



AGENDA

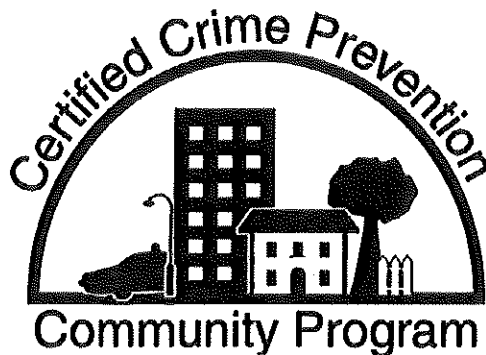
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Richlands Town Hall
May 12, 2026
6:00 P.M.

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Invocation
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Additions/Deletions to Agenda
- V. Authorization to Pay Bills (April)
- VI. Minutes-
 - a. March 10, 2026- Regular Scheduled Meeting
- VII. Scheduled Public Comments (5 Minute Max)
- VIII. Unscheduled Public Comments (3 Minute Max)
- IX. Agenda Items
 - a. Recognition of the RHS Wrestling Team
 - b. Recognition of the RHS Model General Assembly
 - c. Recognition of the JROTC
 - d. Certified Crime Prevention Community Resolution- Chief Holt
 - e. Budget Discussion
 - f. IDEA Appointments
 - g. Board of Zoning Appeal Appointment
 - h. Planning Commission
- X. Finance Director Report
- XI. Monthly Financial Report

- XII. Attorney Report
 - a. O-2026-06-01- First Presentment
 - b. O-2026-06-02- First Presentment
 - c. O-2026-06-03- First Presentment
 - d. O-2026-06-04- First Presentment
 - e. O-2026-06-05- First Presentment
 - f. O-2026-06-06- First Presentment
 - g. O-2026-06-07- First Presentment
- XIII. Town Manager Report
- XIV. Council Members Report
 - a. Seth White
 - b. Gary Jackson
 - c. Rick Wood
 - d. Jordan Bales
 - e. Jan White
 - f. Laura Mollo
- XV. Mayor's Comments
- XVI. Executive Closed Session
 - VA Code Section 2.2-3711 (A)(6) Contract Negotiations :
 - 1. Reviewing Legal RFP
- XVII. Adjourn Meeting

Next Regular Meeting is June 9, 2026.



RESOLUTION OF PARTICIPATION

WHEREAS, The governing body of _____ is interested in the safety and security of its citizenry and the community at large; and,

WHEREAS, The governing body is prepared to support appropriate efforts within the community to become totally prepared to promote crime prevention and community safety; and,

WHEREAS, The Department of Criminal Justice Services offers a program which is specifically designed to recognize Virginia communities committed to crime prevention and community safety while providing a framework for those communities to institutionalize crime prevention at the local level; and,

WHEREAS, This program is entitled the Certified Crime Prevention Community Program,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the _____ That our community, _____ wishes to participate in the Certified Crime Prevention Community Program, and that the leadership of this community fully supports all reasonable efforts to meet the DCJS requirements to become designated as a Certified Crime Prevention Community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the program requires the existence or formation of a local community crime prevention/community safety council or coalition, and this governing body designates the _____ as representing our community for the purpose or participating in this program.

This resolution is in full effect upon its adoption this ____ day of _____, 20__

SEAL:

Official

Title

Attest

Title

Certified Crime Prevention Community Program

Background & Description

In 1998 an Executive Order created the New Partnership Commission for Community Safety, charged with the responsibility of advising the Governor on new initiatives to “promote community safety, particularly youth and family safety.” The Commission worked diligently to assess the needs of localities across the Commonwealth and assist them in addressing their individual community safety issues.

The Commission asked the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) to recommend programs that foster the development of community safety initiatives at the local level. DCJS proposed, and the Commission approved, the Certified Crime Prevention Community Program. Based on a study conducted by the Virginia State Crime Commission in 1993, the goal of the program is to publicly recognize and certify localities that have implemented a defined set of community safety strategies as part of a comprehensive community safety/crime prevention effort.

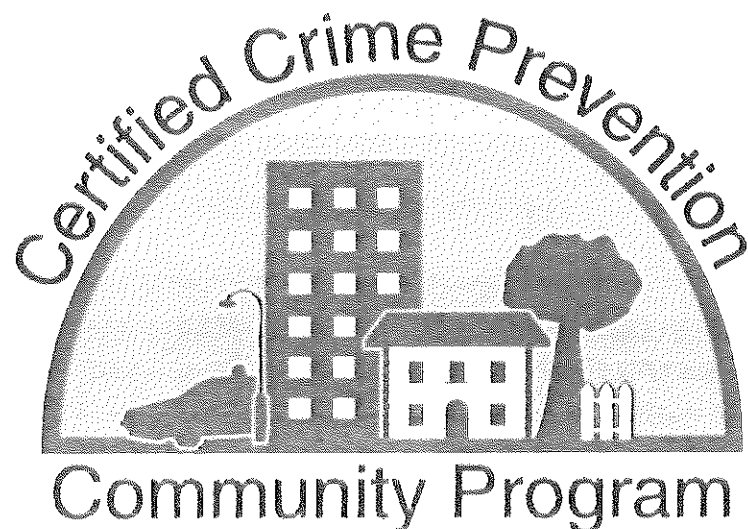
One of the first of its kind in the nation, the program encourages localities to develop and implement collaborative community safety plans within a flexible framework designed by the Commission. Furthermore, it provides an ongoing process by which communities can reassess and update their plans to address emerging community safety issues. To obtain certification, a locality must meet 12 core community safety elements/strategies augmented by a minimum of seven approved optional elements. DCJS runs and monitors the program.

Incentives for Localities

- The Certified Crime Prevention Community Program makes Virginia a national leader in community safety by establishing a benchmark that local communities can meet in terms of providing for the safety of their citizens. It sends a clear signal to criminals that criminal behavior will not be tolerated. We believe that this program is still unique in the nation.
- Participation in the Certified Crime Prevention Community Program gives a community preference in the state criminal justice grant application process.

- The Certified Crime Prevention Community designation can be used as a marketing tool to attract families, tourists, businesses, conference planners, and others interested in finding a safe location in which to live and work.
- Crime Prevention Community designation can be used to seek premium reductions from insurance companies for policyholders living in a certified community. Premium reductions are already available for things such as deadbolt locks and security systems.
- The Certified Crime Prevention Community designation can enhance the professionalism of city or county management and local law enforcement agencies by showing that the locality can meet rigorous standards related to community safety.

In 2025, the Richlands Police Department began the initial steps to become a Certified Crime Prevention Community.



Richlands Commission and Board Membership List

Planning Commission

	<u>Term of Office</u>
Greg Horn	06-30-2026
Chester Price	06-30-2028
Brandon Hensley	06-30-2028
Michelle Elswick- Secretary	06-30-2028
Barry Alley, Chairman	06-30-2026
Town Manager	Concurrent with employment
Gary Jackson, Council Member	Concurrent with council term

Meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Richlands Town Hall. 4-year terms.

Industrial/Economic Development Authority Members

	<u>Term of Office</u>
Lynna Mitchell-Vice Chairman	6-30-2028
Brandon Buskill	6-30-2026 Resigned Chair
Jeff Casey	6-30-2029
Michael Bales-Treasurer	6-30-2029
Joseph Vance-Chairman	6-30-2026
Craig Earls- Secretary	6-30-2027
Cody Harmon	6-30-2028

Meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Richlands Town Hall. 4-year terms.

Zoning Board of Appeals

	<u>Term of Office</u>
Gene Hurst - Chairman	06-30-2028
Bill Patton	06-30-2028
George Glayde Brown II	06-30-2029
Greg Horn	06-30-2030
Phillip Cook	06-30-2027

Meets as needed at the Richlands Town Hall. 5-year terms

ORDINANCE NO.: O-2026-06-01

Amendment to Existing Ordinance

TITLE V: PUBLIC WORKS

CHAPTER 50: UTILITY SCHEDULES AND RIDERS

GARBAGE AND CONTAINER FEES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, that it hereby enacts the following change to the Code of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, pursuant to §15.2-928 of the Virginia Code and §50.13 of the Richlands Town Code, to amend the garbage rates as follows:

(A) Rates

	Garbage Rates
Commercial 1 day pickup per week	\$19.16
Commercial 2 day pickup per week	\$33.83
Commercial 3 day pickup per week	\$48.49
Commercial 5 day pickup per week	\$77.81
Residential in town	\$16.00
Residential out of town	\$18.01

All Container Charges will remain the same.

(B) Effective. Bills rendered after July 1, 2026.

First Presentment: _____

Second Presentment: _____

On ____ day of _____, 2026, A motion was made by _____, and seconded by _____, for adoption of such ordinance as presented.

VOTE: Bales _____
 Jackson _____
 Mollo _____
 J. White _____
 S. White _____
 Wood _____

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Rodney D. Cury, Mayor

Amanda Beheler, Clerk

Effective Date (30 days from passage, unless passed as emergency):

ORDINANCE NO.: O-2026-06-02*Amendment to Existing Ordinance*

TITLE V: PUBLIC WORKS
CHAPTER 50: UTILITY SCHEDULES AND RIDERS
WATER AND SEWER RATES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, that it hereby enacts the following change to the Code of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, pursuant to §15.2-2119 of the Virginia Code and §50.12 of the Richlands Town Code, to amend the water and sewer rates as follows:

(A) Rates

In Town Water Rates				
Water Meter Size in Inches	Water Meter Type	Monthly Minimum Charge Each Meter Size	Usage Allowance in Gallons	Unit Charge per 1,000 Gallons
0.625	Displacement/Ultrasonic	\$13.29	0	\$8.41
0.750	Displacement/Ultrasonic	\$13.29	0	\$8.41

Out of Town Water Rates				
Water Meter Size in Inches	Water Meter Type	Monthly Minimum Charge Each Meter Size	Usage Allowance in Gallons	Unit Charge per 1,000 Gallons
0.625	Displacement/Ultrasonic	\$17.44	0	\$9.51
0.750	Displacement/Ultrasonic	\$17.44	0	\$9.51

All other Water Rates for in Town and Out of Town will remain the same.

In Town Sewer Rates				
Water Meter Size in Inches	Water Meter Type	Monthly Minimum Charge Each Meter Size	Usage Allowance in Gallons	Unit Charge per 1,000 Gallons
0.625	Displacement/Ultrasonic	\$22.01	0	\$11.42
0.750	Displacement/Ultrasonic	\$22.01	0	\$11.42

Out of Town Sewer Rates				
Water Meter Size in Inches	Water Meter Type	Monthly Minimum Charge Each Meter Size	Usage Allowance in Gallons	Unit Charge per 1,000 Gallons
0.625	Displacement/Ultrasonic	\$29.35	0	\$13.86
0.750	Displacement/Ultrasonic	\$29.35	0	\$13.86

All other Sewer Rates for in Town and Out of Town will remain the same.

(B) Effective. Bills rendered after July 1, 2026.

First Presentment: _____

Second Presentment: _____

On ____ day of _____, 2026, A motion was made by _____, and seconded by _____, for adoption of such ordinance as presented.

VOTE:

Bales	_____
Jackson	_____
Mollo	_____
J. White	_____
S. White	_____
Wood	_____

Rodney D. Cury, Mayor

Amanda Beheler, Clerk

Effective Date (30 days from passage):

ORDINANCE NO.: O-2026-06-03

Amendment to Existing Ordinance

TITLE V: PUBLIC WORKS

CHAPTER 50: UTILITY SCHEDULES AND RIDERS

SCHEDULE R.S. RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC SERVICE CODE E05.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, that it hereby enacts the following change to the Code of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, pursuant to § 2.3(7) of the Richlands Charter and §50.03 of the Richlands Town Code, to amend the electric rates as follows:

(A) *This Section remains unchanged*

(B) Monthly rate.

Customer charge	\$16.00 per month
Energy and fuel charge	
All kWH	\$0.20707 per KWH

(C) *Sections C-J remain unchanged.*

(K) *Effective.* Bills rendered after July 1, 2026.

First Presentment: _____

Second Presentment: _____

On ____ day of _____, 2026, A motion was made by _____, and seconded by _____, for adoption of such ordinance as presented.

VOTE: Bales _____
 Jackson _____
 Mollo _____
 J. White _____
 S. White _____
 Wood _____

Rodney D. Cury, Mayor

Amanda Beheler, Clerk

Effective Date (*30 days from passage*):

ORDINANCE NO.: O-2026-06-04

Amendment to Existing Ordinance

TITLE V: PUBLIC WORKS

CHAPTER 50: UTILITY SCHEDULES AND RIDERS

SCHEDULE S.W.S. SANCTUARY WORSHIP SERVICE CODE E051.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, that it hereby enacts the following change to the Code of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, pursuant to § 2.3(7) of the Richlands Charter and §50.04 of the Richlands Town Code, to amend the electric rates as follows:

(A) *This Section remains unchanged*

(B) Monthly rate.

Customer charge	\$16.80 per month
Energy and fuel charge	
All kWH	\$0.21786 per KWH

(C) *Sections C-J remain unchanged.*

(K) *Effective.* Billed rendered after July 1, 2026.

First Presentment: _____

Second Presentment: _____

On ____ day of _____, 2026, A motion was made by _____, and seconded by _____, for adoption of such ordinance as presented.

VOTE: Bales _____
 Jackson _____
 Mollo _____
 J. White _____
 S. White _____
 Wood _____

Rodney D. Cury, Mayor

Amanda Beheler, Clerk

Effective Date (*30 days from passage*):

ORDINANCE NO.: O-2026-06-05
Amendment to Existing Ordinance

TITLE V: PUBLIC WORKS
CHAPTER 50: UTILITY SCHEDULES AND RIDERS
SCHEDULE S.G.S. SMALL GENERAL SERVICE CODE E08, E09.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, that it hereby enacts the following change to the Code of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, pursuant to § 2.3(7) of the Richlands Charter and §50.05 of the Richlands Town Code, to amend the electric rates as follows:

(A) *This Section remains unchanged*

(B) Monthly rate.

Customer charge	\$18.30 per month
Energy and fuel charge	
All kWH	\$0.20362 per KWH

(C) *Sections C-J remain unchanged.*

(K) *Effective.* Bills rendered after July 1, 2026.

First Presentment: _____

Second Presentment: _____

On ____ day of _____, 2026, A motion was made by _____, and seconded by _____, for adoption of such ordinance as presented.

VOTE:	Bales	_____
	Jackson	_____
	Mollo	_____
	J. White	_____
	S. White	_____
	Wood	_____

Rodney D. Cury, Mayor

Amanda Beheler, Clerk

Effective Date (30 days from passage):

ORDINANCE NO.: O-2026-06-06

Amendment to Existing Ordinance

TITLE V: PUBLIC WORKS

CHAPTER 50: UTILITY SCHEDULES AND RIDERS

SCHEDULE L.G.S. LARGE GENERAL SERVICE CODE E01.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, that it hereby enacts the following change to the Code of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, pursuant to § 2.3(7) of the Richlands Charter and §50.06 of the Richlands Town Code, to amend the electric rates as follows:

(A) *This Section remains unchanged*

(B) Monthly rate.

Customer charge	\$220.10 per month
Demand charge	
All kW of demand	\$16.13296 per kW
Energy and fuel charge	
All kWH	\$0.1539 per KWH

(C) *Sections C-M remain unchanged.*

(N) *Effective.* Bills rendered after July 1, 2026.

First Presentment: _____

Second Presentment: _____

On ____ day of _____, 2026, A motion was made by _____, and seconded by _____, for adoption of such ordinance as presented.

VOTE:

Bales	_____
Jackson	_____
Mollo	_____
J. White	_____
S. White	_____
Wood	_____

Rodney D. Cury, Mayor

Amanda Beheler, Clerk

Effective Date (30 days from passage):

ORDINANCE NO.: O-2026-05-07

Amendment to Existing Ordinance

TITLE V: PUBLIC WORKS

CHAPTER 50: UTILITY SCHEDULES AND RIDERS

SCHEDULE M.G.S. MEDIUM GENERAL SERVICE CODE E07.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, that it hereby enacts the following change to the Code of the Town of Richlands, Virginia, pursuant to § 2.3(7) of the Richlands Charter and §50.07 of the Richlands Town Code, to amend the electric rates as follows:

(A) *This Section remains unchanged*

(B) Monthly rate.

Customer charge	\$20 per month
Demand charge	
All kW of demand	\$4.83296 per kW
Energy and fuel charge	
All kWh	\$0.18676 per KWH

(C) *Sections C-K remain unchanged.*

(L) *Effective.* Bills rendered after July 1, 2026.

First Presentment: _____

Second Presentment: _____

On ____ day of _____, 2026, A motion was made by _____, and seconded by _____, for adoption of such ordinance as presented.

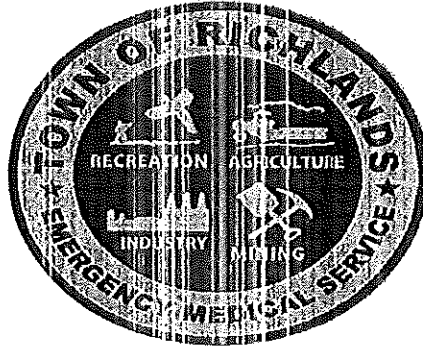
VOTE:

Bales	_____
Jackson	_____
Mollo	_____
J. White	_____
S. White	_____
Wood	_____

Rodney D. Cury, Mayor

Amanda Beheler, Clerk

Effective Date (30 days from passage):



Town of Richlands EMS

1800 Third St / 200 Washington Sq.

Richlands Va. 24641

Rescue Division Station #2

Station #2 Ph. # 276-329-6065

Fax# 276-963-3569

From The Desk Of:

EMS Director - Chief Matt Whited

Monthly Council Report For Council: Rescue Division

Month: April 2026 EMS Calls Total: 249

Year To Date EMS Calls Total: 971

Group

COUNT PCT

Cancelled	6	
Cancelled Enroute	12	
Cancelled on Scene / or Prior Response	14	
Treated transport by other EMS	1	
No Patient Found, No patient contact	11	
No Treatment Required	1	
Patient Dead at Scene -No Resuscitation Attempted (With Transport)	4	
Patient Refused Care	39	
Asst. Public, Standby, Standby no service, Asst. Agency	2	
Treated, Transported by EMS	159	
TOTAL	249	

Rescue Division Updates / News / Info: April 20th I applied to the Community Foundation of Virginia's for replacement – 1 Desktop Computer, 3 Tablets for EMS Call Sheet entry this was \$5,347.07 100% funding request should be awarded in Sept. 2026.



Richlands Fire Rescue

Monthly Report

April 2026

40- Total Calls

10-Town

30-County

13-MVC

6-Brush Fires

6-Smoke Alarms/CO Alarms

0-Reports of Smoke

0-Structure Fires

2-Vehicle Fire

3-Trees Down in Roadway

1-Road Hazards

4-Electrical Poles/ Power Lines

0-EMS Bake Ups

2-Oil Spill

2-Mutal Aid (Russell County)

0-Propane/Gas Leak

1- Traffic Control

Smoke Alarms Installed (8)

Co Alarms Installed (0)

Smoke Alarms given out (0)

CO Alarms Given Out (0)

We have completed the 2025/2026 Smoke Alarm Campaign, which gives us a total of 30 Smoke Alarms installed.

The past 2 years we have installed 75 smoke alarms and 20 CO2 alarms.



APRIL 2026 MONTHLY TRAFFIC SUMMARY

Speeding	4	Fail to Maintain Control of Vehicle	1
Fail to Obey Stop Sign	1	Fail to Yield Right of Way	1
Altered License Plates	1	Expired Registration	1
Improper Registration	2	Driving Without a License	1
Fail to Wear Seatbelt	1	Improper Lane Change	2
Fail to Display Front Tag	2	No Insurance	1
Driving Suspended	1	No Inspection	3
Defective Exhaust	1	No O.L. in Possession	1
Driving While Intoxicated	1		
WARNING- Fail to Obey Highway Sign	1	WARNING- Fail to Obey Traffic Light	1
WARNING- Use of Cell Phone While Driving	1	WARNING- Expired Registration	2
WARNING- Fail to Obey Stop Sign	2	WARNING- Speeding	5

TOTAL NUMBER TRAFFIC SUMMONS ISSUED: 25

ANIMAL CONTROL / ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS SUMMARY

Dog at Large/ Transported to Shelter	1		
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TOTAL NUMBER ANIMAL CONTROL / ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS ACTIONS: 1

COUNCIL REPORT

May 1, 2026

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026
APRIL 30, 2025 2,526

2,538 TOTAL CALLS THROUGH

INCREASE OF

12

TOTAL CALLS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2026
MONTH OF APRIL 2025 588

684 TOTAL CALLS FOR THE

INCREASE OF

96