

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 28, 2016
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; City Manager, Garrett Fowles; City Attorney,
Lisa Cassity; City Clerk**

Pledge of Allegiance

Minute Approval:

- 1) Regular Commission Meeting held on June 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Workshop Meeting held on June 21, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

Ordinance 16-17: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond Adopting an Annual Budget for the City of Richmond, Kentucky for the Fiscal Year 2017 by Estimating Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation of City Government.

Second Reading

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Baird

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

Ordinance 16-18: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond Adopting an Annual Budget for the Section 8 Housing Department for the Fiscal Year 2017 by Estimating

Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation of City Government.

Second Reading

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

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

Ordinance 16-19: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond Amending Ordinance 03-27 Concerning the Richmond Utilities Board.

First Reading

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

Commission questioned who many people are authorized to co-sign checks. Scott Althauser responded that the Utility Board Attorney drafted the Ordinance after previous discussions at their board meetings. He advised the commission that Mr. Puckett was not present at the meeting and would follow up. Commission asked that the Ordinance be Tabled for further clarification.

TABLED Ordinance 16-19

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

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

TABLED Ordinance 16-15: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending the City's Development Ordinance Relating to Rooming and Boarding Houses, Group Homes, and Residential Care Facilities; Providing for Fines for unlawful Location of Rooming and Boarding Houses and Group Homes; and placing any Such Fines on Ad Valorem Tax Bills for Collection.

Mayor asked for a motion to bring Tabled Ordinance 16-15 back to the floor.

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Mayor Barnes

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

Motion did not pass, so no further discussion was placed on the Commission regarding Ordinance 16-15

Order 16-78: 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

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

Order 16-79: An Order of the City of Richmond Approving the Execution of a Municipal Aid Co-op Program Contract between the City of Richmond, Kentucky and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal Aid for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2016 as Provided in the Kentucky Revised Statutes and Accepting all Streets Referred to Therein and Being Streets Which are a Part of the City.

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Baird

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

AMEND AGENDA TO INCLUDE ORDER 16-80

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

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

Mr. Thomas responded that the city will look into his concern.

4. Rita Smart- citizen

Ms. Smart addressed the commission on the quality of audio/video of the City Commission meetings on channel 12.

5. Amara Bonham- Richmond Police Officer wife

Mrs Bonham addressed the commission with a prepared statement in support of the police pay scale.

6. Robin Noland- Richmond Police Officer mother

Ms. Noland addressed the commission in support of the police pay scale.

7. Stephanie Ernst- Richmond Police Officer wife

Mrs. Ernst addressed the commission in support of the commission and officers showing respect towards one another.

8. Raney Wiseman- Richmond Firefighter

Mr. Wiseman addressed the commission in response to his termination on Order 16-81.

Departmental Reports

None

City Manager's Report

1. July 4th, Lake Reba Fireworks Celebration
2. July 5th RAAC/ Madison Signers Patriotic performance.

Board of Commissioner's Discussion

Commissioner Blythe

1. Liberty Place- Hope not Heroin Rally event in September.
2. 16-15 Ordinance- has concerns about the presentation of the ordinance and would like to unbundle it for clarification. He stated there are several conversation that are still needed and would like to separate the zones.
3. Addressed the audience in regards to the police pay scale. He stated he needed to make a good decision on how it's going to impact the city in the future. However that he did see it needing immediate action.
4. Addressed the audience in regards to certain personnel issues is confidential, and felt like there are always two sides to every story.

Commissioner Baird

None

Commissioner Morgan

1. Golf Carts- Requested that this topic be placed on a Workshop Agenda to allow golf cart use in Gibson Bay area.

2. Addressed the audience in response to the police pay scale. He stated he was sorry and grateful for the officers. However has requested that the commission have a conversation on the proposal and have a cost analysis completed.
3. 16-15 Ordinance- requested that the R1 zone be separated and presented back to the commission. Mr. Fowles responded that he's already drafted that separation and would have the City Clerk place that on the tablets for the commissions review.

Commissioner Newby

1. Addressed the Commission and audience in response to other commission member's remarks tonight. Commissioner brought up several topics that he was disgruntled about and apologized to the citizens.

Mayor Barnes

1. Advised the commission to go easy on their statements tonight and seek all the facts before making assumptions.
2. Addressed the public on the proposed pay scale. He stated that the Finance Director was creating a cost analysis however would not be ready to present until early August.
3. 16-15 Ordinance- Addressed the commission that this ordinance has been in the drafting stages for a couple of years and was disappointing that the commission would not even take the Ordinance off the table for simply a discussion tonight.

Adjournment: 7:30 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Baird

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

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

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk