

**Richlawn City Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
September 16, 2019**

The September 2019 meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM at the Old National Bank

Present: Mayor Carpenter; Commissioners DeVore, Cassidy, and Brotzge; City Attorney Porter; City Clerk/Treasurer Sullivan; and COE George Stewart

A. Resident & Guest Forum:

- a. Marsha McWhorter 4169 Blenheim Rd, Rae Taylor 214 Gibson Rd, Joe Bohannon 4173 Blenheim Rd, Nick Pregliasco 107 Don Allen, and Bernadette McIntire 4108 Ledyard Rd
- b. All people at the meeting introduced themselves to ensure all guests and officials knew the names of attendees talking.
- c. Resident Forum: Bernadette McIntire discussed the condition of the backyard of 4177 Blenheim owned by Tara Azadi who can be contacted at the email address of taranehyeganeh@yahoo.com. The Azadi family occupied this house from 2009 to 2013 and it has been a rental property since they moved. Bernadette mentioned the husband is a medical doctor and Tara is a pharmacist; this indicates they should have enough funds to keep the property and land maintained. Broadway Management manages the property for them and in the days prior to the meeting they had cleaned up some of the backyard and painted part of the garage. Their latest tenant supposedly ended their lease due to poor response on maintenance issues. Bernadette had personally paid for cleanup of the backyard in 2017 to prevent issues to her property on the other side of the fence. Bernadette also was concerned about the increase in rodents in the overgrown plant life on the fence line. Ian Cassidy and George Stewart viewed the property and shared pictures; besides the poor condition of the grounds, they noted the old wood storm windows contained many feet of rotten wood.
- d. Joe Bohannon also commented that the property was in bad shape. Steve Porter suggested Metro Code Enforcement was the best method to pursue this property issue. Also noted Code Enforcement had not replied to issues at 4193 Blenheim.
- e. The Commission discussed and requested Steve Porter to make official inquiries into the status of 4193 Blenheim at a billable rate. George Stewart will also investigate further.
- f. Joe Bohannon stated he and his wife desire the repainting of speed bumps and stop lines due to paint fading/flaking off.
- g. Marsha McWhorter stated she would continue to keep her yard neat and encourage other residents to do the same.
- h. Commissioner Cassidy informed Daniel Sullivan that he had provided Rae Taylor with the September financial statement.

B. City Clerk/Treasurer Report:

- a. Daniel Sullivan reviewed the August 2109 financial statement.
- b. He noted CDs were now paying 1.2%. The city's CDs come due in May, 2020.
- c. It was noted George Stewart's actual payment would be \$265 verses \$220.
- d. Commissioner DeVore motioned to approve the August bills and Commissioner Brotzge seconded; all voted in favor.
- e. Commissioner DeVore motioned to approve the August minutes and Commissioner Brotzge seconded; all voted in favor.
- f. Monthly Bills:

Date	Name	Memo	Amount
09/13/2019	Daniel M. Sullivan	Aug 2019 Invoice	-\$360.60
09/13/2019	SIENKOWSKI RYAN EDWARD	Canopy Tree Program Reimbursement	-\$500.00
09/13/2019	Andrew Carpenter	Q3, 2019	-\$676.12
09/13/2019	Dianne Devore	3rd Quarter Payroll, 2019	-\$270.45
09/13/2019	Ian A Cassidy	3rd Quarter Payroll, 2019	-\$270.45
09/13/2019	Matthew Brotzge	3rd Quarter Payroll, 2019	-\$270.45
09/13/2019	Torrence Williams	3rd Quarter Payroll, 2019	-\$270.45
09/13/2019	Brightview (fka Valley Crest)	Aug 2019 Invoice	-\$908.48
09/13/2019	Louisville Code Enforcement & Med	Aug 2019 Invoice	-\$240.00
09/13/2019	Neighborhood Security & Asset Prot	August Security Patrols - 2019	-\$420.00
09/13/2019	Sumy Designs	Web Hosting / Domain Renewal	-\$135.00
09/09/2019	Staples	Office Supplies / Printer Cartridges / Paper	-\$69.94
09/12/2019	Rumpke	August 2019 Service	-\$3,283.50
09/12/2019	Google	Sept 2019 Email	-\$96.00

C. Code Enforcement Officer:

- a. George Stewart: Some residents were cited for overgrown lawns and they quickly complied.

D. City Attorney:

- a. Steve Porter presented the modified parking ordinance which Mayor Carpenter postponed discussion to canvas residents. Tabled until later meeting.
- b. Walmart sent letters to property owners on the 100 Block of Gibson concerning trees on the property line. Steve Porter wants to prevent the straight upward cut of the trees on the property line. NOTE: After this meeting further emails discussed the tree were already straight cut on their eastern side to get them away from the power lines. Additionally a limb fell on a vehicle parked at Walmart.
- c. Mr. Porter also discussed light shields on the Walmart exterior lights were not installed to keep light on Walmart property.

E. Commissioner Cassidy:

- a. Ian Cassidy reports that the directory is at the printer and will be available for distribution in a week.
- b. Brick work bids at Heady entrance were \$2300 and \$3600. We may need to consider electric work for the lamp located on the top of the column and verify insurance requirements of company selected. Discussed ideas of remodeling entrance verses repair.

F. Commissioner Brotzke:

- a. Matt Brotzge reported construction application for dormer at 4167 Blenheim.
- b. Street light at west end of Blenheim cycles on and off and he will notify LG&E.
- c. Light at Heady and Taggart is straight.
- d. Mentioned property dispute on Gibson Road.

G. Commissioner Devore:

- a. Dianne DeVore reported that the mini library will be placed by the street light by the Heady entrance will be installed by October meeting. Gorden/Otte provided bid on landscaping and maintenance.
- b. Lights at entrance may need replacement for electrical safety reasons.

H. Commissioner Williams:

Out of the country in Europe.

I. Mayor Carpenter:

- a. Conducting the first reading of the modified parking ordinance. Commission discussed parking times of 15 minutes to 3 hours, flexibility, enforcement costs and email notification of parking needs on exception basis. Commission is seeking sensible ordinance to prevent issues of narrow streets, narrow driveways, uneven property frontage, "parking issues" between residents, and realistic enforcement costs.
- b. Hubbards Lane delayed until 2021. He has only found limited information on expansion at RR tracks and other expansion issues.

J. New Business:

- a. Discussed professional cleanup of sidewalk vegetation from Ledyard to RR tracks. Commissioner Cassidy had performed removal in mid-July but hanging branches are an issue for appearance issues.
- b. Commission needs to separate east lot of Ledyard for separate billing issues. Richlawn does not own this lot and owner reimburses City for lawn care.
- c. Green Street sign has been removed from the NW corner bend on Ledyard.

K. Adjourn:

Commissioner DeVore motioned to adjourn and Commissioner Brotzge seconded; all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

Ian A. Cassidy, Commissioner

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