

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 09, 2021
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE
CITY OF RICHMOND, KY COMMUNITY INFORMATION FACEBOOK
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6:00 PM**

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

**PRESENT: Commissioner Arnold, Brewer, McDaniel, Newby and Mayor Blythe
ALSO PRESENT: Rob Minerich: City Manager, Lisa Cassity: City Clerk and Tyler Johnson: Community Development and Media Coordinator, Tyler Frazier: City Attorney, Scott Althaus: Richmond Utilities, Taylor Six: Richmond Register**

Minutes

1) Regular Commission Meeting held on January 26, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING:

	YES	NO
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Commissioner McDaniel	x	
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Commissioner Newby	x	
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Commissioner Arnold	x	
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Commissioner Brewer	x	
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Mayor Blythe	x	
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Presentations

1) Parks Year End Review- Erin Moore, Parks Director

2) Parks Master Plan- Dr. McChesney, Park Board Chair

3) Downtown Improvement Plan- Tyler Johnson, Community Development Director

Mayor exited meeting at 6:25 p.m. and Mayor Pro-Tem Brewer took over to presiding the meeting

Order 21-14: An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Directing the Finance Director to Close a City Bank Account.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Arnold

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Arnold	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Blythe	absent	

Order 21-15: An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Authorizing the Participation in a Covid19 Utility Assistance Project.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Arnold	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Blythe	absent	

Mayor Blythe rejoined meeting and presided over the remainder of meeting.

Order 21-16: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Bid from Dever, Inc for Golf Carts.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Arnold	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Order 21-17: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation by an Employee in the Recycle Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Arnold	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Open Discussion of Potential Lease of Armory- City Manager

Executive Session- Per KRS 61.810 (1) (f) Personnel at 6:43 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Arnold	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

Out of Executive Session at 6:48 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Arnold	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	

No Action Taken

Public Comments-None Submitted

Departmental Reports- No Reports

City Manager's Report-

1. All A Classic will be held next week February 15th- 20th. If you would like to attend you must reserve your seats due to Covid19 restrictions.
2. Thanked the Road Department for putting in long hours this week. He noted that the Emergency Operation Center had a weather call at 5:30 p.m. today with Plan of Action for this coming winter weather.

Board of Commissioner's Discussion

McDaniel- No report

Arnold- No report

Brewer-

1. Comprehensive Plan meeting was held with stakeholders and will bring back update in March to the commission. He noted that the meeting was very in depth about Richmond's needs and future.
2. Questioned when the budget amendment is presented that help is provided to those departments that need it. City Manager added that it should be ready for the February 23rd meeting. He also announced that there will not be a Workshop meeting next week and no topics were submitted.
3. Commended the Street and Parks Departments for sidewalk cleaning and asked they keep downtown safe for people during this next winter weather storm.
4. He offered citizens help during the upcoming winter storm if they needed assistance with getting prescriptions picked up or delivered.

Newby-

1. Questioned by the City was paying a bankruptcy attorney in Louisville and referenced a check #. City Attorney responded that he didn't know the details but would look into. He noted that it may have been due to the purchasing of Hill Street property to Habitat for Humanity.
2. Questioned the Lexington Coffee & Tea purchases for City Hall.
3. Requested that the City Clerk place the topic of an Addiction Recovery Facility for Richmond on the agenda for open discussion.

Mayor Blythe- No report

Adjournment at 7:00 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING:

	YES	NO
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Arnold	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	
Mayor Blythe	x	



 MAYOR

ATTEST:



 City Clerk