

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 25, 2020  
CITY HALL  
COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
6:00 PM**

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**Mayor Blythe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.**

**PRESENT: Commissioner Brewer, Grant, McDaniel, Morgan and Mayor Blythe  
ALSO PRESENT: Rob Minerich: City Manager, Garrett Fowles: City Attorney,  
Lisa Cassity: City Clerk**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Executive Session- Per KRS 61.810 (1) (f) Personnel at 6:05 p.m.  
(Conference Room)**

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

**Out of Executive Session at 6:12 p.m.**

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

**No Action Taken**

**Presentations**

- 1) Children's Champion Proclamation- Phillis Adams
- 2) Refuge for Women Kentucky- Rayann White

**Minute Approval:**

- 1) Regular Commission Meeting held on February 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

2) Workshop Meeting held on February 18, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Grant

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

**Ordinance 20-03:** An Ordinance of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Creating the Downtown Mill District.

**Second Reading**

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

**Ordinance 20-04:** An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Repealing Ordinance 12-34 and Establishing New Rates to be Charged for Gas Service and for the Transportation of Gas.

**First Reading**

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

Commission had several questions regarding the transportation cost, how many residential and business customers effected by increase, purpose for the increase and how long this new rate would be locked in.

**No Vote Taken**

**Order 20-26:** An Order of the City of Richmond Re-Appointing Members to the Richmond Industrial Development Corporation.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

Commissioner Morgan requested a woman be appointed to the board for diversity.

Mr. Minerich thanked David Gerrin for many years of service on board.

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Brewer	x	



<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

**Order 20-31:** An Order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Terminating the Employment of a City Employee.

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

**Order 20-32:** An Order of the City of Richmond Repealing a Job Description and Adopting a New Job Description for the Finance Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Grant

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

**Order 20-33:** An Order of the City of Richmond Adjusting an Employee Status within the Finance Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

**Order 20-34:** An Order of the City of Richmond Adjusting an Employees Status within the Human Resources Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan  
Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

Mr. Minerich announced that since the departure of the Human Resource Director the current employee has truly stepped up and is a more user-friendly department.

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

### **Public Comments**

#### **1. Mike Boyd- Madison County Veteran's Committee**

Mr. Boyd thanked the city for the group being able to use the building. He mentioned that there has been a lot of remodeling and cleaning the facility. They are looking to having a ribbon cutting mid-March.

#### **2. Steve Rosenburg- Rental Property Owner**

Mr. Rosenburg expressed concerns on due process for bulk trash items where he received a citation from Codes Department. He further expressed concerns over a lawsuit that is now dismissed from 2014 against the city and Advance Disposal over billing charges.

### **Departmental Reports**

Police Chief Ebert

1. Phone Scam awareness
2. Polar Plunge for Special Olympics
3. Thanked the Richmond Register for the recent article on his wife's deployment.

### **City Manager's Report**

Mr. Minerich reported that

1. MetroNet- Reassured residents that MetroNet is the largest infrastructure project the city has seen in over 50 years. He reviewed easement access for utilities and noted that they company will repair any damages to property. He ended that this is the highest speed of internet and is the future of our times.

### **Board of Commissioner's Discussion**

#### **Commissioner Morgan**

1. Happy Leap Year
2. Announced high school basketball district tournament is coming up soon.

#### **Commissioner Brewer**

1. Questioned the Ordinance restrictions on gravel driveways within the city limits and parking vehicles in the yards.
2. Littering Violations- Questioned if the police department issues any citations on littering like years ago. He's disappointed to see our city so dirty with trash flying everywhere. Suggested the "No Littering" signs be placed in high violation areas with fines placed upon citizens that are caught. Suggested also maybe start a social media campaign to encourage citizens to clean up their property and pick up litter.

**Commissioner Grant**

1. Thanked the Refuge for Women organization on attending meeting tonight.

**Commissioner McDaniel**

No report

**Mayor Blythe**

1. Thinking of Police Chief Ebert and his family during his wife's deployment.
2. Women in Hats event announcement.
3. Sweetheart Chili Luncheon fundraiser is used for extra programming for the Richmond senior programs.
4. The new senior center is experiencing some growing pains due to increase participation.
5. Appreciates Richmond Register Madison Living edition for covering the ribbon cutting at the new Richmond Active Living Center. He joking said, however that Commissioner Grant was not in the printed photo.

**Adjournment: 7:43 p.m.**


Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

<b>VOTING:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

  
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 MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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 City Clerk