

**Richlawn City Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
June 17, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Richlawn City Council was held on Monday, June 17, 2013, at the Old National Bank on Shelbyville Road & Hubbards Lane. Present were Mayor Patrick Coomes, Commissioners Dirk Gowin, Roger Rymarz, Rae Taylor, and Henry Thoben, along with Clerk/Treasurer Jeff Barrick. City Attorney Steve Porter joined the meeting in progress. Also in attendance were Richlawn residents Ian & Sylvia Cassidy and Richlawn Shopping Center Manager Craig Collins. Mayor Coomes called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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

Extra Space Storage	VISA	98.00
LG&E	ACH	420.94
Rumpke	ACH	2716.35
Louisville Water Company	ACH	17.01
Albert Taylor	1895	270.45
Dirk Gowin	1896	270.45
Henry Thoben	1897	270.45
Jeff Barrick	1898	1081.80
Patrick Coomes	1899	676.13
Roger Rymarz	1900	270.45
Paul's Fruit Market	1901	100.00
US Postal Service	1902	140.00
Valley Crest	1903	2150.00

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

B. Minutes from May Meeting

- Commissioner Taylor asked about Richlawn having to pay the property owners for the easement in order to put the sidewalks in. Commissioner Gowin explained the catch basins in the parking lots are part of the easement but with an MSD easement no records can be found and the city may have to pay for the easement. The city will ask that the easement be donated.
- Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes from the May meeting. Commissioner Gowin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

C. Safety Considerations:

- Commissioner Gowin asked Ian Cassidy to join the meeting because the Block Watch will need leadership and Commissioner Gowin asked Mr. Cassidy to be the champion of the program. Mr. Cassidy would like more information. Commissioner Rymarz stated he suggested putting an email account for Block Watch captains. He also suggested having 2 captains per block. Mayor Coomes stated the program needs someone to step up and organize the program and keep the group together and the citizens informed. Commissioner Gowin wants to put information in the Gazette about where the Block Watch program stands. Commissioner Taylor thought the Block Watch program should be handled informally where neighbors just look out for each other. Commissioner Thoben stated the last block watch program was put together in March 2005 and it fell apart. Mr. Cassidy stated he would review the information and let the council know if it is something he would be willing to take on.

D. Richlawn Shopping Center:

- Craig Collins (Managing Partner) stated they have more vacancies than ever before. He wants to discuss the Deed Restriction that does not allow restaurants. He stated they have a potential tenant (Panera Bread) who want to lease space, but the deed restriction does not allow food preparation on the site. Mr. Collins will contact Mr. Porter for more information.
- Commissioner Gowin mentioned to Mr. Collins the city is considering putting sidewalks in along Shelbyville Road. Mr. Collins is worried about losing parking and landscaping. Commissioner Gowin stated the landscaping would be replaced and he would not lose parking spaces.

E. FY2013 Budget

- The 2013 Budget Ordinances were presented and approved.
 - Ordinance 2013-01 – Operating Budget – Commissioner Gowin made a motion to approve, Commissioner Rymarz seconded the motion, and Commissioner Thoben abstained from voting. Mr. Barrick asked Commissioner Thoben why he was abstaining from the vote, that the Council has had the budget for three months with no objections. Commissioner Thoben stated he would discuss it later. The ordinance was approved.
 - Ordinance 2013-02 - Property Tax Rate of fifteen cents per \$100 of assessed value – Commissioner Gowin made a motion to approve, Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
 - Ordinance 2013-03 – Franchise Tax on financial institutions – Commissioner Gowin made a motion to approve, Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

F. Handbook

- Mayor Coomes has updated the handbook. Commissioner Rymarz had a couple changes
 - Update the garbage pickup section and include Rumpke's requirements for where to put the cans on the street.
 - Add the Commissioner's titles
- Mayor Coomes asked if there were any other updates for the commissioners to send them to him
- Metro permits are now being emailed to the Clerk's email address. Commissioner Rymarz asked that the permits be posted on the city website and that the permits be sent to Commissioner Rymarz and Thoben.

G. Summer Gazette:

- Articles for the Gazette will include: Block Watch (feature), Trash regulations, Parking on city streets, and Animal control
- Parking on Lang field is becoming a problem:
 - Grass is being torn up
 - Commissioners will look into No Parking signs
 - Flyers will be put on cars that are violating the ordinance
- Commissioner Thoben requested 4-5 extra Gazettes
- Commissioner Gowin will get the proof of the Gazette out to the Council in the next two weeks for review.

H. Adjourn

1. Mayor Coomes stated the next meeting will be held on Monday July 15, 2013 at 7:30 PM at Old National Bank on Hubbards Lane
2. Commissioner Rymarz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM; it was seconded by Commissioner Taylor and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Jeff Barrick
Clerk/Treasurer

Patrick Coomes
Mayor

APPROVED