

## MINUTES

### RIVERTON VILLAGE BOARD

Riverton, IL.

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held their regular board meeting on August 19, 2013 at the Riverton Village Hall, Riverton, IL.

The board meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Those answering roll call: Mayor Tom Rader, Clerk Tiffany Graves; Trustees: Dave Charles, Tina Raycraft, Jim Mileham and Joe Bartley. Trustee Carl Fisher was absent. Also in attendance were: Office Manager Stacy Patterson, Attorney John Myers, Superintendent Alex Lyons and Chief Dave Smith.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to accept the August 5<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Mileham. Trustees Charles, Bartley, Raycraft and Mileham voted yes.

Mayor Rader noted that Kurt Spradlin resigned at the last board meeting and that a volunteer came forward to fill the vacancy as Village Trustee for the next 21 months. Rader welcomed Russ Patrick, a Village resident for the past 3 years with an engineering background. Patrick was sworn in and took his seat after photos were taken to mark the occasion. Trustee Bartley made a motion to appoint Russ Patrick as Village Trustee. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Charles, Bartley, Raycraft and Mileham voted yes. Rader expressed his appreciation for Patrick stepping forward.

Susan Shaw came before the board to obtain a liquor license. Shaw completed a Liquor License application for the former Eagle's building (7075 Old Decatur Rd). The license indicated that "Sweet Betty Jane's Baked Goods and Catering" is applying for a Class BA license for banquet halls. The application lists Central Illinois Event Catering LLC as the corporation of ownership. Trustee Bartley asked about the name and noted that it would need to be exactly what is registered with the State.

Michael Stephens was on the agenda to address the board regarding Wheeland Park. Stephens had already spoken with Trustee Charles prior to the meeting and left before he was called to the podium.

Ralph Willoughby came before the board to ask about the old Eagle's Club and if they still owed the Village money and if so, how much. Mayor Rader stated that he did not know the dollar amount. Ralph insisted that if someone takes over a building, they should be responsible for any past due bills at that building. Mayor Rader noted that it was not fair to charge the new owner. If a person or business files bankruptcy, there is not a lot that can be done about it. Willoughby had another question but instead chose to leave the information with Mayor Rader for review. Willoughby asked about the upcoming event at Field of Dreams and if the Village was donating

money for fireworks. Rader explained that the Village was sponsoring the fireworks as they have done in the past for Riverfest and the Athletic Club.

Two ordinances were on the agenda under old business.

Trustee Mileham made a motion to approve Ordinance #13-016 Adopting a Credit Card Use Policy. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Patrick, Charles, Bartley, Raycraft and Mileham voted yes.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to adopt Ordinance #13-017 Amending Chapter 110 of the Village of Riverton Code of Ordinances by Increasing the Number of Banquet Hall Licenses from One to Two. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Patrick, Charles, Bartley, Raycraft and Mileham voted yes.

Under new business were committee assignments and a resolution honoring Marty Vala.

Mayor Rader noted that with the addition of Russ Patrick to the board, committee assignments had been reorganized. Trustee Patrick will be over public utilities, the administrative committee and parks. Trustee Charles moved from public utilities to economic development and Trustee Fisher moved from economic development to public utilities. Trustee Patrick will serve on the IMEA Board of Directors as the village representative. Trustee Bartley made a motion to approve the committee assignments. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Patrick, Charles, Bartley, Raycraft and Mileham voted yes.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to approve Resolution #13-005 honoring Marty Vala. It was seconded by Trustee Mileham. Trustees Patrick, Charles, Bartley, Raycraft and Mileham voted yes. Resolution #13-005 states whereas, it is the policy of the Village of Riverton to recognize excellence in all fields of human endeavor; and whereas, Martin J. Vala was born September 4, 1923, was a lifelong resident of Riverton, IL and passed away April 8, 2013; and whereas, Martin J. Vala was a United States Navy veteran and served in World War II and the Korean Conflict. After his service, Marty continued to support veteran issues and be involved as a veteran including greeting honor flights in Springfield and assisting in establishing the Spaulding Veteran's Memorial; and whereas, throughout his life, Martin J. Vala was very concerned and active in the community of Riverton, IL serving on the Village Board. During his tenure on the Village Board, he was instrumental in establishing the water purification plant that is still in use today; and whereas, Martin J. Vala was active in other community organizations including coaching youth baseball, member of St. James Church and the Knights of Columbus; and now be it further resolved, that September 4, 2013 be declared "Martin J. Vala Day" in the Village of Riverton, IL. A copy of this resolution will be presented to the family of Martin J. Vala. Adopted by the Riverton Village Board at the regular board meeting of August 19, 2013. Trustee Bartley added that there will be a memorial gathering and dinner in memory of Marty Vala on August 29, 2013 from 6-8 pm at the Route 66 Hotel and Conference Center.

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

Water Department: repaired main break on Rte. 54; added two new water services in Silent Rain Subdivision; air conditioner at water plant still needs replaced.

Sewer Department: general maintenance and repair.

Street Department: patching roads; repaired broken tile on 3<sup>rd</sup> & Blackburn; Menard St. overlay is complete.

Electric Department: cut and trimmed trees and brush on sidewalk from Lincoln to Washington St; ran electric at Field of Dreams for score board and press box area.

Gas Department: general maintenance and repair.

Field of Dreams: hauled grindings to new road and parking lot; working on sidewalk; football scoreboard has been picked up and is getting painted; I-Beam posts were sandblasted and painted.

Parks: mowing and weed eating; added CA-6 around gazebo at Veterans Park and sprayed for weeds.

General Maintenance: spraying for mosquitos and midge flies as weather permits; spraying for weeds.

Updates: painted curbs and posted signs at schools. "Special Thanks" to Williamsville JFL for donating the football scoreboard.

Office Manager Patterson had nothing to report.

Treasurer Duggins stated the discretionary fund balance \$1,061,052.00.

Trustee Mileham, chairman of the Administrative Committee, had nothing to report but noted with the addition of Russ Patrick as the new trustee, he will be setting up an Administrative Committee to discuss the website and go over bids from auditing firms.

Trustee Raycraft, chairman of the Public Safety Committee, mentioned the need for more mosquito spray. Trustee Raycraft made a motion to purchase mosquito spray in the amount of \$2500. It was seconded by Trustee Bartley. Trustees Patrick, Charles, Bartley, Raycraft and Mileham voted yes.

Newly appointed Trustee, Russ Patrick, chairman of the Utility Committee, will have a report at the next board meeting.

Trustee Charles, chairman of the Parks Committee, hopes to have the concession stand and sidewalk complete by September 14<sup>th</sup> for the "Making Dreams Come True" Fundraiser. The 2<sup>nd</sup> ball diamond should be ready by spring. The park is getting lots of use from JFL and soccer. Mayor Rader asked, now that the field is almost 100%, if they were seeking out teams to use it. Trustee Charles noted that the field is already in use a lot. If there were groups that wanted to use it, they need to contact the Village Hall. Charles mentioned that due to the increased usage the bathrooms would now be cleaned 2 times per week.

Trustee Fisher, chairman of the Public Works Committee, was absent. Trustee Bartley noted that the Village was advertising for bids for a sidewalk north of the tracks from Spaulding Street to Sheffler Lane. The bid opening is scheduled for September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

Trustee Bartley, chairman of the Economic Development Committee, had nothing to report.

Chief Smith gave the Board a copy of his written report (see attached). Conrad Erdle contacted Smith regarding a planned anniversary event for his business. Erdle requested a temporary outdoor liquor permit. The planned event will occur Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Smith mentioned that Susan Shaw asked for her liquor license to be effective October 1<sup>st</sup>. The peddler/solicitation license has been renewed for the local driver of Frosty Treats Ice Cream until August 6, 2014. Robert Plunk, retired from IDOT, did a traffic study at the elementary school in the morning and found that between 7 am–8 am approximately 472 vehicles went through the 7<sup>th</sup> and Washington St. intersection.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to adjourn at 7:36 p.m. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. All agreed.

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk