

**Richlawn City Commission  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
May 21, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Richlawn City Council was held on Monday, May 21, 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. Mayor Coomes called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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

Extra Space Storage	ACH	90.00
LG&E	ACH	373.08
Rumpke	ACH	2915.35
FedEx Kinko's	1784	295.00
Kiely Hines & Associates	1785	916.20
Marilyn Clark	1786	200.00
Senior Care Experts	1787	600.00
St. Matthews Area Ministries	1788	600.00
St. Matthews Library	1789	600.00
Stephen T Porter	1790	1000.00
Valley Crest	1791	2900.00

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

**B. Minutes from April Meeting**

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

**C. Tree Program:**

- Dirk Gowin @ 116 Heady Avenue contacted Commissioner Bohannon inquiring about putting a tree in each of the four corners of the houses at the front entrance of the city. Mr. Gowin wants to plant two canopy trees, neither of which are on the approved list. Commissioner Thoben stated the council turned another resident down for choosing a tree that is not on the approved list. Mr. Porter suggested contacting an arborist to see if the Chestnut tree is ok.
- Susan Bell @ 211 N. Hubbards took out a tree and wants to be reimbursed. Commissioner Bohannon stated the tree was damaged.
- Commissioner Bohannon will write an article for the next Gazette stating if a resident wants to be reimbursed for planting a tree or taking a tree down, they must get approval prior to taking action.

**D. FY2013 Tax & Budget Ordinances:**

- Commissioner Renda made a motion to have the first reading of FY2013 Ordinances 2012-02 (Budget), 2012-03 (Tax Rate), and 2012-04 (Bank Franchise).
- Mr. Barrick presented the 2013 budget. The suggested tax rate is \$0.15 per \$100 of assessed value. This is the same rate as FY2012. The budget was reviewed by the City Council.
  - The community garden will stay in the budget and Commissioner Renda will gauge interest throughout the year.
  - Commissioner Renda mentioned that Louise Lang passed away and asked if the city sends bereavement flowers. Mayor Coomes said to send flowers and send Mr. Barrick the receipt.
  - Commissioner Bohannon inquired about when the city replaces the roads. The city would need to finance part of the project. Discussion ensued and the council decided the roads did not need to be replaced at this time and would patch as necessary.

**E. Attorney Updates:** No updates

**F. Other items or resident concerns:**

- **Rumpke:** The City will implement the new recycling bins (65 gallon bin) with pick up every other week. The council will need to inform the residents of the change and what to expect via a separate flyer and in the next Gazette. Rumpke will provide a calendar that can be posted on the website. Commissioner Nordmann asked if the city needed to get bids for the trash service. Mr. Porter stated bids were not necessary. Commissioner Nordmann stated she would contact the Mayor of Beechwood Village to see what they pay.
- **Dogs:** Residents have been complaining of barking dogs in the city. There will need to be an article in the next Gazette.
- **Fence Dispute:** The fence dispute on Heady Avenue has been resolved by the residents.
- **Gazette:** The next Gazette will be out in June. Topics for the Gazette will include: Building Ordinance, Tree Program, Barking Dogs, Rumpke Recycling Program, Commissioner Elections, and the Fall Festival.

**G. Adjourn**

1. Mayor Coomes stated the next meeting will be held on Monday June 18, 2012 at 7:30 PM at Old National Bank on Hubbards Lane
2. Commissioner Bohannon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM; it was seconded by Commissioner Thoben and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeff Barrick  
Clerk/Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patrick Coomes  
Mayor