

## MINUTES

### RIVERTON VILLAGE BOARD

Riverton, IL.

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held their regular board meeting on April 15, 2013 at the Riverton Village Hall, Riverton, IL.

The board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Those answering roll call: Acting Mayor Joe Bartley, Clerk Tiffany Graves; Trustees: Tina Raycraft, Rich Pottier, Dave Charles, Pat Faires and Kurt Spradlin. Also in attendance were: Office Manager Stacy Patterson, Treasurer Tim Laffey, Attorney John Myers, Superintendent Alex Lyons and Chief Dave Smith.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Trustee Faires made a motion to accept the April 1st meeting minutes and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Pottier, Raycraft, Bartley, Charles, Spradlin and Faires voted yes.

Dan Crumrine with Riverton Youth Baseball came before the board to introduce himself. Crumrine stated that Riverton Youth Baseball would be donating the fence for the ball diamonds at Field of Dreams. They have received a few bids. The start date for baseball season is May 11<sup>th</sup>; they hope to have the fences up by then. Trustee Charles stated a partnership between the Village and Riverton and Youth Baseball was a great thing. Trustee Bartley noted that Riverton Youth Baseball would get credit on the donor board; the Village appreciates what they are doing. Trustee Pottier asked about insurance for the fence installer. Bartley stated that it was customary to get a certificate of insurance.

Rob Mehan of 904 Lincoln St. came before the board regarding the ongoing problem next door to his home. Mehan believes the builder is violating building codes. Trustee Bartley and Supt. Lyons will meet with Mr. Mehan Wednesday morning at 8:30 am to address his concerns.

Old Business:

Treasurer Tim Laffey stated the budget was finished. The Village revenue was listed at \$6,537,255 and expenditures of \$6,407,992, leaving a surplus of \$129,926. Trustee Pottier made a motion to approve the budget as presented by the treasurer. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. Trustees Pottier, Raycraft, Bartley, Charles, Spradlin and Faires voted yes. Trustee Bartley said he appreciated everyone's efforts to get the budget done. It was the first time in a long time that it has been done before the deadline.

New Business: None

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

Water Department: added two new water services on Lincoln St.; repaired water main break on Kinzie St.; turned water on at parks and checked for leaks.

Sewer Department: repaired blockages at Lucky Horseshoe and 7<sup>th</sup> & Ivy Hill

Street Department: swept curbs & gutters; filled salt bins; Jr. Olympic signs installed.

Electric Department: repaired electrical issue at lift station in Lucky Horseshoe; tree trimming on 7<sup>th</sup> & Madison; preventative maintenance in parks.

Gas Department: dirt work and seeded areas due to new installs; general maintenance & repair.

Field of Dreams: nothing to report.

Parks: trimmed tree limbs at Center Park; worked dirt at ball diamonds; started putting together playground equipment.

Update: four guys certified for fit test on respirators; maintenance and service of weed eaters.

Chief Smith gave the Board a copy of his written report (see attached). Smith received an email from Chuck Keen of Springfield Police Department regarding the State's Police Memorial Day ceremonies on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Springfield Police Department is asking for assistance with providing one officer to assist with traffic control along the precession route. The route requires traffic control at 38 intersections in Springfield. Smith asked the board if they could send one officer to Springfield for a couple of hours to assist. The board agreed.

Smith spoke with a resident regarding alcohol usage at Wheeland Park. The resident had concerns regarding campers becoming intoxicated and creating noise and disorderly conduct issues. The resident indicated that some trustees have told him that alcohol is forbidden in the parks. Smith explained that the Village does have an ordinance that prohibits alcoholic beverages, illicit drugs, and intoxication in the parks. Smith also explained that the Board has allowed campers to consume alcoholic beverages at the campground if no incidents occur. Acting Mayor Bartley referred the issue to the parks committee for further review. The committee will have a recommendation at the next board meeting.

Office Manager Patterson stated the debt recovery program had been pushed back. The comptroller's office started with the bigger cities that had more debt first. Atty. Myers mentioned that he had spoken with Pinnacle Collection Agency's attorney and that he had been fired. The Pinnacle attorney told Myers that the agency has been extremely uncooperative with customers. Myers will contact Pinnacle's new attorney.

Treasurer Laffey stated the discretionary fund balance is \$581,563.19. There will be a public hearing May 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 pm regarding the annual appropriation ordinance. Laffey asked the board's approval on the annual IMTA membership, a valuable resource for the treasurer. Trustee Pottier made a motion to approve the annual IMTA membership in

the amount of \$60. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. Trustees Pottier, Raycraft, Bartley, Charles, Spradlin and Faires voted yes.

Trustee Pottier asked Atty. Myers to contact the recodification company to ask for an extension. The current deadline is May 24<sup>th</sup>. Pottier believes the new board should be involved. Pottier passed out the insurance proposal packets to board members. A decision would need to be made by April 18<sup>th</sup>. An administrative committee meeting was scheduled for Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Pottier noted that he would like Rick Vice, Andy Landgrebe and the union rep to be present. Trustee Bartley made a motion to give the administrative committee the authority to approve the insurance plan pending ratification at the next board meeting. It was seconded by Trustee Spradlin. Trustees Pottier, Raycraft, Bartley, Charles, Spradlin and Faires voted yes.

Trustee Faires noted that Chief Smith spoke with both new officers and they both passed the entry Power Test (physical agility) and completed the first week of training. They are both doing well.

Trustee Spradlin had nothing to report.

Trustee Charles reminded everyone that a work day was scheduled for 9 am, April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Field of Dreams.

Trustee Bartley stated that Safe Routes to School had been finalized at IDOT. Bartley mentioned to Atty. Myers that the Village would need an intergovernmental agreement with the Riverton School District regarding bike racks. The Menard St. overlay project should be sent out for bids soon. Last week Bartley met with the schools regarding possibly rerouting traffic at the elementary school to make it safer. Packets from the governor's office were received regarding a foreclosure prevention workshop; the information can be found by the front office.

Trustee Pottier recognized Martin Vala. Mr. Vala was a board member for 8 years and instrumental in regards to the water plant and zoning issues. Mr. Vala passed away due to injuries sustained at the elementary school. Pottier asked for a moment of silence.

Trustee Raycraft scheduled a Buildings and Equipment Committee meeting for May 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm to open sealed bids from the equipment sale.

Trustee Faires made a motion to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. It was seconded by Trustee Pottier. All agreed.

\_\_\_\_\_ Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk