

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 28, 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: Rob Minerich; City Manager, Garrett Fowles; City Attorney,
Lisa Cassity; City Clerk**

Pledge of Allegiance

Minute Approval:

- 1) Regular Commission Meeting held on August 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Workshop Meeting held on August 21, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

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

Ordinance 18-18: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending Ordinance No C-023 Regarding the Carrying of a Concealed Weapon by On and Off-Duty City Police Officers Outside the Boundaries of the City.

Second Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Eaves

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

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

Ordinance 18-19: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending Section 128.03 of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Code of Ordinances.

Second Reading

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

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

Ordinance 18-20: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Relating to Delinquent Taxes, Fines, Penalties, and Abatement Charges Owed to the City.

Second Reading

Read by City Attorney
Motion: Commissioner Eaves
Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

Ordinance 18-21: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Authorizing the City Manager to Assess and Remedy Public Safety Hazards in the City Related to On-Street Parking.

Second Reading

Read by City Attorney
Motion: Commissioner Newby
Seconded: Commissioner Eaves

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

Order 18-103: An Order of the City of Richmond Amending Order 18-98.

Read by City Clerk
Motion: Commissioner Blythe
Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

Mayor Barnes x

Order 18-104: An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Authorizing the Expenditure of Additional City Funds for the Richmond Industrial Park III Water Line Extension Project.

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Morgan x

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Blythe x

Commissioner Eaves x

Mayor Barnes x

Order 118-105: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation by an Employee in the Administration Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Blythe x

Commissioner Eaves x

Commissioner Morgan x

Mayor Barnes x

Public Comments

1. Ron Flinkinger: Café Meeples Restaurant

Mr. Flinkinger stated that he can't support the downtown square project due to no parking structure now.

2. Mendi Goble- Richmond Chamber of Commerce

Ms. Goble expressed concerns for downtown parking.

3. John Leeds- Leeds Jewelry Store

Mr. Leeds requested that the no parking zones at the corners be labeled as unloading zones.

4. David Jett- Building owner downtown

Mr. Jett requested that the citizens, business owners and the city work together to fix the downtown parking issues and encouraged more long-term parking for employees.

Departmental Reports

None

City Manager's Report

Mr. Minerich discussed the following items:

1. Industrial Park Update- Noted that him, Mayor Barnes and Mr. Stipes have been visiting the local industries and happy to announce that at least 5 plants plan to expand with 100 jobs created. He also noted that the current workforce is having problems which requires more training of young people after graduations to fill these jobs.

Board of Commissioner's Discussion

Commissioner Eaves

1. Requested that the commission meetings all be video recorded or live streaming on the website for better transparency.
2. Agreed that parking is an issue, but doesn't see a parking structure as the answer since people would still be walking several blocks.

Commissioner Morgan

1. Announced that Dr. Wilma Walker was in attendance to night. Dr. Walker announced that a JetBlue aircraft landed at the airport for service training.
2. Announced that Bill Robinson, retired Richmond Register reporter was covering the meeting tonight.

Commissioner Newby

1. Noted that communication is the key and didn't feel that building a structure was the answer to the parking issues downtown.

Commissioner Blythe

1. Thanked Mr. Jett for the suggestion of "Let's Work Together." Commissioner Blythe commented that Richmond has enough parking, the problem is because it's not at the front door. He suggested in the last workshop that the city invest in Parking Signage to encourage people to use existing parking which is always right off Main Street. He suggested we use the slogan: "Richmond on the Move."
2. Bluegrass.org had an open house off Boggs Lane for a rehabilitation center for pregnant women.

Mayor Barnes

1. Thanked the Fire Department for good responses and professional manner last Saturday at a fire.
2. Questioned when paving would start.
3. Agreed that Workshop meetings should be televised, however does not create an atmosphere of open dialogue and creative thinking.

Adjournment: 6:44 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:

Commissioner Blythe
Commissioner Eaves
Commissioner Morgan
Commissioner Newby
Mayor Barnes

YES

x
x
x
x
x

NO

ATTEST:

City Clerk



MAYOR

