

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
WORKSHOP MEETING
MAY 19, 2020
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE
CITY OF RICHMOND, KY COMMUNITY INFORMATION FACEBOOK PAGE
9:30 AM**

TAKE NOTICE that for the present, the Board of Commissioners for the City of Richmond will continue to meet in accordance with the schedule for its regular meetings and remain in compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations. In view of the COVID-19 pandemic, however, and in an effort to prevent the spread of that virus, the public can view the meetings as they occur on the City's Community Information Facebook page. Anyone wishing to address the City Commission may submit comments on any topic or agenda item electronically to the City Clerk at lcassity@richmond.ky.us . The Agenda for the meetings can also be found on the city website and Facebook page. Citizens may also phone City Hall at (859) 623-1000 ext 1103 to provide a comment about an agenda item or concern if a computer is unavailable.

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, Tyler Johnson: Community Development and Media
Coordinator, Sharon Cain: Finance Director, Scott Althausen: Richmond Utilities,
Susan Lillis: Section 8 Housing, Sam Kirby: Fire Chief**

Presentations

1) Parks to Kids Day Proclamation

Ordinance 20-10: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Relating to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Annual Budget and Amendment thereof. - Liberty Place

First Reading

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

No Vote Taken

Order 20-46: An Order of the City of Richmond, KY Relating to Kentucky Recovery Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. - Liberty Place.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

VOTING:

	YES	NO
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	

Commissioner Morgan	x
Commissioner Brewer	x
Mayor Blythe	x

Order 20-47: An Order of the City of Richmond Authorizing the Condemnation of an Easement Across the Property of Linda Carnes Wimberly located at Hunter Lane in Madison County, Kentucky, for Construction and Operation of a Sewer Truck Line and Related Appurtenances.

Read by City Clerk
 Motion: Commissioner McDaniel
 Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

Commissioner Morgan questioned if the property owners were aware of the City Commission action today. Scott Althausser responded yes that it's a mutual agreement but then it's not. He added that the property will be able to tap onto the water lines.

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Resolution 20-02: A Resolution for Application and Administration of a 2020 Build Transportation Grant Project.

Read by City Clerk
 Motion: Commissioner Morgan
 Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Order 20-48: An Order of the City of Richmond Awarding an Audit Proposal for the Section 8 Program.

Read by City Clerk
 Motion: Commissioner McDaniel
 Seconded: Commissioner Grant

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Order 20-49: An Order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond Kentucky Accepting the Resignation of a City Employee.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Order 20-50: An Order of the City of Richmond Re-Appointing Two Members to the Richmond Utilities Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Order 20-51: An Order of the City of Richmond Re-Appointing a Member to the Architectural Review Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Order 20-52: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation by a Member of the Tax Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	

Commissioner Morgan x
Mayor Blythe x

TABLED Order 20-53: An Order Authorizing Signature of a Memorandum of Agreement for Mutual Aid Fire Service between Madison County Fiscal Court and the City of Richmond.

Read by City Clerk
Motion: Commissioner Morgan
Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

Commissioner Brewer questioned if the city already had a mutual agreement in place with the county. Sam Kirby, Fire Chief responded that yes but the county wanted to update the agreement. Discussion centered around services provided by the city, where training is conducted and how the Madison County Rescue Squad has been dissolved.

Commission along with City Manager expressed multiple concerns that what if the city's assisting the county with these tasks and then an emergency is needed with the city limits. Along with water rescue could result in more employee injuries and use of the city equipment.

Commission asked that this Order be tabled to seek more clarification on new items listed in the agreement.

TABLED for clarification on several items within the agreement.

Motion: Commissioner Morgan
Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Order 20-54: An Order of the City of Richmond Amending Order 20-21 and Approving the Execution of a Municipal Road Co-op Program Contract between the City of Richmond, Kentucky and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal aid for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2020 as Provided in the Kentucky Revised Statutes and Accepting all Streets Referred to Therein and being Streets which are a Part of the City.

Read by City Clerk
Motion: Commissioner McDaniel
Seconded: Commissioner Grant

City Manager announced that the gas prices have dropped and people aren't traveling right now. The total for Richmond went from \$649,000.00 to \$570,000.00 for a

\$79,000.00 difference. This will impact street paving and street maintenance repairs this coming fiscal year.

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Public Comments- None submitted

Departmental Reports

David Stipes- Richmond Industrial Development Corporation

Mr. Stipes provided an update to the commission on which industries were operating and the economic impact for industries.

City Manager's Report

- Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Review (Attached)

Board of Commissioner's Discussion

McDaniel-

1. Questioned if Little League is starting back with strict CDC guidelines. He also mentioned that Girls Softball hasn't advertised for even tryouts at this point.

Grant-

1. Questioned if Richmond was following the Louisville Mayor guidelines on restaurant seating outside in parking lot areas, blocking roads and able to serve alcohol.
2. Thanked City Manager and Finance Director for budget proposal and projections for the next 10 years as the Bluegrass Army Depot will conclude with demilitarization. He felt the budget was a good and take.

Brewer-

1. Thanked City Manager and Finance Director for the Budget Proposal.
2. Noted that their mission for residents in Richmond are to feel safe and feel wanted. If citizens feel that Richmond is meeting their needs, they are much more likely to enjoy the quality of life.
3. He asked that residents help support Richmond businesses.

Morgan-

1. Questioned if restaurants can still serve in outside areas if they only lease the property verse owning the areas or sidewalks.

Mayor Blythe-

1. Thanked City Clerk for putting meeting packets together considering the city's computer challenges right now.
2. Excited to see new equipment at Lake Reba Park such as the all-inclusive playground and remodeled basketball courts.
3. Announced that the county wide zoom meetings are now being conducted from 7 days a week, then 3 days a week and now only 2 days a week. During these meetings with all government and public serving agencies are discussing how to move forward keeping our communities safe and healthy.
4. There is a Covid-19 testing site in Richmond this week located at the ECU Stratton parking lot.

Adjournment at 11:34 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	



 MAYOR

ATTEST:


 City Clerk