was still hiring seasonal workers
4. Announced memorial services for Wanda Singleton a past employee of the city.
5. Downtown parking tickets and working with the Downtown Association

#### **Commissioner Morgan**

1. Commended the employees that worked the July 4<sup>th</sup> event. He spoke specifically about Ricky Reynolds, David Ward, Parks and Tourism Staff and Gerald Tatum for volunteering.
2. August Workshop- Requested that Tonita Goodwin attend this meeting along with a board member to discuss the possibility of changing her department from Industrial to Economic Development.

**Mayor Barnes**

1. Liberty Place Transition Ceremony
2. Japan recent visit with Mr. Asahi
3. Introduced Mr. Hogg
4. Fieldstone Subdivision

**Adjournment: 7:54 p.m.**

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

**VOTING:**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Baird	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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City Clerk