

**City Council Meeting  
City of Richmond Heights  
June 9, 2009**

Council President, David Roche, called the meeting to order at 8:42 PM

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call:

Present: Alexander, Henry, Gambatese, Keyerleber, Morgan, O'Toole, Roche

Consent Agenda for Tonight:

- Minutes from City Council Meeting of May 26, 2009

Motion to accept the Consent Agenda by Morgan, seconded by Gambatese.

Motion passed 7-0.

**REPORTS:**

Mayor Ursu: This evening, we will have graduates of the Mediation program from the Cultural Commission with us. Col. Carter was the leader and executive of this program. He also thanked Gambatese, Marilyn Wilson and Chief Rowe for their help on this. This will help to have for something in place to help neighbors get along and deal with situations that arise. He said he was very pleased to have 14 residents come forward to be trained. He said he would hand out the certificates at the end of the meeting, followed by a reception.

Fire Chief Cek: YTD 590 alarms, 467 EMS, which is 78% of the volume, 56 double and triple alarms, MABAS 20 times and 30 calls to outside cities.

Police Chief Rowe: Congratulated the residents who have volunteered in this Mediation Program. This is a good, qualified group to serve out residents.

Building Commissioner, Rodic: The Building Dept has issued 80 permits in the month of May, and 4 were for new homes. The street side housing inspection is active on the streets of Karl, Catlin and Jeanette and will soon begin to follow up on inspections. Trebisky Woods is currently in the process of cutting their tall grass complaints and Richmond Reserve and Highland Ridge are due to begin soon.

Todd Hunt added that he has communicated facts about landscaping and growth to the Highland Ridge development.

Finance Director, Rossiter: Working on 2 possible grants for neighborhood stabilization and an off-shoot of the CBDG grant, due July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Each offers the possibility of \$500K, and she has been in conversation with Lee Courtney on these grants.

Development Director, Lee Gase: Nothing tonight.

Service Director, Lazar: -excused-

City Engineer, Lee Courtney: Wrapping up the road program right now.

Recreation Director, Drda: The pool opened last Friday, and we are working on starting up the summer camps this coming week.

**Audience:**

Scott Radway, 4881 Highland Place Court:

He is from the Homeowners Assoc and asked if they can have recycling on the street. He invited Ward 4 Councilman, Mark Alexander to their block party on July 18<sup>th</sup> at 2pm.

**OLD BUSINESS:** -none-

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE NO.: 29-2009, INTRODUCED BY GAMBATESE, FIRST READING**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART 15, FIRE PREVENTION CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO ADOPT REGULATIONS RELATED TO FIREWORKS; AND DELCARING AN EMERGENCY.

- MOTION WAS MADE BY O'TOOLE AND SECONDED BY ALEXANDER TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE AS PROVIDED IN SEC. 121.22 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE. THE MOTION PASSED 7-0.
- MOTION WAS MADE BY GAMBATESE, SECONDED BY HENRY TO PASS ORDINANCE NO.: 29-2009. THE MOTION PASSED 7-0.

ADDITIONS: -none-

CORRESPONDENCE: -none-

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Morgan, seconded by Henry to adjourn this June 9, 2009 City Council Meeting at 9:00 PM

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Betsy Traben, Clerk of Council

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David H. Roche, Council President

\* After the meeting, the Mayor presented the graduation certificates to the Mediation Program Graduates