

IRVINGTON CITY COUNCIL
109 W CAROLINE ST. IRVINGTON, KY 40146
LGEA/ROAD AID PUBLIC HEARING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 2, 2025
7:00 PM ET/6:00 PM CT

CALL TO ORDER: LGEA/ROAD AID PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor, Charles Douglas Lucas called the LGEA and Road Aid public hearing to order at 7:00 pm ET and opened the floor for discussion.

ADJOURN:

Since no one addressed the Council about the use of the LGEA and Road Aid Funds, Councilman, Robert Young III moved to adjourn the public hearing at 7:05 pm ET and Councilman, Billy Snyder seconded. All members present voting Aye, motion carried.

CALL TO ORDER: REGULAR MEETING

Mayor, Charles Douglas Lucas called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:05 pm ET. Prayer was led by Brother Layman Lucas from Irvington Cumberland Presbyterian, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Council Members present included: Robert Young III, Rhea Ballman, Jonathan Mattingly, Joey Medley, Jonathan Smith and Billy Snyder. Others present included: City Clerk, Sherrie Lawson, Ints Kampars with WXBC and Morgan Fillmore with The Herald News. City Attorney, Luke Babb was absent.

PRESENTATION: BLUEGRASS ENGINEERING

Paul Reynolds was absent.

MINUTES: MAY 5, 2025

Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman made a motion to approve the May 5, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes as submitted by City Clerk, Sherrie Lawson. Councilman, Billy Snyder seconded. All members present voting aye, motion carried unanimously.

CITY CLERK/TREASURER REPORTS

City Clerk/Treasurer, Sherrie Lawson presented the Treasurer's May Financial Report for the Council's review and the Clerk's report (see attachment for details).

City Clerk/Treasurer, Sherrie Lawson reported a total Meade Co RECC Collections for May of \$39,380.67. There were 9 City Stickers sold during May, and the total for the year (Oct-May) was 249. There were 9 Business Licenses sold during the month of May and 62 Business Licenses sold for the year (Oct-May).

Overtime Report: May Total Hours: 81:20 hours

City Hall :34 minutes, Operation/Maintenance 16:16 hours, Waste/Water 0 hours and Police Department 64:30 hours. Total Overtime for the Year 369:40 hours.

The May 19th Special Called Meeting was canceled due to a lack of quorum, but we did have a workshop and discussed City Business. We also received the new FY2026 insurance polices and the rates totaled \$80,140.26 for the year.

BUSINESS LICENSE APPROVAL

Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman moved to approve the four new business licenses as submitted by City Clerk, Sherrie Lawson: A&B Sheeran Properties, Dixie Plumbing & Heating, Action Compaction Solutions and Simply Shine Pressure Washing. Councilman, Jonathan Mattingly seconded. All members present voting aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT

Public Works Director, Chris Lucas stated that they had cleaned out the fence line at the Eva Carman park, started mowing and weed eating around the coal tipple along with the other mowing and spraying, and picked up trash on the roads.

CEDAR HILL CEMETERY

Mayor, Charles Douglas Lucas reported that no plots had been purchased this month.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

Police Chief, Jason Ballman informed the council that some vacation time and in-service training was scheduled in the up-coming weeks which would cause some overtime for the police department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief, Jeremy Hougland was absent.

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL

Park Manager, Joe Drake stated that the flag poles had been taken down to be sand blasted and painted and were not done.

VANCE SIMMONS PARK

Park Manager, Joe Drake stated that parking lot and other areas of the park needed to be sprayed. Public Works Director, Chris Lucas added that Patrick McFadden was currently spraying the city properties.

EVA CARMAN PARK

Park Manager, William Ditto was absent, however, City Clerk Lawson added that Mr. Ditto wanted the council informed of the huge success on May 31st Dr. Eva Carman Day. Judge Executive, Maurice Lucas and Mayor, Charles Douglas Lucas both spoke at the event and read Proclamations honoring Dr. Carman to a crowd of approximately 125 attendees including some of Dr. Carman's family members.

VISITORS REQUEST AND COMMENTS

Ms. Jane Perks addressed the council about her rooster "Ruthus" which she has had for many years. She added that the Code Enforcement Officer had stopped by her home to inform her that roosters were not allowed in city limits due to the passing of a new ordinance pertaining to chickens. After some explanation, the CEO, Kristie Taul recommended that Ms. Perks attend a council meeting and address the council about the new ordinance prohibiting roosters in the city limits. After much discussion, the council agreed to look into the matter with the city attorney since the ordinance passed making it legal and binding.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Maintenance Project Bids: Mayor Lucas informed the Council that no one had submitted any bids for repairs on the old jail roof; Eva Carman concession stand siding and/or the Cedar Hill Cemetery Cross. After some discussion, the council agreed to advertise for a few weeks on social media.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance 2024-5, First Reading FY2024-2025 Budget Amendment: Mayor Lucas read ordinance 2024-5 in its entirety to the council members.
- B. Ordinance 2025-5, First Reading FY2025-2026 Budget: Mayor Lucas read ordinance 2025-5 in its entirety to the council members.
- C. Mayor Charles Douglas added that June 19th (Juneteeth) was by Executive Order a paid holiday for the city employees and the office would be closed.

ANNOUCEMENT

Mayor Lucas announced that there was a Juneteeth Celebration at Eva Carman Park scheduled for Saturday, June 14th and a Fireworks display on Saturday, June 28th. He invited everyone to come out and celebrate.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman moved to adjourn this meeting and Councilman, Billy Snyder seconded. Motion carried by unanimous consent and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:49 pm ET.

CHARLES DOUGLAS LUCAS, MAYOR

ATTEST _____
SHERRIE LAWSON, CITY CLERK/TREASURER