

Meeting Minutes of the Richmond City Council
June 17, 2021
City Council Workshop

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; Dave Blommel, SEH Engineer; Traci Ryan, Ryan Development Consulting, LLC.; Mande Hatten, Merry Moose Preschool & Childcare

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.

Add: Item #9 Potential Watering Ban

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

Item #4: Consent Agenda (approved by one motion)

- a. Resolution 151-21- Authorization for Minnesota Lawful Gambling LG220 Exempt Permit for Sts. Peter and Paul Church at the Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic School on July 16, 2021
- b. Resolution 152-21- Authorization for Minnesota Lawful Gambling LG220 Exempt Permit for Sts. Peter and Paul Church at the Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic School on August 29, 2021
- c. Resolution 153-21 – Authorization for Lawful Gambling Tax-Exempt Off-Site Lease and Gambling Permit –Richmond Lions on July 16, 17, and 18, 2021 at Sts. Peter and Paul Church
- d. Approval of Outdoor Display of Fireworks/Pyrotechnic Special Effects
- e. Road Closure- River Lake Day Run

Motion made by Councilor Evens to approve Consent Agenda (minus d. since Fire Chief does that), seconded by Councilor Merten. Motion passed.

Item #5: Public Hearing- Richmond Business Park Improvements

- a) Open Public Hearing

Mayor Hemmesch Opened Public Hearing at 6:33 p.m.

Dave Blommel gave update on progress of Richmond Business Park and storm water areas.

Mayor Hemmesch asked for any additional public comments:

- b) Close Public Hearing

Motion made by Councilor Mathiasen to close the public hearing at 6:35 p.m., seconded by Councilor Monnens. Motion passed.

- c) **Consideration of Resolution 154-21:** Ordering Improvement and Preparation of Plans

Motion made by Councilor Monnens to approve Resolution 154-21, seconded by Councilor Mathiasen. Motion passed

Item #6: Public Hearing- Modifying TIF 1-7

- a) Open Public Hearing

Mayor Hemmesch Opened Public Hearing at 6:36 p.m.

- b) Close Public Hearing

Motion made by Councilor Merten to close the public hearing at 6:42 p.m., seconded by Councilor Mathiasen. Motion passed.

- c) **Consideration of Resolution 155-21:** Approving the Modification of Economic Development Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-7 and Adoption of the Tax Increment Finance Plan Relating Thereto.

Motion made by Councilor Mathiasen to approve Resolution 155-21, seconded by Councilor Monnens. Motion passed.

Item #7: Public Hearing- Vacation of Drainage and Utility Easement within Outdoor Acres

- a) Open Public Hearing

Mayor Hemmesch Opened Public Hearing at 6:43 p.m.

- b) Close Public Hearing

Motion made by Councilor Merten to close the public hearing at 6:46 p.m., seconded by Councilor Monnens. Motion passed.

- c) **Consideration of Resolution 156-21:** Resolution vacating a drainage and utility easement on 414 Jay Ave SE.

Motion made by Councilor Mathiasen to approve Resolution 156-21, seconded by Councilor Merten. Motion passed

Item #8: Merry Moose Expansion costs

Ryan recommends that EDU costs are lowered in order for Merry Moose to expand and provide an essential business to Richmond. Example would be Merry Moose pay 1 EDU and the City would pay 1 EDU. In other words, the City would pay \$14,387.50 and Merry Moose would pay \$35,837.50.

Motion made by Councilor Mathiasen to approve recommended expansion costs, seconded by Councilor Merten. Motion passed

Item #9: Potential watering ban

With the lack of rain, a watering ban may be possible at this time. An idea for a ban would be watering after 7:00 pm through 7:00 am on odd days for odd house numbers and even days for even house numbers. Will be posted locally and is effective immediately.

Item #10: Next Meeting: July 7, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Item #11: City Hall closed July 5th in observance of Independence Day.

Item #13: Adjournment

Mayor Hemmesch asked for any additional items.

*Reminder streets will be painted

*Stacy Kalthoff will be starting Tuesday.

*Planning commission is meeting June 28th, 2021.

Mayor Hemmesch declared the meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tesa Tomaschett
City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer