

RUSSELL SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2025  
6:00 P.M.

The Russell Springs City Council held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Room at Russell Springs City Hall. Those in attendance were Mayor Eddie Thomas; Council Members: Timmy Hudson, Lance Huckaby, Ricky Barnes, and Gary Frost; Police Chief Bryan Shepard, Economic Development Director Jeramy Coffey, and City Clerk Christopher Ramsey.

The opening prayer was led by Councilman Hudson

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Police Chief Bryan Shepard

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

**ROLL CALL:** City Clerk Christopher Ramsey performed the roll call. Present: Mr. Frost, Mr. Huckaby, Mr. Barnes, and Mr. Hudson. Absent: Ms. Daniel and Mr. Wilson

**MINUTES:** Mayor Thomas presented the minutes from the previous meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup> for approval. **Councilman Barnes 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 January 2025 to be approved. **Councilman Frost made a motion to accept the cash disbursements and financial statements, with Councilman Barnes seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

**SWEET PEA FLORIST:** Ms. Karen Boon wanted to let everyone know that she recently started a business inside the City of Russell Springs on Maple Street. She opened at the end of January and thanked everyone for their support and positive comments on the opening. Mayor Thomas and the Council welcomed her to the community and wished her luck.

**RUSSELL SPRINGS ANCHOR AWARD:** Mayor Thomas presented the award to Ms. Brenda Higginbotham for all she has done for the community. Ms. Higginbotham thanked Mayor Thomas for the award.

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2025-01: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING DEERVIEW LANE INTO THE CITY STREET SYSTEM (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN BARNES):** At Mayor Thomas' request, Clerk Ramsey presented the second reading of Ordinance 2025-01. Mayor Thomas said street lights have already been added to Deerview Lane. **Councilman Barnes made a motion to accept Ordinance 2025-01 as presented, with Councilman Hudson seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2025-02: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING GREEN RIDGE DRIVE IN THE CITY STREET SYSTEM (SPONSORED BY COUNCILWOMAN DANIEL):** At Mayor Thomas' request, Clerk Ramsey presented the second reading of Ordinance 2025-02. **Councilman Frost made a motion to accept Ordinance 2025-02 as presented, with Councilman Barnes seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2025-03: AN ORDINANCE REGULATING UNIFORM MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE MANUFACTURE, TRANSPORTATION, STORAGE, AND USE OF EXPLOSIVES (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN HUDSON):** At Mayor Thomas' request, Clerk Ramsey presented the second reading of Ordinance 2025-03. **Councilman Hudson made a motion to accept Ordinance 2025-03 as presented, with Councilman Barnes seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2025-04: AN ORDINANCE OF CONSENSUAL ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY IN THE FRENCH VALLEY ROAD AREA.** At Mayor Thomas' request, Clerk Ramsey presented the first reading of Ordinance 2025-04.

**MUNICIPAL ORDER 2025-01: AN AMENDMENT TO MUNICIPAL ORDER 2024-05 REINVESTMENTS FROM CDS TO WATER/SEWER MAINTENANCE FUND ACCOUNT (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN HUDSON).** At Mayor Thomas' request, Clerk Ramsey presented Municipal Order 2025-01 to the City Council. **Councilman Frost made a motion to adopt Municipal Order 2025-01 as presented, with Councilman Huckaby**

**seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

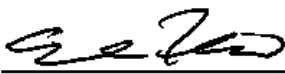
**POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE:** Chief Shepard presented the February activities report to the council.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE:** Mr. Coffey presented the February activities report to the council. He said that he had filled out 3 RFIs and had several calls during the month. Mr. Coffey stated that the Shogun building bid process will begin in March.

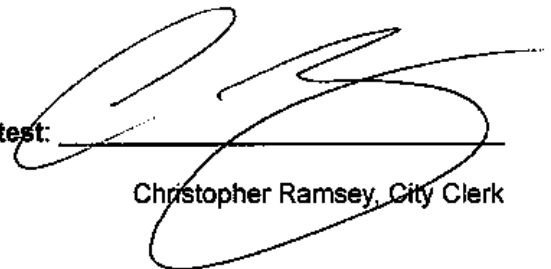
**MAYOR'S UPDATE:**

- Mr. Coffey and Mayor Thomas recently went to Frankfort to meet with our representative Mr. Josh Branscum and Senator Rick Girdler, along with other state representatives/senators, hoping to land some grant opportunities.
- Mr. Coffey and Mayor Thomas just got back from Washington, D.C., yesterday after meeting with the Kentucky delegation, Senator McConnell, Senator Paul, Congressman Rogers, Congressman Comer, Congressman Barr, Congressman McGarvey, and Congressman Guthrie. Mayor Thomas felt they successfully laid the groundwork for future fire and infrastructure grants. Mr. Coffey said he also felt excellent about their meetings.
- Shogun Truck will be setting behind the Five Star Property that the city owns during the summer.

**ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Barnes moved to adjourn the meeting, with Councilman Frost seconding. Unanimous. Motion Carried.**

Signed:  \_\_\_\_\_

Eddie Thomas, Mayor

Attest:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Ramsey, City Clerk