

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 09, 2022
CITY HALL
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
6:00 PM**

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, Tyler Frazier: City Attorney, Lisa
Cassity: City Clerk**

Presentations

Homelessness in Richmond- Neal Burns, local business owner

Mr. Burns expressed concerns for his business and the community as the homeless population continues to increase which has resulted in his business decline. He explained multiple scenarios of homeless people deterring clients from staying clients at this gym.

Commission responded that they would like to put together another Town Hall for all public agencies to better assist this growing population.

City Manager explained all the efforts that the city has provided to Madison Homes, God's Outreach and hiring a Social Worker soon in the Police Department to handle case management.

Minutes

- 1) Regular Commission Meeting held on July 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Workshop Meeting held on July 19, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.
- 3) Special Called Meeting held on July 28, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

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

Ordinance 22-29: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Declaring the City's Intent to Annex a Tract of Property into City Limits and Referring the Annexation to the Richmond Planning & Zoning Commission for a Zoning Recommendation.

First Reading

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

City Manager explained that the Commission has already been presented this intent, however the last meeting was moved to 4:00 p.m. and the legal representation of this property felt they weren't properly notified of time change.

Kory Issacs, Property legal counsel addressed the commission with one of the possible plats with requested zones. He further asked that the commission express what they would like to see the future development of this property and make suggestions of any changes. He opened the floor to ask the commission what questions they had for the development.

Commissioner Newby explained the same concerns as his did in previous meeting about traffic. He was thankful for a layout drawing this time, however still states that he can not support any R-3 zone.

Mayor Blythe requested clarification that you're just asking if the commission is willing to annex the property. Mr. Issacs responded this presented concept tonight is not something that, "they are married too."

Commissioner Brewer referred to the comprehensive plan as it suggests this area be single family homes. He further stated that he doesn't want to kill the development, he just doesn't want to see more apartments.

NO Vote Taken

Ordinance 22-30: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Changing the Zoning Classification for Property at 441 E. Irvine Street Owned by The Brian Charles Living Trust Located within City Limits.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Brewer
Seconded: Commissioner Arnold
NO Vote Taken

Order 22-79: An Order of the City of Richmond Re-Appointing Members on the Human Rights Commission.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby
Seconded: Commissioner Brewer

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

Commissioner Newby x
Mayor Blythe x

Order 22-80: An Order of the City of Richmond Ratifying the Eastern Kentucky University Appointment to the Madison Airport Board.

Read by City Clerk

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 22-81: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation by a Board Member on the Richmond Industrial Development Corporation.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner McDaniel x

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Arnold x

Commissioner Brewer x

Mayor Blythe x

Order 22-82: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring a Candidate for the Police Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Arnold

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Arnold x

Commissioner Brewer x

Commissioner McDaniel x

Mayor Blythe x

Order 22-83: An Order of the City of Richmond Appointing Members to the Richmond Tourism Commission.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Arnold x

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

Order 22-84: An Order of the City of Richmond Adjusting Employees' Status within the Recycle Department.

Read by City Clerk

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 22-85: An Order of the City of Richmond Declaring Certain Police Equipment and Property Surplus in the City and Providing for its Disposal.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING: YES NO

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

Order 22-86: An Order of the City of Richmond Amending a Master Police Officer Job Description and Adopting Updated Policy.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

VOTING: YES NO

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

Order 22-87: An Order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Accepting the Bids for Residential and Commercial Solid Waste Collection Franchise.

Read by City Manger

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Arnold x

Commissioner Brewer x

Commissioner McDaniel x

Commissioner Newby x

Mayor Blythe x

Order 22-88: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring Employees for the Recycle Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner McDaniel

Seconded: Commissioner Arnold

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Brewer x

Commissioner McDaniel x

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Arnold x

Mayor Blythe x

Order 22-89: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring an Employee for the Maintenance Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Arnold

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner McDaniel x

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Arnold x

Commissioner Brewer x

Mayor Blythe x

Public Comments

1. Elizabeth Hughley- Citizen

Ms. Hughley spoke on behalf of United Way in response to the presentation of the homeless population in Richmond. She suggested that the city contact United Way to better connect services for Richmond.

Executive Session- Per KRS 61.810 (1) (c) Pending Litigation at 7:30 p.m. (Conference Room)

Motion: Commissioner Brewer

Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

VOTING: YES NO

Commissioner Newby x

Commissioner Arnold x

Commissioner Brewer	x
Commissioner McDaniel	x
Mayor Blythe	x

Out of Executive Session at 7:42 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Newby
 Seconded: Commissioner McDaniel

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

No Action Taken

Departmental Reports- None

City Manager’s Report-

1. Thanked the Police Department and Kroger for packing the cruiser event for Eastern Kentucky flooding.
2. Back to School program will be held at the Teen Center from 2-6pm Thursday.
3. Going forward the pool will be open on weekends since school is back in session.
4. Street paving on Main Street has started and will also be repairing the crosswalks to be all ADA compliant.

Board of Commissioner’s Discussion

Newby- No report

Arnold-

1. Excited that soccer season has started.
2. Commented that the CASA Gala was a wonderful event and serves over 264 children in our community.

Brewer-

1. Attended the Unsung Hero event hosted by the Richmond Register where our Fire Department employee James White was recognized as Emergency Personnel.
2. Requested a couch on Lancaster Ave that needs to be picked up and pothole repaired near Wellington Court.
3. Questioned if the city had any surplus flatbed vehicles that the Coroner Office can utilize.

McDaniel-

1. Congratulated Mike Boyd for being inducted into the Veteran’s Hall of Fame.

Mayor Blythe-

1. Attended the Farm Bureau Dinner at the Fairgrounds and noticed that one our firefighters was awarded Young Farmer of the Year.
2. Getting a lot of compliments on how nice the paving looks on Main Street.
3. Citizen requested the street safety mirror at Elm Street and E. Irvine be repaired.
4. Requested that our department heads have Leadership Training opportunities to provide career growth and ability to promote from within our employees.
5. Commented that he was in a local bank and got to meet the city attorneys daughter and was so excited to meet this new resident.

Adjournment at 7:53 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	

ATTEST:

City Clerk



MAYOR