

MINUTES

RIVERTON VILLAGE BOARD

Riverton, IL.

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held their regular board meeting on March 4, 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: Treasurer Tim Laffey, Attorney Barb Myers, Superintendent Alex Lyons and Chief Dave Smith. Office Manager Stacy Patterson was absent.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Trustee Faires made a motion to accept the February 18th meeting minutes and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Pottier, Raycraft, Bartley, Charles, Spradlin and Faires voted yes.

Rick Smith was on the agenda to address the board but was not in attendance. The zoning issue he planned to discuss will be addressed later in the meeting by chairman of the zoning board.

Under Old Business:

Trustee Bartley made a motion to approve Resolution #13-001 for Motor Fuel. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. Trustees Pottier, Raycraft, Bartley, Charles, Spradlin and Faires voted yes.

Jim Mileham came before the board on behalf of the Zoning Board. Mileham stated the zoning board reviewed the preliminary plans for the Washington Place Subdivision. Each of the requests from the October 29th meeting was incorporated into the plan. The Village engineer expressed no objections to the plan. The Planning Commission of the Village of Riverton recommended to approve the preliminary plan of the subdivision. Mileham noted it's not an approval of the final plat, it is a work in progress.

Trustee Faires made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Zoning Board for Washington Place Subdivision. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Pottier, Raycraft, Bartley, Charles, Spradlin and Faires voted yes.

There was nothing to discuss under new business.

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

Water Department: repaired main break in Lucky Horseshoe; continuing to replace several stopped meters; general maintenance on equipment at water plant.

Sewer Department: jetted and vacuumed out several blocked areas; general maintenance and repair.

Street Department: several days of snow and ice removal and salting roads; patching roads.

Electric Department: replaced rotten pole on Blackburn St.; building meter sets for upgrade in Lucky Horseshoe; general maintenance and repair.

Gas Department: changed out several stopped gas meters; ICC will be here working with Tim this week; several call outs on leak detections.

Field of Dreams: no update

General Maintenance: no update

Update: 3 loads of ball diamond dirt have been ordered; nylon side brooms installed on street sweeper; Menard St. had core samples done Friday for overlay.

Chief Smith gave the Board a copy of his written report (see attached). During the last two weeks, the Police Department filed reports on several ordinance violations. A notice was given regarding a property in the 700 block of East Madison St. The residence has roofing issues and a large amount of brush growing in the rear of the property. Another property in the 300 block of Madison was sent a notice for a garage with holes in the roof and it appeared to be structurally unsound. An abandoned vehicle notice was given to a resident in the Hilltop Mobile Home Park. This vehicle had parts removed and flat tires. Also at the Hilltop Mini Storage, abandoned vehicle notices were issued for 22 vehicles. Some of these vehicles had flat tires and vehicle or engine parts missing. Smith stated he followed up with the state police regarding the Trustee Raycraft's issue with the state trooper that has been in town. Smith was told the Sergeant would look into it. The sergeant told Chief Smith if Riverton residents are having issues with the officer, they need to contact state police with their complaints. Trustee Bartley noted the ordinance violations on East Washington are in the county and will be handled by the county. Trustee Pottier asked Chief Smith about the ordinance violation reports filed. Smith replied that the reports were internal; however, the residents receive a notice.

Office Manager Patterson was absent. Trustee Bartley noted that if anyone should have questions, to contact her at the office tomorrow.

Treasurer Laffey stated the discretionary fund balance is \$646,532.89. He continues to work on the budget. The proposed budget will be available at the next meeting

Trustee Pottier thanked Treasurer Laffey for the discretionary fund history. Pottier noted it was 'that time of year'; he would begin working on health insurance for Village employees. Pottier attended both the IMEA and IMUA meetings and continues to watch out for the best interest of the Village.

Trustee Faires stated the SRO vehicle should be back on Friday and with school being on break, he asked the board for their thoughts on Officer Landgrebe utilizing the car during that time to get the kinks worked out before school is back in session. There were no objections. Faires reported that on the evening of February 27th, Chief Smith and Officer Landgrebe conducted compliance checks on the local over the counter tobacco retailers. This was performed as the second round of checks under the grant from the Illinois Liquor Commission. Three businesses were compliant and one was given a notice to appear for violation of selling to minors. It was first time the business failed a compliance check.

Trustee Spradlin stated the Public Utility Committee Meeting had a meeting Monday, February 25, 2013 at 6 p.m. at the Village Hall. Trustee Bartley, Trustee Faires, Marty Vala, Rob Mehan, Rick Vice and Trustee Spradlin were present. Spradlin stated they discussed water rates for seniors and compared water rates from 15 different surrounding Village's. Spradlin noted that more questions were raised than answered. Such as, regarding senior water rates, should the community take on the burden for seniors? No decisions were made. Spradlin requested an executive session to discuss personnel.

Jim Good, a member of the audience, asked if the board could divulge what business sold to minors. Chief Smith requested the individual file a FOIA request.

Trustee Charles stated the Riverton Girls Softball League is going to have a clean-up day March 23rd. Estimates are being sought for the 2 baseball diamond fences. The playground equipment will be delivered to Center Park this month.

Trustee Bartley stated the engineer did core samples on Menard St. last Friday for the overlay project. He received the documents from the engineer and the intergovernmental agreement for the sidewalks/bike racks.

Trustee Raycraft scheduled a Buildings and Equipment Committee Meeting for March 7, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall to discuss library improvements.

The Board went into closed session at 7:33 p.m. with a motion from Trustee Spradlin and a second from Trustee Raycraft. This meeting is closed pursuant to Chapter 102, paragraph 42, of the Illinois Revised Statutes of the Open Meeting Act regarding personnel.

The board went into open session at 8:07 p.m. with a motion from Trustee Spradlin and a second by Trustee Pottier.

Trustee Pottier made a motion to take the appropriate action on termination of a Village employee. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Pottier, Raycraft, Bartley, Charles, Spradlin voted yes. Trustee Faires abstained.

Trustee Pottier made a motion to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. It was seconded by Trustee Spradlin. All agreed.

_____ Mayor

_____ Date

_____ Clerk