

**Richlawn City Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
February 20, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Richlawn City Council was held on Monday, February 20, 2012, at the Old National Bank on Shelbyville Road & Hubbards Lane. Present were Mayor Pat Coomes and Commissioners Andrew Renda, Joe Bohannon, Alicia Nordmann, and Henry Thoben, along with City Clerk/Treasurer Jeff Barrick and City Attorney Steve Porter. Richlawn residents Craig & Lee Van Natta, Rick & Susan Tapp, Terry McDermott, and Lindsey Brooks were also in attendance. Mayor Coomes called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

A. Mr. Barrick presented the bills to be paid in February:

Extra Space Storage	ACH	90.00
LG&E	ACH	369.20
Rumpke	ACH	2915.35
Louisville Water Company	ACH	14.29

- Commissioner Renda made a motion to pay the bills, Commissioner Thoben seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

B. Minutes from January Meeting

- Commissioner Renda made a motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting, Commissioner Nordmann seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

C. Communications

1. **Gazette:** The next Gazette will be out around March 1.

Possible Topics: Decorating Contest Winners, Mosquito Abatement, Rumpke Schedule, and Ledyard/Lang Field dumping/cleanup, Tree Program, Public Safety, Shelbyville road sidewalks, Dog barking.

D. Tree Ordinance

1. Thomas Scott @ 127 Heady Avenue was interested in using the tree program, but will wait until the Fall.

E. Shelbyville road sidewalks: Mayor Coomes stated bidding for sidewalks along Shelbyville Road will begin in March. Richlawn's portion is estimated to be \$20-\$30K.

F. Attorney Update: Mr. Porter stated he will have a draft of the new and improved building code for review at the next meeting. He also stated Metro Councilwoman Tina Ward-Pugh will attend the city's next council meeting. Richlawn was re-districted into the eastern most edge of her district. Commissioner Thoben suggested the city send a note of thanks to Metro Councilman Ken Fleming for his assistance over the years.

G. Lang Field dumping: Mayor Coomes presented one bid from All-In-One Lawn Care to clean up the trash/debris along Lang Field. The bid was for \$6,400. He also stated he spoke with Valley Crest and they would do the work for \$1,500. Mayor Coomes will request a formal bid.

1. Commissioner Thoben suggested waiting to do this cleanup and to plan out the work and have a purpose.
2. Commissioner Bohannon made a motion to approve up to \$2,000 to have the area along the back of Lang Field cleaned up. Commissioner Renda seconded the motion and it passed by a three to one vote. Commissioner Thoben opposed the motion.
3. Mr. McDermott suggested getting a group of neighborhood volunteers together to do the cleanup. Discussion ensued.

H. Marshall Property/Hubbards Lane Cleanup: Mayor Coomes stated the owners of the Marshall property would clean up the area along Hubbards Lane but they have not. He will follow up with them.

I. Other Business

1. **Dogs:** Commissioner Thoben presented copies of the Louisville Metro Dog Ordinance. He stated residents have voiced their displeasure over barking dogs.
2. **Break-ins:** 100 Gibson Road & 4179 Blenheim Road have recently been broken into. Residents are concerned. Options were discussed including hiring an off-duty police officer to patrol the neighborhood. Rates are between \$35 and \$50 per hour. Commissioner Bohannon stated the best protection is an active block watch program. The program would need a lot of resident involvement. An article will be written in the Gazette about safety in the neighborhood.

J. Adjourn

1. Mayor Coomes stated the next meeting will be held on Monday March 19, 2012 at 7:30 PM at Old National Bank on Hubbards Lane
2. Commissioner Bohannon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM; it was seconded by Commissioner Nordmann and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Jeff Barrick
Clerk/Treasurer

Patrick Coomes
Mayor