

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 12, 2018
CITY HALL
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
6:00 PM**

Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT: Commissioner Blythe, Eaves, 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 May 22, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Special Called Commission Meeting held on June 04, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.
- 3) Special Called Commission Meeting held on June 06, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

Ordinance 18-08: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Creating and Establishing a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Local Development Area within the Jurisdictional Boundaries of the City of Richmond, Kentucky, to be Known as the “EKU Strategic Growth Development Area” for the Establishment of a Senior Assisted Living Facility in Collaboration with the ECU College of Health Sciences and Other Related Projects with Benefit the City of Richmond and Eastern Kentucky University; Making Development Area: Approving a Local Development Area Agreement Between the City and ECU as the Agency as Defined in KRS 65.680 to Act for and on Behalf of the City in Administering the ECU Strategic Growth Development Area; Establishing an Incremental Tax Special Fund in to Which all Incremental Revenues as Defined in KRS 65.680 Shall be Deposited; Authorizing and Directing the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute a Local Development Area Agreement Between the City, ECU and ECU Strategic Growth Investment Fund, LLC (the “Developer”) and to Take all Other Necessary and Appropriate Actions to Achieve the Public Purposes Found Herein to Create and Implement the ECU Strategic Growth Development Area.

Second Reading

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Eaves

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

Ordinance 18-13: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending the Franchise Agreement for the Collection of Commercial Solid Waste to Provide for the Collection of Bulk Items and Establishing the Allowable Charges for Such Collection.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

Commissioner Morgan questioned if this is a fee increase to the Commercial customers. City Attorney Garrett Fowles responded that the collection will be now serviced by Advanced Disposal and not the city. The fee will be per pick up which Advanced Disposal will charge at their discretion depending on the number of items picked up.

No Vote Taken

Ordinance 18-10: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending the City’s Development Ordinance Relating to Dimensional Restrictions in the City’s Residential, Business and Public/Semi-Public Zoning Districts and the Building Site Size and Setbacks in the City’s Industrial Zones.

Second Reading

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Eaves

Mr. Fowles provided further details on why the ordinance is needed.

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

Ordinance 18-11: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Repealing the City's Existing Ordinances Pertaining to the Richmond Codes Enforcement Board and Enacting a Replacement Ordinance.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Eaves

Mr. Fowles responded that this is more of a housekeeping ordinance to be in compliance with new KRS statutes.

No Vote Taken

Ordinance 18-12: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond Adopting an Annual Budget for the City of Richmond Fiscal Year 2019 Estimating Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation for City Government.

First Reading

Read by Finance Director and City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Eaves

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

Mayor Barnes requested that the commission consider putting the Animal Shelter funding back in the budget and invite Judge Taylor to the next Workshop meeting to explain further.

No Vote Taken

Motion was made to include the \$75,000 for Animal Shelter contingent upon discussion with Judge Taylor at the Workshop Meeting.

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Eaves

VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Morgan

x

Commissioner Newby

x

Commissioner Blythe

x

Commissioner Eaves

x

Mayor Barnes

x

Ordinance 18-14: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending Ordinance No. 93-32 Pertaining to the Purchasing and Procurement Policies and Procedures for the City of Richmond.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

Commissioner Morgan questioned the procedure for this submission to ensure that if adopted Richmond would be in compliance with Federal Grant Management. Sharon Cain responded that these changes have been reviewed by Cheryl Richardson, our Auditor, Mr. Fowles and myself. She stated that these are correct as submitted.

No Vote Taken

Order 18-72: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Two Codes Enforcement Officers for the Codes Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

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

Order 18-73: An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Directing the Finance Director to Close a City Bank Account.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Eaves

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

Order 18-75: An Order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Authorizing the Purchase of Security Gate Equipment, Software, and Services Through Noncompetitive Negotiation.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Eaves

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

Order 18-74: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring a City Manager.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby
Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

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

Public Comments

1. Virgil Gardner- Citizen

Mr. Gardner requested that the city Code Department address sidewalk conditions on Elm and Hill Street as so many tree limbs and bushes are overgrown which is forcing pedestrians to walk in the road.

Departmental Reports

1. Lori Tatum- Tourism Department

Ms. Tatum announced that the Tourism Department is preparing to move offices to the new location on Main Street. Public opening will be August 1st.

Ms. Tatum also announced that Richmond will be celebrating its 220th Birthday this year.

City Manager's Report

Mr. Thomas discussed the following items:

1. Publicly thanked all the Elected Officials for the opportunity to serve the City.

Board of Commissioner's Discussion

Commissioner Eaves

No report

Commissioner Morgan

1. Questioned the outcome of the Water Street meeting with engineer. Mr. Thomas announced that the construction would be corrected and paid for my contractors.
2. Requested that weeds be sprayed and pulled at the new Water Street park.
3. Requested that the commission re-evaluate the probation period for new employees as to if they are granted raises during that time. He questioned the new hires tonight will get the 4% raise on July 1st and doesn't feel that's fair to other current employees.

Commissioner Newby

No report

Commissioner Blythe

1. Thanked Mr. Thomas for his service to the city and navigating us through tough times and leading us to good outcomes.

2. Invited all children to a free lunch program at Irvine/Hill Streets this summer.

Mayor Barnes

1. Ordinances- Mayor announced that all Ordinances will now be presented as followed:

1st meeting of the month- 1st reading

Workshop meeting- open discussion

2nd meeting of the month- 2nd reading

He added that he feels by this change the meetings will be more structured and benefited before the final vote.

2. Thanked Mr. Thomas for his tenure at the City of Richmond.

3. Congratulated Rob Minerich on his new venture with the City as the City Manager.

Adjournment: 6:55 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Eaves

VOTING:

Commissioner Blythe

YES

NO

x

Commissioner Eaves

x

Commissioner Morgan

x

Commissioner Newby

x

Mayor Barnes

x

ATTEST:

City Clerk


MAYOR