

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 12, 2016  
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; City Manager, Garrett Fowles; City Attorney,  
Lisa Cassity; City Clerk**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Presentations:**

- 1) EKU Football Coach- Mark Elder
- 2) Fair Housing Month Proclamation- FAHE
- 3) Baptist Health Richmond Expansion Update- Todd Jones, President  
**(ATTACHED)**

**Minute Approval:**

- 1) Regular Commission Meeting held on March 22, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

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	

**Ordinance 16-13:** An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Annexing the Property at 1285 Lancaster Road Adjacent into the City Limits.

**First Reading**

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

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	

**Ordinance 16-14:** An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending the Zoning Ordinance Relating to the Permissible Locations of a Permanent Fireworks Retailer.

**First Reading**

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

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	

Commissioner Morgan questioned if the Fire Chief had any concerns regarding this Ordinance.

Fire Chief Wayne Long responded that he wasn't prepared to make a statement tonight, however was meeting the City Manager along with the Directors of Codes and Planning & Zoning tomorrow to discuss this Ordinance.

Mr. Thomas stated that this Ordinance tonight is not approving or endorsing anything. That if the Ordinance is approved the retailers still have to go before the Board of Adjustments to obtain approval of location in a B-3 as a Conditional Use. He informed the Commission that the State still has regulations on the size of Fireworks and types that can be sold in this zone.

Commissioner Morgan requested the clerk to provide any previous meeting minutes which fireworks were discussed. He felt that this same topic was discussed previously in the years and there were concerns raised in those meetings.

Mr. Fowles reminded the Commission that this Ordinance is not permitting in those zones but as a Conditional Use with pending approval from the Board of Adjustments for a B-3 Zone of Highway Business. Currently the only zone approved for Fireworks permanent locations is in an I-2 zone which is around the Industrial Park off Duncannon Lane.

Commissioner Blythe questioned if the City already has any permanent retailers in the I-2 Zone.

Mr. Fowles responded no, but this all came about when a fireworks retail business approached the city with approval for a location on North Keeneland Drive.

Commissioner Newby questioned if a case was presented to the Board of Adjustments would the Fire Department has a say so in the approval.

**Order 16-43:** An Order of the City of Richmond Re-Appointing a Member on the Architectural Review Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

**Order 16-44:** 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 Blythe

**VOTING:** YES NO

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

**Order 16-45:** An Order of the City of Richmond Approving an Audit Agreement Between the City of Richmond and Mountjoy Chilton Medley.

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 16-46:** An Order of the City of Richmond Approving the Project Implementation and Program Management Contract with FAHE for the Community Development Block Grant Program for the Eastern Scholar House Project.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Baird

**VOTING:** YES NO

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

**Order 16-47:** An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring a Family Self Sufficiency Coordinator for the Section 8 Housing Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan  
Seconded: Commissioner Newby

<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 16-48:** An Order of the City of Richmond Re-Appointing a Member to the  
Richmond Utilities Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe  
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	

**AMEND AGENDA to include Order 16-49**

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 16-49:** An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Six Candidates for the  
Richmond Police Department.

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	

**Public Comments**

1. Jerry Hurst- East Main Auto Sales

Mr. Hurst requested that the city close down the alleyway between his business and Southern States. He explained that the area is no longer maintained and would like that area to be deeded half to him and half to Southern States properties. He estimated the ally be 20 feet long and hasn't been used in many years and is currently collecting trash as a result of not being maintained.

Mr. Thomas requested to speak with citizen after meeting to obtain information to follow up on the request.

### **Departmental Reports**

#### **1. Chief Brock- Police Department**

Chief invited the Commission to the Ellis Plaque dedication ceremony on April 22, 2016 at 8:30am at the Police Station building. He explained that this particular date has significance as it's both Daniel's and his wife Katie's birthday. Public is also invited to the event.

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

1. National Earth Day, April 22<sup>nd</sup> will be clean up Downtown. He explained how employees and businesses have dedicated this day to clean up trash in areas of the city.
2. Girls Softball Update- Mr. Thomas provided update that several of the issues that the Softball Association had recently presented at a Commission meeting have been addressed and fixed such as, drainage, added dirt, new bases, ordered new bleachers and fixed the restrooms.

### **Board of Commissioner's Discussion**

#### **Commissioner Blythe**

1. April Homelessness Month and the New Liberty Shelter are celebrating 25 years of serving this community. He explained that this shelter is funded only be donations monetary and supplies.
2. This Sunday as his church they will be celebrating him 34 years of pastor.

#### **Commissioner Morgan**

1. Business Babes- Community Trust Bank is hosting a fundraiser for the Habitat for Humanity tonight and the public is invited.

#### **Commissioner Baird**

1. Hospice Care Plus luncheon was today and she explained how she took a tour of the facility and nice it is to have this service for our community. She also asked for volunteers at the facility.

#### **Commissioner Newby**

1. Hope's Wings Jail & Bail event was a success and said he had a lot of fun for a good cause.

**Mayor Barnes**

No report

**Executive Session- KRS 61.810 (c) Pending Litigation at 7:20 p.m.**

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

**VOTING:** YES NO

Commissioner Baird x

Commissioner Blythe x

Commissioner Morgan x

Commissioner Newby x

Mayor Barnes x

**Out of Executive Session at 7:44 p.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

**Back into Regular Session at 7:45 p.m.**

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

**VOTING:** YES NO

Commissioner Morgan x

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Baird x

Commissioner Blythe x

Mayor Barnes x

**Adjournment: 7:45 p.m.**

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Baird

**VOTING:** YES NO

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Baird x

Commissioner Blythe x

Commissioner Morgan x

Mayor Barnes x

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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City Clerk