

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2022
CITY HALL
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
6:00 PM**

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

**PRESENT: Commissioner Brewer, McDaniel, Newby and Mayor Blythe
ALSO PRESENT: Rob Minerich: City Manager, Lisa Cassity: City Clerk, Tyler
Frazier: City Attorney
ABSENT: Commissioner Arnold**

Minutes

- 1) Special Called Commission Meeting held on December 14, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.
- 2) Regular Commission Meeting held on December 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
- 3) Workshop Meeting held on December 21, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

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

Order 22-02: An Order of the City of Richmond Promoting a Police Sergeant to Lieutenant.

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

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

Police Pinning Ceremony

Ordinance 22-01: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond Relating to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Annual Budget and Amendment thereof- Richmond Utility Assistance Project, Community Development Block Grant.

First Reading

Motion: Commissioner Newby
Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel
No Vote Taken

Ordinance 22-02: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond Kentucky Annexing Property into the City Boundaries and Assigning Zone Classifications for 649 Caleast Road.

First Reading

Motion: Commissioner Brewer
Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel
No Vote Taken

Order 22-01: An Order of the City of Richmond Declaring Certain Vehicles Surplus in the City and Providing for its Disposal.

Motion: Commissioner Newby
Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

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

Order 22-03: An Order of the Board of Commissioners Approving a Task Order for the Armory Property Project Plan and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Same on Behalf of the City.

Motion: Commissioner Brewer
Seconded: Commissioner Newby

City Manager explained that the Demolition Bids Packets were available on January 4th and due January 19th. We've already had 10 contractors pick up packets and request tours of the building. Based on the condition of the building, it's not suitable for public use. He mentioned that multiple public organizations have inquired about utilizing the building, however it's deemed unsafe and would cost too much to renovate.

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

Order 22-04: An Order of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Approving a Memorandum of understanding with the Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc and FAHE and the City, and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Same on Behalf of the City.

Motion: Commissioner Brewer
 Seconded: Commissioner Newby
VOTING: **YES** **NO**
 Commissioner McDaniel x
 Commissioner Newby x
 Commissioner Arnold absent
 Commissioner Brewer x
 Mayor Blythe x

AMEND AGENDA to include Order 22-05

Motion: Commissioner Brewer
 Seconded: Commissioner Newby
VOTING: **YES** **NO**
 Commissioner Newby x
 Commissioner Arnold absent
 Commissioner Brewer x
 Commissioner McDaniel x
 Mayor Blythe x

Order 22-05: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Four Firefighters.

Motion: Commissioner Newby
 Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel
VOTING: **YES** **NO**
 Commissioner Arnold absent
 Commissioner Brewer x
 Commissioner McDaniel x
 Commissioner Newby x
 Mayor Blythe x

Public Comments - None

Departmental Reports-

1. Richmond Police Department- Chief Richardson provided an update on how the employees are volunteering to help cover shifts in Dawson Springs. He also explained the uptick in domestic violence cases that would better equip the department with an armor vehicle for the future. Commission was receptive to request and would discuss further in the next Workshop.

City Manager’s Report-

1. Thanked Road and Parks Grounds Departments on snow removal.
2. Thanked Fire Department for covering 2 stations in Dawson Springs.

Board of Commissioner’s Discussion

McDaniel-

1. Thanked Police and Fire Departments for representing the city so well and working with other agencies during crisis situations.
2. Would like the city to still consider his "Flag Deal" coming this spring.

Arnold- Absent

Brewer-

1. Questioned if Codes can site property owners that have broke down vehicles in the visible in their yards.
2. Thanked all the departments that responded over the weekend to the snow storm and fire/standoff situation.

Newby- No report

Mayor Blythe-

1. Appreciates the Fire and Police working scenes out in the cold weather.
2. Thanked Jennifer Hurt in Finance Department for attending tonight with the scout and all her work for the city.
3. Thanked the IT Department for all their hard work with putting on the meetings.
4. Thanked the Road Department for the snow removal and long hours.
5. Questioned Police Chief Richardson if he felt that all these stand off situations and violence is connected to Covid frustrations.

Adjournment at 6:44 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

VOTING:

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



 MAYOR

ATTEST:

 City Clerk

