

Meeting Minutes of the Richmond City Council
September 1, 2021
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, Pat Evens, Mike Mathiasen, Emily Monnens, and Chuck Merten

Also, present were: Tesa Tomaschett, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

Item #2: Open Forum- none

Item #3: Approval of Agenda with additions/deletion

Mayor Hemmesch asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda.
No additions/deletions or changes at this time.

Motion made by Councilor Merten to approve the agenda with additions/deletion, seconded by Councilor Mathiasen. Motion passed

Item #4: Approval of the Meeting Minutes for August 4 and August 19, 2021

Mayor Hemmesch asked for any corrections or additions to the minutes.
Mayor Hemmesch asked for a motion of approval

Motion made by Councilor Evens to approve the Meeting Minutes of August 4th and August 19th, 2021 minutes with corrections, seconded by Councilor Mathiasen. Motion passed.

Item #5: Approval of Bills Paid

Mayor Hemmesch asked if there were any questions or comments.

Mayor Hemmesch questioned why there were three Midwest Machinery bills.

Tomaschett explained that the skid loader needed a major repair and that the bill was broken into three department sections.

Mayor Hemmesch asked for a motion of approval of Bills Paid.

Motion made by Councilor Evens to Approve bills, seconded by Councilor Mathiasen. Motion passed.

Item #6: Consent Agenda (approved by one motion)

- a. Resolution 180-21: Approval of August 2021 Journal Entries
- b. Approval of Ordinance 2021-100: Amendment to Chapter 24-56
- c. Acknowledge PeopleService August 2021 Written Report
Water restrictions are still in place.

Motion made by Councilor Mathiasen to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Evens. Motion passed.

Item #7: Richmond Business Park

Memo in packet from Dave Blommel, equipment has been moved on the grounds today and a timeline for building plan and list of subcontractors. Groundbreaking ceremony will take place in a week or so once dirt has been moved. Bonds will be accepted until 11:00am on September 23rd, 2021.

Item #8: Fire Relief

Two requests that Fire Relief has. First, that the council approves to pay them their 2021 budget funds for the relief association which is \$11,625. The second item is that they are asking that the council approves the increase to \$12,875 for the 2022 budget.

Motion made by Councilor Mathiasen to approve the payment for retirement of \$11,625 for 2021, seconded by Councilor Monnens. Motion passed. Roll Call: Hemmesch & Merten -Abstain; Monnens, Mathiasen, and Evens – yes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilor Evens to approve the retirement increase by \$50.00 from \$11,625 to \$12,875 for 2022, seconded by Councilor Mathiasen. Motion passed. Roll Call: Hemmesch & Merten – Abstain; Monnens, Mathiasen, and Evens - yes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilor Evens to approve the \$250.00 increase per firefighter per year, seconded by Councilor Mathiasen. Motion passed. Roll Call: Hemmesch & Merten – Abstain; Monnens, Mathiasen, and Evens - yes. Motion passed.

Item #9: Department Reports

- a. **Police Department** – Written report was available for review
- b. **Fire Department** – Written report was available for review
- c. **Public Works/Streets-** Written report was available for review
- d. **Emergency Management-** Written report was available for review

Item #10: Council Reports

- a. EDA- Next Meeting: September 21st, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
- b. Planning Commission- Next Meeting: September 23rd, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
- c. Rocori Trail- Next Meeting: September 2, 2021

Item #11 Next Council Meeting: September 23, 2021 Workshop at 6:30 p.m. (Due to pending Bond)

Item #12 Adjournment

Mayor Hemmesch asked for any additional items.

Mayor Hemmesch declared the meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tesa Tomaschett
City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer