

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 28, 2020
CITY HALL
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
6:00 PM**

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

Presentations

1. Hopes Wings Jail and Bail Event- Jennifer Lainhart
2. Faith Task Force of Madison County, Inc.- David Eastham and Lloyd Jordison

Minute Approval:

- 1) Regular Commission Meeting held on January 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Workshop Meeting held on January 21, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

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

Ordinance 20-01: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending Ordinance No 18-14 Pertaining to the Purchasing and Procurement Policies for Federal Grants.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

Commissioner Morgan questioned the federal grant solicitation for bids and threshold for purchases.

No Vote Taken

Order 20-13: An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Authorizing the City to Provide Local Match funding and Serve as the Grantee with the Product Development Initiative (PDI) Grant as Awarded for the Richmond Industrial Park South III Project.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

City Manager commented that this grant is a wonderful opportunity for Richmond to help recruit industries and market the community.

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

Order 20-14: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation by an Employee in the Fire Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

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

Order 20-15: An Order of the City of Richmond authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement with Hope's Wings Domestic Violence Program, Kentucky Career Center Bluegrass, Kentucky U Skills and New Opportunity School for Women, to Submit an Application for the 2020 U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women Transitional Housing Assistance Program Grant.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Morgan

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

Commissioner Morgan requested information on the city getting reimbursed for administration on the grant in the amount of \$14,000. He questioned which line item in the budget that gets deposited.

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner Grant	x	

Commissioner McDaniel x
 Commissioner Morgan x
 Mayor Blythe x

Order 20-16: An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Authorizing the Filing of a Grant Application for a Kentucky Colonels Good Works Program.

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

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

Order 20-17: An Order of the City of Richmond Appointing an Interim Fire Training Officer.

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

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

Order 20-18: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Employees for the Fire Department.

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

Commissioner Morgan commented how nice it was to see the new hired here tonight.

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

AMEND AGENDA to include Ordinance 20-02

Motion: Commissioner Grant
 Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

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

Ordinance 20-02: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Creating a Franchise for the Erection, Laying, and Maintenance of Electric Facilities and Appurtenant Facilities and Equipment in, along, and across the public Ways, Roads, Streets, Alleys, and other Public Places in the City of Richmond, Kentucky for Furnishing and Selling Electricity by Mands of Said Facilities and Providing for the Granting of that Franchise.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

Mayor commented that we held a Special Called meeting yesterday to discuss this electric franchise which would be another 20-year agreement.

No Vote Taken

Public Comments

No comments

Departmental Reports

Fire- Chief Kirby

Thanked the new employees for attending the commission meeting and feels his department has been proactive in hiring these employees since there are several that plan on retiring this year.

City Manager’s Report

Mr. Minerich discussed the following items:

1. Reported the All A Classic event was a success with great partnerships, volunteers and overall is a fun event.

Board of Commissioner’s Discussion

Commissioner Grant

1. Commented about the attendance to the All A Classic event and commended all the volunteers. He also noticed the restaurants were crowded over the weekend.
2. Thanked the new employees for attending the meeting tonight.
3. Thanked Hope’s Wings for the community service they offer.

Commissioner Morgan

No report

Commissioner Brewer

1. Attended the All A Classic event and saw some great basketball. He felt the event went smoothly and saw the teams utilizing the city restaurants, hotels and bowling in between games.
2. Questioned what the city can do to help pick up the trash that blows around town. He's noticed that there's trash very visible and questioned if the city has a program to reimburse organizations that adopt a highway. City Manager announced that the city did receive the 2020 litter abatement grant.
3. Encouraged citizens to download the My Richmond KY app to report potholes or other issues that need addressed by the city.
4. Requested street lights be installed in the university plaza.

Commissioner McDaniel

1. Requested the city consider offering a scholarship program for disadvantage youth in our community that would be able to attend Eastern Kentucky University. He thought it could have a determined amount, set qualifications and have the students write essays.

Mayor Blythe

1. Commented that the All A Classic event was a success and great seeing all the visitors in town with businesses crowded. He was excited that the event is committed to be here in Richmond for the next 3 years and enjoyed seeing the Governor and Lt. Governor at the event.

Adjournment: 6:51 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Grant

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

ATTEST:



 City Clerk



 MAYOR