

MINUTES
RIVERTON VILLAGE BOARD
Riverton, IL.

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held their regular board meeting on February 2nd, 2015 at the Riverton Village Hall, Riverton, IL.

The board meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Those answering roll call: Mayor Tom Rader; Trustees: Joe Bartley, Dave Charles, Jim Mileham, Carl Fisher, Tina Raycraft, and Russ Patrick. Also in attendance were: Treasurer Lashonda Fitch, Office Manager Stacy Patterson, Chief Smith, and Superintendent Alex Lyons.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to approve January 20th meeting minutes and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Mileham. Trustees Bartley, Patrick, Mileham, Fisher, and Charles voted yes. Trustee Raycraft abstained.

Mrs. Rader, who lives on 5th Street commended the employees of Petersburg plumbing and the Village of Riverton on their work so far on the 5th Street project as far as moving vehicles to allow her to get in her driveway.

Old Business:

Kevin Kuhn was not in attendance. Trustee Patrick stated that a notice will be published in the paper this week regarding the 8th St. project.

Ordinance #15-002 Ordinance Approving Final Plat for Washington Place Subdivision was tabled until next meeting.

New Business:

Trustee Fisher mentioned that they had a Public Works committee meeting before the board meeting. They discussed the purchase of three vehicles. Two vehicles are for public works and the third is for sewer. The total amount for the three vehicles is \$123,000 including trade-in of three other vehicles. This is budgeted and the committee recommends to move forward.

Trustee Fisher made a motion to approve the proposal to purchase the three vehicles for \$123,000. Trustee Bartley seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Mileham, Bartley, Fisher, Charles, and Patrick voted yes.

Supt. Lyons gave the board a copy of his written report (see attached).

Water Department:

- 1) Repaired water main break on 3rd and Lincoln.
- 2) Repaired 6" water pipe at water plant and braced up piping.
- 3) Pump testing at new well #8 and moving water well platform.
- 4) New water service on Kinzie.

Sewer Department:

- 1) Approximately 2/3 of sewer mains on 5th Street project.

Street Department:

- 1) Patching of roads.
- 2) Snow and ice removal.

Electric Department:

- 1) Annual street light check. Repaired over 20 street lights.
- 2) Installed lights on well house's #5 and #6, inside and outside.
- 3) Installed new electric service on Kinzie.

Gas Department:

- 1) Installed new gas service on Kinzie Street.

Parks:

- 1) Nothing to report.

Updates:

- 1) Rebuilt truck bed and hinges on truck #69.
- 2) All budget sheets turned in.
- 3) Repaired tornado siren at garage #4.

Chief Smith presented his report. He also mentioned he had passed out pictures of a vacant building on Jefferson Street for the board to look at. The board came to the decision that it is a public health hazard and they should begin the process for condemnation. He also stated that as far as the property on 5th Street, it has been taken down, but debris is still there. He has not been able to reach the owner via cell phone. The board stated that it is well past the thirty days granted and agreed to refer it to the village attorney for immediate legal action.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to begin the process for condemnation on the Jefferson property. Trustee Patrick seconded. Trustees Bartley, Patrick, Fisher, Charles, Mileham, and Raycraft voted yes.

Office Manager Patterson, had nothing to report.

Treasurer Fitch, thanked everyone who has turned in their budget sheets and to remind those who haven't yet, that they are due on Monday.

Trustee Mileham, chairman of the Administrative Committee, stated that they had a committee meeting prior to the board meeting tonight to go over the budget. They have paperwork to turn in to the treasurer. They also discussed wanting to put new bushes out in front of the village entrance to help revamp the office. This is in the budget.

Trustee Raycraft, chairman of the Public Safety Committee, stated that Chief Smith sent her his portion of the budget and they will have a committee meeting to get the rest together.

Trustee Patrick, chairman of the Public Utility Committee, had nothing to report.

Trustee Charles, chairman of the Parks Committee, stated that they have submitted their budget. He also wants an ordinance increasing the camping fees for Wheeland Park to be on next meeting's agenda. They have a committee meeting next Thursday at 6:00PM.

Trustee Fisher, chairman of the Public Works Committee, stated that they had a committee meeting before the board meeting to review the budget. It is finished and they will send it to the treasurer.

Trustee Bartley, chairman of the Economic Development Committee, stated that the utility bills mailed out this week contain 37 days in the billing cycle. An explanation is on the village's website and also on the back on the bill. He also mentioned that three vacant properties on East Washington Street are not in the corporate limits. He spoke with our Sangamon County Board representative, Jim Good, about this. Last, he met with the CEO of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce and provided a tour of Riverton to show them that it is a great place to do business.

Mayor Rader stated that a Regional Leadership Council meeting was held last week in Riverton.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to go into Executive session at 7:35 to discuss possible property acquisition. Trustee Fisher seconded. Trustees Bartley, Fisher, Patrick, Mileham, Raycraft, and Charles voted yes.

The board went into open session at 7:46 with a motion from Trustee Bartley. It was seconded by Trustee Mileham. Trustees Mileham, Fisher, Charles, Bartley, Raycraft, and Patrick voted yes.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to Adjourn at 7:47. Trustee Patrick seconded. Trustees Charles, Bartley, Mileham, Fisher, Raycraft, and Patrick voted yes.

_____ Mayor _____ Date

_____ Clerk