

Meeting Minutes of the Richmond City Council
Thursday January 17, 2013
City Council Meeting / Workshop

Item #1: Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

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

Members noted as being present: Mike Mathiasen, Pat Evens, Jeff Mackedanz, and Scott Kron
Members Absent: Tim Paczkowski

Also present were: Martin Bode, City Administrator; Jack Stang; Gordon Dingmann, Public Works Director; Chuck Merten, Fire Chief;

Item #2: Approval of Agenda

Mayor Kron asked if there were any additions or changes to the Agenda,

Administrator Added to Section #3

Resolution 110-13 - Approval of the 2013 Slate of Fire Department Officers

Resolution 111-13 - Stearns County Fire Chiefs Association Mutual Aid Agreement

Resolution 112-13 - Appointment of Lydia Mackenzie and Mike Ricke to fill EDA Vacancy.

Mayor Kron asked for approval of the agenda with the additions.

Motion made by Councilor Mathiasen to Approve Agenda with addition, seconded by Councilor Evens. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Kron recessed the regular meeting in order for the Council to discuss the following workshop discussion items:

(Temporary recess to the Council Workshop)

Workshop Agenda

- A. **EDA Interview**
 - a. **6:30 -Jack Stang**
- B. **Natural Gas Company Correction Factor** – concerned citizen was invited but did not attend.
- C. **Verso Fire** – Fire Chief Merten – discussed the relief association request for the City to pay the fire fighters or donate the money to the association. Discussed that the fire fighters are volunteers and are paid for training nor for fire calls. Richmond fire fighters responded thru the intra state aid contract.
- D. **Stearns County Fire Chiefs Mutual Aid Agreement** – Fire Chief Merten – discussed the agreement. Merten reported that Gold Cross is Meeting January 29th at 9 am. Concerned that Gold Cross is floating trucks based on numbers. Chief Merten is concerned of the impact that this will have on the rural area. Another concern is during an actual call the lack or limited communication with us and Gold Cross.

E. **Council Goal Setting** – Councilor Evens stated that he brought a list of items that he would like to address.

Garbage Haulers – can we look at the cost of having so many haulers on one street, what is the cost?

Staff Accountability – what do the staff do, do they keep a record of what they do, would like to have staff keep a log of what they do on a day to day.

Plowing Route – is there a designated route, have it written down.

Personal vs city vehicle – During work hours city staff should drive the city vehicle and not their own.

Book Arena in Summer – would like to see 3 out of 4 weekends at the arena booked.

List of repairs – what needs to be done and when it was repaired and when it needs to be done.

Ie. Centennial Park – roll door is reported that it may be broken but was not fixed.

Back up for Plowing – really should have a written plan of who gets called and when.

F. **Other Matters of Concern and Related Items -**

(7:37 pm Reconvene Council Meeting)

Council Meeting Agenda Continued

Item #3: Additional Purchase Requests, Allocations & Transfers

Add: Donating \$1,050.00 to the Richmond Fire Relief Association

Mayor Kron asked for a motion approving the additional purchase requests, allocations & transfers.

Motion made by Councilor Mackedanz to Approve the City donating \$1,050.00 (of the Verso Paper Mill fire payback) to the relief association to pay towards the short term savings, seconded by Evens. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #4: Other Matters of Concern and Related Items

Resolution 110-13: Approval of the 2013 Slate of Fire Department Officers

Mayor Kron asked for a motion approving Resolution 110-13: Approval of the 2013 Slate of Fire Department Officers.

Motion made by Councilor Mathiasen to Approve Resolution 110-13: Approval of the 2013 Slate of Fire Department Officers, seconded by Councilor Mackedanz. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 111-13: Stearns County Fire Chiefs Association Mutual Aid Agreement.

Mayor Kron asked for a motion approving Resolution 111-13: Stearns County Fire Chiefs Association Mutual Aid Agreement.

Motion made by Councilor Evens to Approve Resolution 111-13: Stearns County Fire Chiefs Association Mutual Aid Agreement, seconded by Councilor Mackedanz. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 112-13 Appointment of 2 applicants to fill EDA Vacancy.

Mayor Kron asked for any discussion regarding the appointment of EDA members to fill the 2 vacant seats. The Council discussed the 3 applicants.

Motion made by Councilor Evens to Approve Resolution 112-13 Appointment of Lydia Mackenzie and Mike Ricke to fill EDA Vacancy, seconded by Mayor Kron. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Kron asked if there were any other matters of concern or related items.

Mayor Kron announced that the baseball team will be meeting at City Hall a week from Sunday, if no objections by the Council, non given.

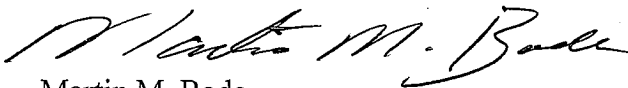
Council asked if a calendar listing the people using the City Hall could be placed in the entry way of the building. (Cindy has one in the entry way and will keep it updated monthly or as information is given.)

Item #5: Adjournment

Mayor Kron asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilor Mathiasen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mackedanz. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Kron declared the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Martin M. Bode
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer