

**Meeting Minutes of the Richmond City Council
September 5, 2018
City Council Meeting**

Item #1: Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Hemmesch called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at Richmond City Hall.

Council Members noted as being present: Jim Hemmesch; Tim Paczkowski, Michael Ricke; Larry Hokanson; Mike Mathiasen

Also present were: Cindy Anderson, Deputy Clerk; Kevin Mooney, Arena/Parks Director; Jason Blum, Police Chief; Marilee Giese; Mike Blackstone; Linda Blackstone; Wendell Giese; Ron Fisher; Jim Bruner

Item #2: Open Forum - none

Item #3: Approval of Agenda

Mayor Hemmesch asked if there were any additions or changes to the Agenda.

Add item 6 e. Resolution 165-18: Approval of leave of absence

Add item 7 a. Royals Park

Motion made by Councilor Paczkowski to approve the Agenda, with additions, seconded by Councilor Mathiasen. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #4: Approval of the Meeting Minutes of August 1, August 6 and August 16, 2018

Mayor Hemmesch asked for any corrections or additions to the August 1, August 6 and August 16, 2018.

Mayor Hemmesch asked for a motion of approval.

Motion made by Councilor Hokanson to approve the Meeting Minutes of August 1, August 6 and August 16, 2018 seconded by Councilor Paczkowski. Motion passed.

Item #5: Approval of Bills Paid

Mayor Hemmesch asked if there were any questions or comments. Mayor Hemmesch asked for a motion of approval of Bills Paid. Council asked about the bill paid for locks. Mooney explained that he had changed out some locks at the arena and the pavilion.

Motion made by Councilor Hokanson to Approve the Bills Paid, seconded by Councilor Mathiasen. Motion passed.

Item #6: Consent Agenda

- a. Resolution 160-18: Authorization of August 2018 Journal Entries
- b. Resolution 161-18: Authorization of August 2018 Donations
- c. Resolution 162-18: Authorization of 2018-2019 liquor license for Richmond Baseball club
- d. Resolution 163-18: Authorizing for Minnesota lawful gambling LG220 exempt permit for River Lakes Hockey Inc. on December 19, 2018 as excess property
- e. Resolution 165-18: Approval of Leave of Absence
- f. Acceptance of PeopleService August report

Motion made by Councilor Paczkowski to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Ricke. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #7: Department Reports -

- a. Parks – Kevin Mooney, Parks Director
Mooney recapped the 2018 summer season.
Royals Ball: Mooney reported that they are looking at purchasing a new mower. He reported that they had 2 quotes \$12,331 and \$11,830. Council asked that a quote from New Adventure be included. Mooney sated he would speak with them and try to have it at the next meeting.
- b. Arena – Kevin Mooney, Arena Director
Mooney reported that he will be putting in ice the week of Sept 17, 2018 and there is a tournament the weekend of September 28. Mooney also reported that he has put together a list of employees he would like to bring back to work the arena. Until he meets with them he won't know how many hours each will have.
Resolution 164-18: Approval of Hiring seasonal workers for the River lakes civic arena ice season.

Motion made by Councilor Mathiasen to approve Resolution 164-18: Approval of Hiring seasonal workers for the River lakes civic arena ice season., seconded by Councilor Paczkowski. Motion passed unanimously.

Rocori Area Pickle ball club- Wendel Giese

Mr. Giese reported that he is representing about 41 pickleball players in the Rocori area that are looking to have an outdoor court to utilize. He stated they had a meeting with Kevin Mooney and Cindy Anderson regarding the possible use of Centennial Park. He explained how the sport is growing in the area and that there is a need for the court.

Anderson explained that at this point they are looking for the approval of the City Council to utilize Centennial Park, and that they plan on doing the fund raising and they will work with Mooney to determine the best location at the park. They will look at what is the best use of the park and best for the pickleball players and Mooney will report back to the Council regarding potential locations.

Motion made by Councilor Ricke to approve putting a pickleball court in at Centennial Park and giving the group the go ahead to start fundraising. Seconded by Councilor Hokanson. Motion passed unanimously.

- c. Police – Chief Blum introduced Chaplin Ron Fisher, who has started volunteering with the department and first responders. Chaplin Fisher gave a brief introduction of himself. Chief Blum reviewed the June police calls for the city of Richmond.

Item #8: Council Reports -

- a. EDA – Michael Ricke reported that a few businesses have utilized the commercial enhancement fund. He reported that Merry Moose day care is now open for business. Council asked about the blue bikes. Jim Bruner reported that 4 were stolen and that he had ordered replacement and he hoped to have them in this next week.
- b. Planning Commission – Paczkowski reported that the planning commission met to regroup as they had not met for a few months.
- c. Rocori Trail – Meeting September 6, 2018

Item #9: 2019 Street Improvement Project

Mayor Hemmesch gave a recap of the public hearing that was held and the steps for moving forward.

Item #10: Other Matters of Concern and Related Matters

- a. Next Council meeting September 20, 2018 –

Item #8: Adjournment

Mayor Hemmesch asked for any additional items.

Hearing none Mayor Hemmesch declared the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Anderson
Deputy Clerk