

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 23, 2021
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE
CITY OF RICHMOND, KY COMMUNITY INFORMATION FACEBOOK
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6:00 PM**

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 monthly 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. Citizens may also phone City Hall at (859) 623-1000 ext 1103 to provide a comment about an agenda items or concern if a computer is unavailable.

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 March 09, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Workshop Meeting held on March 16, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Arnold

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

Ordinance 21-04: An Ordinance Enacting and Adopting Supplements to the Code of Ordinances for the City of Richmond, Kentucky.

Second Reading

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING:	YES	NO

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

Ordinance 21-05: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Accepting the Dedication of Certain Streets in the City as Public Ways and City Streets for all Purposes- Sycamore Park.

Second Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

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

Ordinance 21-07: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Amending Ordinance No. 14-18 and Ordinance 18-07 to Modify the City’s Existing Grades and Salary Ranges Chart.

Second Reading

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner Arnold

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

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

Order 21-34: An Order of the City of Richmond Kentucky Relating to Kentucky Recovery Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Services (Cares) Act Program.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

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

Order 21-35: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Candidates for the Police Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Arnold x

Commissioner Brewer x

Commissioner McDaniel x

Mayor Blythe x

Order 21-36: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation by an Employee in the Parks Department.

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

Executive Session- Per KRS 61.810 (1) (f) Personnel at 6:16 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Brewer x

Commissioner McDaniel x

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Arnold x

Mayor Blythe x

Out of Executive Session at 6:21 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Arnold

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner McDaniel x

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Arnold x

Commissioner Brewer x

Mayor Blythe x

No Action Taken

Order 21-37: An Order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond
Kentucky Terminating the Employment of a City Employee.

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Arnold

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

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

Order 21-38: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring an Assistant Program
Coordinator for the Parks 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	

Order 21-39: An Order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond,
Kentucky Authorizing the City Manager to Disburse Local Small Business
Covid19 Funds.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

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

Order 21-40: An Order of the Board of Commissioners for the City of Richmond,
Kentucky Implementing Emergency Procedures for Payment of City of
Richmond, Kentucky Occupational License Fee on Net Profits.

Read by City Manager

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner McDaniel	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	

Commissioner Arnold	x
Commissioner Brewer	x
Mayor Blythe	x

Public Comments- None submitted.

Departmental Reports

Tourism Department- Lori Tatum
(All A Classic Update) Attached

City Manager’s Report-

1. Real Estate is up 20% in Richmond. He also noted that Richmond ranked 9th out of 500 as a Site Selection Community for Industries.
2. Notified the commission and community that there have been some complaints on open burn fires near Ask Park and reassured everyone the issue is being addressed.
3. Notified the commission and public that beginning April 13th the Commission meetings would be held again in the Commission Chambers. He explained that it would only be selected staff and elected officials able to attend, however the public would still need to observe meetings via Facebook.
After open discussion, the Commission requested to continue meetings via Zoom until further notice.

Board of Commissioner’s Discussion

McDaniel-

1. Bike Fundraiser- UFC Harry Hunsucker is conducting a bicycle fundraiser for underprivileged children in our community.

Arnold- No report

Brewer-

1. Requested update if the fountains were repaired and ready for the opening at Adventure Falls. He also inquired if the pool needed any repairs prior to opening.

Newby- No report

Mayor Blythe- No report

Adjournment at 6:57 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Arnold	x	
Commissioner Brewer	x	

Commissioner McDaniel x
Mayor Blythe x


MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk