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this vehicle for the winter months,” Minerich said.

Hires, departures, and retirements

The commission approved of several new hires following the departures and retirements from several key members of the city’s finance department. Logan Jean and Marshal Harris were hired to be assistant finance directors, while Tracy White was hired as the new senior clerk for the department.

The Richmond Police Department has hired Jarrett McKenzie as a new police officer. That will be contingent on his passing of background checks and passing a training course at the Department of Criminal

Justice Training.

A long time employee with the Golf Maintenance Department has retired. Marshall “Mop” Robinson, a turf grass equipment operator, served with the department since 1996.

“I’ve known (him) for probably 50 years. Him and his wife Jackie are wonderful people. I appreciate Mop’s dedication to Gibson Bay Golf Course. Because the beauty of that place, he was a big part of it. From landscaping to mowing, everything involved with it,” Minerich said.

Kenneth Foster, another longtime employee of the city, also resigned. He worked in the Public Works Department. He served the city for 37 years — first starting in 1989 working in the landfill.

“Kenny’s the type that

would do anything to help the city. Anything. We wish him the best in retirement,” Minerich said.

Colleen Spencer resigned from the city Architectural Review Board, where she served as Vice Chairman. An employee of the Richmond Police Department, Kimberly McMahon, also had her resignation accepted during the meeting. As did Michael Kearns of the Public Works Department.

Promotions

Ryder Cveticanin was promoted from Finance Clerk to Human Resources Generalist. Back over at the Richmond Police Department, Erin Burris was promoted from police records clerk to police FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) specialist.

Business Recognition

Bridal boutique The



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The Collective, a Bridal Boutique, was honored during the meeting’s business recognition.

Collective was honored during the city’s business recognition. Owner Lyndsey Durham and her husband came out to represent their business.

Durham said that she is excited to be working in the

community.

“We are a bridal boutique, so we love helping girls, ladies from Madison County and the surrounding areas find their dream dress. But we are a little bit more than that. I wanted to cre-

ate a place for experiences, so the bride’s experience is our number 1 goal. We also have an event space in the back, so the brides and really anyone in our community can rent out event space,” Durham said.

GILDAY

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Jordan Morgan’s father — former state lawmaker Wesley Morgan — told the press that he planned on appealing the decision to run those other charges concurrently with the life sentence.

Impact statements

Several of Jordan Morgan’s loved ones gave impact statements prior to the sentencing. They described her as a bright, joyous person who loved her family and friends with

everything she had. The young attorney loved to travel, read, and spend time with her loved ones.

Some of those loved ones described her as a true millennial, with a love of the pop culture of the time. She was a devoted fan of Taylor Swift, and even read the entire Twilight series over the course of a single weekend.

Her mother, Lisa Foster, gave the opening statement. She was one of several members of Jordan’s family who called into question Gilday’s mental illness.

“While Shannon Gilday

killed my daughter, one person, he shattered the soul of out entire family. He’s a cold blooded killer,” Foster said. “Now he came to court dressed like a little boy, hoping to fool the system. That’s not crazy, that’s calculated, tactical execution. You’re not mentally ill. You’re a demon from hell.”

Foster repeatedly called Gilday a coward, and noted that he did not get what he wanted. For his part, he nodded along to parts of Foster’s statement. In the end, Foster said that while she did not forgive

him for what he had done, she hoped that he found Christianity. Foster noted that her daughter was the kind of person who would have seen the good in Gilday.

“She would have been a good friend to you. She would have called you up and said ‘Let’s go hang out.’ Had you befriended her instead of murdering her, she would have toured you the bunker,” Foster said. “I do not forgive your actions, but I pray for your soul. That’s the best I can do. A lot of people say they hope you rot in hell. I do not

want that. My hope is that you meet Jesus and that you physically die before you step out of this building.”

Wesley Morgan closed out the impact statements, giving a painstaking recollection of the night he lost his daughter. He said he can still vividly remember the site of Gilday coming down the steps from his daughters room with an AR-15. Wesley described the intense shootout that broke out between himself and Gilday along with the years of trauma the attack has left his family with.

“I was forced to sell the

house and farm at a loss. For two years, me Lindsay (ihs wife), and Sidney (his younger daughter) travelled around the U.S. staying in different places, facing constant fear of another violent confrontation. I kept myself armed at all times,” Morgan said. “Sidney was traumatized... for the first year after Jordan’s death, Sidney had to sleep with her mother while I slept on the couch guarding her bedroom door.”

Wesley said that Gilday not getting the death sen-

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SECTION 00 10 00 - INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids for the furnishing of all labor, materials, equipment and services for the **Madison Southern High School – Tennis Courts** will be received by **Madison County Schools** until **2 PM, September 8, 2026**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.
THE PROJECT WILL BE BROKEN INTO THREE SEPARATE BID PACKAGES AS FOLLOWS:
BID PACKAGE 01: EARTHWORK, DRAINAGE & ASPHALT
BID PACKAGE 02: COURT SURFACING & POSTS
BID PACKAGE 03: FENCING

Bidders may bid any and all bid packages separately. No combined bids.

THERE WILL BE A **PRE-BID MEETING** AT MADISON SOUTHERN HIGH SCHOOL AT **11 am, Thursday August 27**. MEET AT EXISTING TENNIS COURTS AT BACK OF SITE.

Contract documents may be examined at:
ClotfelterSamokar, PSC, 228 East Reynolds Road, Suite 1, Lexington, KY
Madison County Schools, 301 Highland Park Drive, Richmond, KY 40475

Copies of the documents may be PICKED UP for free at Madison County Schools Central Office, 301 Highland Park Drive, Richmond, KY 40475. C/O Chris Clark. Call ahead for pick up.

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked on the outside with the Bidder’s identification and labeled as follows in the lower left-hand corner.

Sealed Bid:	Madison Southern High School – Tennis Courts BID PACKAGE 01 – OR - BID PACKAGE 02 - OR - BID PACKAGE 03
Time of Opening	2 PM., Tuesday September 8, 2026
Location of Opening:	Madison County Schools 301 Highland Park Drive Richmond, KY 40475

Bids shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check in the amount of Five percent (5%) of the bid amount. In case the bid is not accepted, the bid bond, or check, will be returned to the bidder. Should the bidder refuse or neglect to enter into a contract with the Owner within ten (10) days after notification of acceptance of their bid, the said check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the Owner as liquidated damages for failure to do so. For bidders bidding on more than one package, use separate Form of Proposal for each package. NO COMBINED BIDS.

No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of Sixty (60) days after the deadline set for the receipt of bids.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance and payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract sum plus the total of all purchase orders.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities and enter into a contract with the best apparent qualified bidder.