

MINUTES  
RIVERTON VILLAGE BOARD  
Riverton, IL.

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held their regular board meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the Riverton Village Hall, Riverton, IL.

The board meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. Those answering roll call: Mayor Tom Rader; Trustees: Joe Bartley, Dave Charles, Carl Fisher, Jim Mileham, and Russ Patrick. Also in attendance were: Treasurer Lashonda Fitch, Office Manager Stacy Patterson, Superintendent Alex Lyons, Attorney John Myers, and Chief Smith. Trustee Raycraft was absent.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to approve September 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting minutes and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Patrick. Trustees Bartley, Charles, Fisher, and Patrick voted yes. Trustee Mileham abstained.

Old Business:

Updates from village engineer on projects- Kevin Kuhn stated that he's left the plans for 8<sup>th</sup> street with the village for their review and noted that the plans for 5<sup>th</sup> Street should be done this week. Mayor Rader inquired about potential sidewalk replacement on 5<sup>th</sup> street. Kuhn stated that will be part of the project near the railroad tracks and replacement of additional sidewalk will wait until the completion of the street project. Trustee Bartley noted that there are two properties that we will have to get a right of way dedicated.

New Business:

No new business

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

Water Department:

- 1) Replaced water main break on Blackburn
- 2) Removal of old water plant started
- 3) Started removal of old retention tank, water feeds and under drain unhooked
- 4) Ordered water pipe and parts for Route 36 Extension

Sewer Department:

- 1) Jetted out sewer mains at Lucky Horseshoe and Ivy Hill Subdivision

Street Department:

- 1) Removal of sidewalks and adding dirt to side of walkways

Electric Department:

- 1) Replaced transformer on 7<sup>th</sup> and Jefferson
- 2) Replaced hit utility pole on 3<sup>rd</sup> and Lincoln
- 3) Bored in new electric lines at tennis court so we can remove overhead power

Gas Department:

- 1) Parts all in for main and service replacement at 5<sup>th</sup> from RR tracks to Menard Street. 5<sup>th</sup> will remain open at this time.

Field of Dream:

- 1) Nothing to report

Parks:

- 1) Worked on setting up for Spaulding Veteran Memorial Festival at Field of Dreams

Updates:

- 1) Time scheduled for training with R.E. Pedrottie Co.
- 2) Salt ordered- will be here in October
- 3) Rock is in for oil and chipping roads (hope to oil next couple of weeks)
- 4) Grass mowed on 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Lincoln- per Chief Smith
- 5) Mowing and weed eating and spraying for mosquitos

Chief Smith gave the Board a copy of his written report (see attached).

Chief Smith noted that the new officer Nicole Murphy started September 15<sup>th</sup>. The village's annual visit with Santa will be held on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. The Community Room is reserved for that Friday and Saturday. He also mentioned that Officer Landgrebe is injured and currently off work until his doctor decides the proper course of treatment. Officer Lawley will be covering the schools at this time.

Office Manager Patterson, noted that the village has turned over \$7,114.66 more to Illinois Comptroller's Office on 9/3/14. As of today's date we have collected \$17,864.18 and we are waiting on \$1,321.50 to go through the process.

Treasurer Fitch, had nothing to report.

Trustee Mileham, chairman of the Administrative Committee, had nothing to report.

Trustee Raycraft, chairman of the Public Safety Committee, was not in attendance, but Trustee Bartley stated that prior to the meeting himself along with Attorney Myers, Chief Smith, and Kevin Kuhn went to look at two properties. One off the corner of 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Allen Drive and the other 814 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street. They are severely overgrown and have been chronic problems over the years. The village is looking into what else can be done for this problem other than ordinance violation warnings.

Trustee Patrick, chairman of the Public Utility Committee, stated that they are in need of a new water test kit as the current one is broken and at least 30 years old. The total cost, which includes supplies needed, is \$4,062. Trustee Charles asked if there if any additional testing needed for this purchase. Superintendent Lyons stated that no they are familiar with this device and it is just a newer model.

Trustee Patrick made a motion to approve the purchase of the new water test kit for \$4,062. Trustee Bartley seconded. Trustees Patrick, Bartley, Charles, Fisher, and Mileham voted yes.

Trustee Charles, chairman of the Parks Committee, stated that they want to start on the tennis courts next week, but they need fence posts painted and put up before they can start and this is weather permitting. He mentioned that he found someone he might be interested in doing the memorial bricks and is looking into it. Last, this past weekend's celebration at the Field of Dreams went well, although attendance was low due to lack of advertising and weather on Friday. Trustee Mileham suggested adding better lighting from the parking lot to the event, as he had multiple people comment on that.

Trustee Fisher, chairman of the Public Works Committee, asked for an update on the backhoe. Superintendent Lyons stated that they are going to reevaluate and may need to re bid. Mayor Rader mentioned that the village will be looking into replacing or fixing additional bad sections of sidewalks through town as necessary next year.

Trustee Bartley, chairman of the Economic Development Committee, stated that he would like Treasurer Fitch to be part of Illinois Municipal Treasurer's Association and attend their annual meeting. Membership fee, cost of the meeting, hotel, and food and gas is estimated to be no more than \$1,000.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to approve the treasurer's membership plus trip at the cost of \$1,000. Trustee Mileham seconded. Trustees Bartley, Mileham, Fisher, Charles, and Patrick voted yes.

Trustee Bartley mentioned that the holiday lights decorating contest will be coming up soon. He asked the Trustees to look at the handout he provided with upcoming events in Riverton so they can decide on dates and details. This is to be placed on next meeting's agenda. Also, the IMEA annual Banquet is October 17<sup>th</sup> at the Crowne Plaza. Last, Duggin's Design Center is going to have an advertisement ad on Channel 20 and they are wanting to include and highlight the great things that Riverton has to offer. The filming is Wednesday at 9:00 am.

Mayor Rader stated that in the past the village has participated in the Clearlake Township Family Wishes Program and inquired if the village would like to participate this year as well. He also wanted to thank village employees for their help with the celebration this past weekend.

Trustee Fisher made a motion to donate \$500 to Clearlake Township Family Wishes Program. Trustee Mileham seconded. Trustees Fisher, Mileham, Bartley, Charles, and Patrick voted yes.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to Adjourn at 7:44. Trustee Mileham seconded. Trustees Charles, Bartley, Patrick, Fisher, and Mileham voted yes.

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

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