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**REGULAR MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**August 17, 2020**

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M., ON MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020, BY MAYOR RIX.**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Allen, Greene, LaFore, Reindel, Rix, Warn

Absent: Misteravich

Others: City Manager Moore, Deputy Clerk Focht

Visitors: DPS Director Goetzinger, Dan Hartman, Michael Trautman, Mark Engle, Robert Bartholomew, Haley Fortuna, Jaret Gil

Motion by **Warn**, seconded by **Greene**, to excuse Mayor Pro-tem Misteravich from tonight's meeting due to being out of town.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by **Reindel**, seconded by **Allen**, to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2020, regular meeting as presented.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Haley Fortuna whose address is 36260 Madison spoke to Council about the peaceful protest that took place in Richmond. Disappointed that the Council didn't participate in the March. Asked for a formal apology for the voters.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion by **LaFore**, seconded by **Allen**, to adopt the agenda as presented.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a) Receive and File DPW Activity Report for July 2020
- b) Receive and File City Clerk's Activity Report for July 2020
- c) Receive and File City Planner's Activity Report for July 2020
- d) Receive and File Treasury and Money Market Report for July 2020
- e) Receive and File Investment CD Report for July 2020
- f) Receive and File Cable TV Activity Report for July 2020

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- g) Receive and File Library Activity Report for July 2020
- h) Receive and File Police Department Statistics for July 2020
- i) Receive and File Arrest Count Report for July 2020
- j) Receive and File Offense Count Report for July 2020
- k) Receive and File Ticket Offense Report for July 2020
- l) Receive and File Traffic Accident Report for July 2020
- m) Receive and File Call Flow Report for July 2020
- n) Receive and File Burn Permit Report for July 2020
- o) Receive and File July 14, 2020, Cable Commission Meeting Minutes
- p) Receive and File Revenue and Expense Report for July 2020
- q) Approval of Schedule of Bills dated August 13, 2020, in the amount of \$524,981.45

Motion by **LaFore**, seconded by **Allen**, to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

None

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**1. Consideration of Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 166/Fireworks Ordinance**

Motion by **LaFore**, seconded by **Warn**, to give second reading and adopt ordinance 166: the City of Richmond Consumer Fireworks Ordinance that would limit the number of days Consumer Fireworks are allowed. With the added language under section C. (1) (a) (vi) The Friday and Saturday immediately following Labor Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

Mike Trautman spoke in favor of the ordinance but had questions on why this is not handled under the nuisance ordinance. Mayor Rix explained that the nuisance ordinance is hard to enforce.

Mayor Rix also stated that if any residents would like to have fireworks outside of the specified dates to celebrate a special event that City Council would be open to hearing those requests.

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**2. Consideration of Special Event Request/Moose Lodge/Michigan Dressers**

Motion by **Greene**, seconded by **Allen**, to approve the banner request for a small banner promoting the Richmond Moose Lodge and Michigan Dressers Motorcycle Club's 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual

Toy Run for Kids to be placed in the grass area near Grand Trunk and M-19 beginning on September 18, 2020.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

Motion by **Greene**, seconded by **Allen**, to approve the special event request from the Richmond Moose Lodge and Michigan Dressers Motorcycle Club to conduct their 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Toy Run for Kids; including the closure of Grand Trunk Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 4, 2020 and the use of Grand Trunk from the Moose Lodge to Shepherds for the reception following.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

Robert Bartholomew, representative from Michigan Dressers spoke about the event and that the recipient was a local child.

**3. Consideration of Purchase of Combination Sewer Cleaner**

Motion by **Reindel**, seconded by **Allen**, to waive purchasing ordinance requirements under section 64-53 (d) and authorize \$422,043.42 for the purchase of a Camel Maxxx Combination sewer cleaner truck with Freightliner Chassis and Groeneveld Auto-Lube from North River Truck with the expense charged to the appropriate line items in the Major Street, Local Street, Sanitary Sewer, and Water funds.

Roll call vote: Allen, Greene, LaFore, Reindel, Rix, Warn (yeas)  
Misteravich (absent)

All yeas

**Motion carried**

Motion by **Allen**, seconded by **Greene**, to authorize the City's existing combination sewer cleaner to be sold to the highest bidder or traded-in, whichever is greater, with revenues posted to the Sanitary Sewer Fund; Equipment Rental; 590-001-676.000

All yeas

**Motion carried**

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**4. Consideration of Adopting Resolution No. 2020-8/Polling Location Change**

Motion by **LaFore**, seconded by **Allen**, to adopt Resolution No. 2020-8 which will approve changing the polling location for Precinct 2, beginning with the November 2020 Election.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

Councilor LA Fore commented that this is a good idea and proactive.

**5. Consideration of the Designation of MML Voting Delegates**

Motion by **Reindel**, seconded by **Warn**, to designate Jaime Greene, as the City's Official MML Representative to cast the vote of the City of Richmond at the virtual annual meeting.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

Motion by **Reindel**, seconded by **Warn**, to designate Emily Allen, as the City's Alternate MML Representative to cast the vote of the City of Richmond at the virtual annual meeting, should the Official Representative not be available.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

**6. Consideration of Establishing a City Manager Evaluation Committee**

Motion by **Allen**, seconded by **Greene**, to establish the ad hoc City Manager Review Committee for the purposes of coordinating the annual performance evaluation of the City Manager and reviewing the City Manager's employment agreement and making recommendations to the City Council on changes in the compensation package provided to the City Manager with the committee to expire on December 31, 2020 with the following councilors appointed to serve on the committee. LaFore, Misteravich, and Rix.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

**MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

Crossroads Community Church will be doing another food drop at the park on August 22, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mayor Rix announced the upcoming events:

8/26 – TIFA meeting 7:00 p.m.

8/27 – Special EDC meeting 7:00 p.m.

9/1 – Recreation Board meeting 7:00 p.m.

9/2 – Gleaners Food drop in the park 11:00 a.m.

9/5 – Library is closed

9/7 – City Hall, Library, & Rec closed

9/8 – City Council meeting 7:00 p.m.

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**OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by **Greene**, seconded by **Allen**, to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 6:48 p.m.

All yeas

**Motion carried**

Respectfully submitted:

Rebecca L. Focht  
Deputy Clerk