

RUSSELL SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024
6:00 P.M.

The Russell Springs City Council held its special called meeting on Thursday, May 16, 2024, 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, David Blakey, Cody Wilson, Sherry Daniel, and Lisa Mann, Police Chief Bryan Shepard, Director of Facilities & Maintenance Brian Stephens, City Attorney David Smith, Economic Development Director Jeramy Coffey, and City Clerk Christopher Ramsey.

The opening prayer was led by Councilman Timmy Hudson

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman David Blakey

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, Ms. Mann, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Daniel, Mr. Blakey, and Mr. Hudson.

MINUTES: Mayor Thomas presented the minutes from the previous meeting held on April 11th. **Councilman Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes, with Councilwoman Daniel seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

CASH DISBURSEMENTS & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Mayor Thomas submitted cash disbursements and financial statements for March 2024 to be approved. **Councilman Hudson made a motion to accept the cash disbursements and financial statements, with Councilman Wilson seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 2024-03 – ADOPTING ROCK QUARRY ROAD INTO THE CITY STREETS SYSTEM (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN BARNES): Clerk Ramsey read the ordinance in its entirety. **Councilman Barnes made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-03 as presented, with Councilman Wilson seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2024-04: BUDGET ORDINANCE FY 2024-2025 (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN BLAKEY). Clerk Ramsey read Ordinance 2024-04 Number in its entirety. Mr. Ramsey said he was waiting on the Kentucky League of Cities to send the Health Insurance and Property & Casualty Insurance renewal numbers before the budget could be broken down and applied to the correct department budgets. First reading, no action was taken.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2024-05: AMENDED BUDGET ORDINANCE FY 2023-2024 (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN WILSON). Clerk Ramsey read Ordinance 2024-05 Number in its entirety. First reading, no action was taken.

FIRST READ OF ORDINANCE 2024-06 (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN HUDSON): ADOPTION OF VOILS DRIVE, CAYDEN LANE, APRIL LANE, STEPHENS COURT, AND LEE ROAD. First reading, no action was taken.

RESOLUTION 2024-07: ACCEPTANCE OF MUNICIPAL ROAD AID AGREEMENT 2024-2025 – Clerk Ramsey read the entire resolution. **Councilman Barnes made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-07 as presented, with Councilwoman Mann seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

RESOLUTION 2024-08: LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND GRANT (PAR 3 GOLF COURSE): Mayor Thomas asked Clerk Ramsey to read the resolution. Clerk Ramsey performed the reading. Mayor Thomas explained that this resolution is to apply for grant funds for a Par 3 Golf Course. **Councilman Blakey made a motion to accept Resolution 2024-08 as presented, with Councilwoman Mann seconding. Voting yes: Barnes, Blakey, Hudson, Mann, Daniel. Voting no: Wilson. Motion Carried 5-1.**

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2024-01: AN AMENDMENT TO MUNICIPAL ORDER 2023-03 SECTION 3.4 (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN DANIEL): Clerk Ramsey read the Municipal Order and explained this municipal order was to update the city's personal policy. Councilwoman Mann made a motion to adopt Municipal Order 2024-01 with Councilman Blakey seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Police Chief Bryan Shepard presented the monthly activities report to the council.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE: Representatives from Bargain Hunt gave an update to those present about their store.

CLERK'S UPDATE: Clerk Ramsey let the council know that per city ordinance, he planned on advertising a listing of outstanding property tax list for 2023 in the local paper. Mr. Ramsey said that per KRS he was required to publish the list for three consecutive weeks.

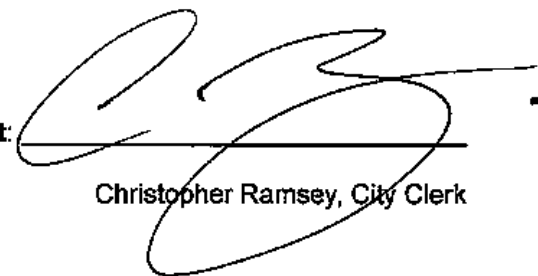
MAYOR'S UPDATE: Mayor Thomas gave a brief Mayor's update on the following items:

- Pool will be opening on Memorial Day weekend.
- The Splash Pad project is coming along, and we are hoping it will also be open around Memorial Day.
- Crusade for Kids will also be Memorial Day weekend. If any council members would like to participate, please let Mr. Ramsey or Mr. Barnett.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Blakey moved to adjourn the meeting, with Councilman Wilson seconding. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Signed: 

Eddie Thomas, Mayor

Attest: 
Christopher Ramsey, City Clerk