

IRVINGTON CITY COUNCIL
109 W CAROLINE ST. IRVINGTON, KY 40146
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 6, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: REGULAR MEETING

Mayor, Charles Douglas Lucas called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:03 pm ET. Prayer was led by Pastor, David Buckhan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Council Members present included: Robert Young III, Rhea Ballman, Joey Medley, Billy Synder and City Attorney, Luke Babb. Council Members absent included: Jonathan Smith and Jonathan Mattingly. Others present included: City Clerk, Sherrie Lawson and Ints Kampars with WXBC.

PRESENTATION: BLUEGRASS ENGINEERING

Bluegrass Engineer, Paul Reynolds informed the Council that he had received a couple of quotes from Currens Construction for two separate repairs on the glass-lined water tank. The first one was a temporary repair to the exterior. The second quote was an extensive rehabilitation of both inside and outside of the tank which would take longer to complete. Reynolds added that the remaining balance of \$33,238.27 of the KIA funds would cover the cost of the repairs. After much explanation and discussion on the two repairs, the Council agreed that the weather could be an issue this late in the season. Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman made a motion to approve Currens Construction's quote of \$5,925.00 to seal the exterior of the glass-lined water tank. Councilman, Joey Medley seconded. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Reynolds gave an update on the Breck United Industrial Park US 60 Water Main and Sewer Extension projects. Breck United had requested changes to the sewer extension design to increase the total capacity. Reynolds added that an amendment to increase the Engineer fees of \$15,500 for the additional services needed to be approved by the Council. Reynolds stated that he was working on two easements for the project.

Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman moved to approve the amendment of \$15,500 for additional services to the contract. Councilman, Billy Snyder seconded. All members present voting aye. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES: September 2nd REGULAR AND September 18th SPECIAL CALLED

Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman made a motion to approve the September 2nd Regular and September 18th Special Called 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 September Financial Report to the Council for review.

City Clerk/Treasurer, Sherrie Lawson reported that a total of \$43,278.34 was collected for Meade CO RECC during September. There were five new Business Licenses sold during the month of September and 69 Business Licenses were sold for the year (Oct - Sept).

September Overtime Report: Total Hours: 63:36 hours

City Hall :31 mins, Operation/Maintenance 3:35 hours, Waste/Water 0 hours and Police Department 59:30 hours. Total Overtime for the Year 651:09 hours. Police Department 429:12, Operation/Maintenance 181:05, City Hall 20:30, and Wastewater 20:22.

Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman moved to approve the five new business licenses: The Sheild Company, Dad's Salvage, Rice Contracting LLC, PM Services and Plemmon's Excavating. Councilman, Billy Snyder seconded. All members present voting aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT:

Public Works Superintendent, Chris Lucas stated that they have been mowing, spraying for weeds and cutting out more of the over grown cane. They repaired two water leaks, installed 1 new water meter and picked up trash on the roads. Lucas added that they have been working more at the plant and on an air-line. Lucas submitted two quotes from Pool's Tree and Crane Service to remove the two trees that were discussed at the last meeting. Trimming, grinding the brush, grinding the stump and complete removal of the tree located at 610 West Maple Street in the amount of \$3,600.00. Also, the complete removal of the tree located at 111 East Walnut Street behind the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in the amount of \$3,850.00. After some discussion, Councilman, Billy Snyder moved to approve the two quotes submitted by Pool's Tree and Crane Service totaling \$7,450.00. Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman seconded. All members present voting aye. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Lucas authorized Superintendent Lucas to schedule the removals of the trees.

CEDAR HILL CEMETERY:

Mayor, Charles Douglas Lucas stated that two plots were sold this month.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT:

Police Chief, Jason Ballman stated that the police department was currently in stage two of the hiring process and the overtime should be a lot less.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief, Jeremy Hougland stated that the fire department responded to several runs during the past month. Chief Hougland added that he had been questioned about the funding of the new fire truck. He stated that the new fire truck was purchased with the fire department state aid funds. No city funds were included in the purchase. The truck will be sent to the shop for lettering next week. Also, Fire Safety Week at the school was a huge success.

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL:

Park Manager, Joe Drake was absent. City Clerk, Sherrie Lawson gave an update on the Veteran's Memorial Park. Mr. Drake was working on getting the flag poles painted. He also wanted to thank the operation and maintenance crew for the removal of the old shrubs and remind the crew to remove the excess gravel from the area. His plans were to get these projects completed before the Veteran's Event in November.

VANCE SIMMONS PARK:

Park Manager, Joe Drake was absent.

EVA CARMAN PARK:

Park Manager, William Ditto stated the Eva Carman Foundation was hosting Trunk or Treat on October 31st from 5:00 to 8:00 pm ET.

VISITORS REQUEST AND COMMENTS:**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Update, East Maple drainage issue: City Clerk, Sherrie Lawson asked about the progress on East Maple Street. She added that Darrell Priest had stopped by City Hall asking for the information. Public Works Director, Chris Lucas stated that he would check on the progress.

- B. Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman asked if any quotes were submitted on the Cedar Hill Cemetery Cross repairs. Mayor Lucas stated that several people inquired about the repairs, but no one had submitted a quote.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Ordinance Discussion, Soliciting: Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman expressed her concerns about solicitation in the neighborhoods. She encouraged the Council to consider passing an ordinance to address the recent soliciting issue. No action was taken.
- B. Ordinance Discussion, Golf Cart and SPV: City Clerk, Sherrie Lawson passed out the City's Golf Cart Ordinance and several other packets of information pertaining to the new Special Purpose Vehicle laws. She asked the Council to review the information and consider amending the Golf Cart Ordinance to include the Special Purpose Vehicles. No action was taken.
- C. Since Halloween fell on Friday this year, the Council agreed to set the Trick or Treat hours for the City of Irvington from 5:00 to 9:00 pm ET Friday, October 31st. Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman moved to approve the scheduled hours as agreed. Councilman, Billy Snyder seconded. All member present voted aye. Motion Carried.
- D. Credit Card Update: City Clerk Lawson explained that the current credit card account did not have the current staff listed. Councilwoman, Rhea Ballman moved to have the account updated to remove the current names and add Mayor, Charles Lucas, City Clerk, Sherrie Lawson and Assistant Clerk, Kristie Taul. Councilman, Joey Medley seconded. All members present voting aye. Motion Carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

- A. The next Code Enforcement Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 15th, at 6:00 pm ET at Irvington City Hall.
- B. Fire Department Fall House Decorating Contest is currently underway all interested participants can contact the Fire Department for details.
- C. Traveling Vietnam Wall on display at the Courthouse Oct 30th – Nov 3rd
- D. Irvington Veteran's Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, Nov 8th at 11:00 ET with refreshments to follow at the Depot.
- E. Santa at the Depot Nov 22nd from 1:00 to 5:30 pm ET
- F. Irvington Christmas Parade Nov 22nd at 6:00 pm ET
- G. Santa in Irvington Dec 20th.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Billy Snyder moved to adjourn this meeting. Councilman, Joey Medley seconded. Motion carried by unanimous consent. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:28 pm ET.

CHARLES DOUGLAS LUCAS, MAYOR

ATTEST _____
SHERRIE LAWSON, CITY CLERK/TREASURER