

RUSSELL SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2022
6:00 P.M.

The Russell Springs City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Room at Russell Springs City Hall. Those in attendance were Mayor Eddie Thomas, Council Members, Ricky Barnes, Timmy Hudson, Sherry Daniel, Tom Holt, and Larry Skaggs, Police Chief Tim Pierce, Economic Development Director Jeramy Coffey, City Attorney David Smith, Fire Chief Bobby Johnson, and Assistant Fire Chief Mark Barnett, and City Clerk Christopher Ramsey.

Opening prayer was led by Pastor Donnie Emerson, Russell Springs Christian Church

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Larry Skaggs

WELCOME: Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

ROLL CALL: City Clerk Christopher Ramsey performed the roll call. Council Members Present: Mr. Barnes, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Holt, Ms. Daniel, and Mr. Skaggs. Council Members Absent: Mr. Blakey

MINUTES: Mayor Thomas presented the minutes from the meeting on May 12, 2022. **Councilwoman Daniel made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Hudson seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

CASH DISBURSEMENTS & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Mayor Thomas submitted cash disbursements and financial statements for April 2022 to be approved. **Councilman Holt made a motion to accept the cash disbursements and financial statements with Councilman Barnes seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

SEEDS OF HOPE GRANT: Mrs. Joy Fletcher presented on behalf of the board members of Seeds of Hope. Mrs. Fletcher announce that her group would be funding approximately \$5,700 dollars to go towards the purchase new firefighter helmets. On behalf of the council and fire department, Mayor Thomas thanked Mrs. Fletcher and the Seeds of Hope Organization for their generosity.

CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH MORGAN SANITATION: Mayor Thomas presented the new contract from Morgan Sanitation to the council for consideration. **Councilman Holt made a motion to accept the new contract with Morgan Sanitation with Councilwoman Daniel seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

KENTUCKY LEAGUE OF CITIES, PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE RENEWAL: Mayor Thomas asked Clerk Ramsey to present the new Property and Casualty contract from the Kentucky League of Cities to the council for consideration. **Councilwoman Daniel made a motion to accept the 2022-2023 KLC Property and Casualty Contract with Councilman Hudson seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

REACH ALERT SYSTEM: Mayor Thomas asked Clerk Ramsey to give an update on the alert system. Clerk Ramsey stated that the new system is helping citizens be better informed on happenings around the City of Russell Springs. Currently, we have approximately 241 individual users.

WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY: Mayor Thomas let the council know that he along with Russell County Judge Executive Gary Robertson, signed a proclamation asking citizens to care for the elders in our community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER KRS 61.810 (1)(b) – DISCUSSION OF THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF PROPERTY: Councilwoman Daniel made a motion to go into Executive Session under KRS 61.810

(1)(b) with Councilman Holt seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous. Executive Session started at 6:10 pm.

LEAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER KRS 61.810 (1)(b) – DISCUSSION OF THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF PROPERTY: Councilman Skaggs made a motion to exit Executive Session under KRS 61.810 (1)(b) with Councilwoman Daniel seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous. Executive Session ended at 7:22 pm. Mayor Thomas stated no action was taken during the Executive Session.

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Chief Pierce presented the police statistics for the month.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE: Mr. Coffey said he has several projects in development and things are looking good.

MAYOR'S UPDATE:

Mayor Thomas thanked all who worked the WHAS Crusade for Kids donation drive. This was a record-breaking year, collecting approximately \$11,506! Mayor Thomas was extremely happy to see so many council members working the event. Mayor Thomas noted that H.M. Bottom would be very proud!

Mayor Thomas thanked Ms. Daniel and the rest of the City Council for helping with the Russell County Highschool Baseball send off. Mayor Thomas said he had received a phone call from Superintendent Michael Ford thanking everyone that helped as well.

Mayor Thomas also thanked all employees and council members for working the City's booth at the Russell County Fair earlier this week.

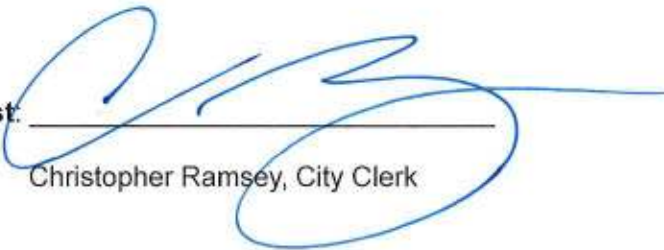
ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Skaggs made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Councilman Hudson seconding. All was in favor.

Signed: _____



Eddie Thomas, Mayor

Attest: _____



Christopher Ramsey, City Clerk