

MINUTES
RIVERTON VILLAGE BOARD

Riverton, IL.

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held an Appropriation and Budget Hearing at 6:45 on April 20th, 2015 at the Riverton Village Hall, Riverton, IL. There was a five minute break for public comment, but no one spoke.

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held their regular board meeting on April 20th, 2015 at the Riverton Village Hall, Riverton, IL.

The board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Those answering roll call: Mayor Tom Rader; Trustees: Joe Bartley, Dave Charles, Russ Patrick, Carl Fisher, Jim Mileham, and Tina Raycraft. Also in attendance were: Superintendent Alex Lyons, Office Manager Stacy Patterson, Attorney John Myers, and Chief Dave Smith.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to approve April 6th meeting minutes and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Mileham. Trustees Bartley, Mileham, Fisher, Patrick, Charles, and Raycraft voted yes.

Don Gray, new Sangamon County Clerk, came forward to address the board. He introduced himself and said that he is honored to be taking over after Joe Aiello. He spoke of his plan to bring the vital records services out to villages and towns once a month, as a convenience to citizens.

Old Business:

Ordinance 15-015 -Amending Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Riverton Pertaining to No Parking Zones (Blackburn Street).

Trustee Bartley made a motion to approve Ordinance 15-015 -Amending Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Riverton Pertaining to No Parking Zones (Blackburn Street). Trustee Raycraft seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Mileham, Bartley, Fisher, Charles, and Patrick voted yes.

Trustee Fisher suggested that a letter be sent out to residents advising them of this change.

Trustee Raycraft made a motion to purchase a new engine for the SRO vehicle, three year/100K mile warranty included, for \$5,200, from S&K Buick. The amount will be taken from asset forfeiture funds. Trustee Bartley seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Milham, Bartley, Fisher, Charles, and Patrick voted yes.

New Business:

Ordinance #15-014 Approving Appropriation Budget for FY 2015-2016 was tabled until next meeting.

The renewal of Village Dental and Life Insurance was sent to the insurance committee for review and their recommendations are to accept the terms and renew for a \$36/month total increase. The coverages do not change.

Trustee Mileham made a motion for new the dental and life insurance. Trustee Bartley seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Mileham, Bartley, Charles, and Patrick voted yes. Trustee Fisher voted no.

Discussion regarding Vertical Bridge cell tower and Crown Castle cell tower lease-

It was stated that for the last couple months, the Vertical Bridge cell tower located at the Field of Dreams, has not paid. Earlier this year the company had sent an email to the village requesting a break, but there was no response from the village to them. The village was receiving around \$1,500 per month. Attorney Myers said there is a 60-day termination notice in the contract, but they haven't provided that notice. The other cell tower lease agreement with Crown Castle is \$1,390. This month they received a check for a little over \$1,000. The decrease in pay was never discussed. Attorney Myers will bring more information back to the board about these towers for the next meeting.

The dumpster program was discussed next. Due to the village having to pay for the disposal of electronics, it was agreed that prices will increase to \$5 per computer and \$10 per TV, beginning in August.

Trustee Raycraft made a motion to accept the increase in fees for the dumpster program. Trustee Bartley seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Mileham, Bartley, Fisher, Charles, and Patrick voted yes.

Trustee Raycraft made a motion to approve the new squad car equipment totaling \$7,823 each, plus installation not to exceed \$2,000 each. Trustee Patrick seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Mileham, Bartley, Fisher, Charles, and Patrick voted yes. This amount will be taken from the asset forfeiture fund.

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

Water Department:

- 1) Removed old valves at Well House #3.
- 2) Added concrete floor for new generator at Well #3.
- 3) Turned on water at all parks.
- 4) Repaired water service on 5th Street.

Sewer Department:

- 1) 5th Street sewer project: waiting on RR to complete drainage, repair sidewalks, curb, gutter, and dirt work.
- 2) 8th Street sewer mains should be completed this week.
- 3) Removed several blockages at Lucky Horseshoe.

Street Department:

- 1) New sidewalk on Menard and broken drive on 4th Street-added dirt and grass seed.
- 2) Ditch works on Riverton Road.
- 3) Cleaned storm drains and swept curbs and gutters.
- 4) Patch roads.
- 5) Installed new culvert on 10th Street.

Electric Department:

- 1) Tree removal at Well House #3.
- 2) Installed eight cameras at Center Park.
- 3) Ran underground electrical wire to Well House #8.

Gas Department:

- 1) Removed tornado siren at Garage #4 for repair.
- 2) Repaired service due to tree limb on service line.
- 3) Tree and limb removal on 8th Street.

Parks:

- 1) Working on broken merry-go-round.
- 2) Fish for Veteran's Park put in today.
- 3) Sprayed for weeds at Veteran's and Wheeland parks.
- 4) Ditch work and new culvert at FOD.
- 5) Installed two new fire pits and repaired and leveled up all other pits.
- 6) Mowing and weed eating.
- 7) Added rock to Wheeland Park.

Updates:

- 1) Fishing derby dates- June 12th and 13th.
- 2) Ordered piping and grinder pump for FOD.
- 3) Ordered granular weed control for parks.
- 4) Proposal for new 5 ton A/C unit.

Chief Smith presented his report.

He added that Ron Smith had contacted him Monday with an update on the N. 5th St. property. There has been a lot of progress. He still needs to remove windows, doors, and burnable items, etc. An update on the Long Elevator property stated that things are still being hauled away and

nothing new is being brought in. Trustee Fisher suggested a deadline be set for all of this to be done. The Mayor said that it was previously discussed that June 1st was set. He stated that they can talk to the owner again and get everything in writing.

Office Manager Patterson, had nothing to report.

Treasurer Fitch was not in attendance.

Trustee Mileham, chairman of the Administrative Committee, stated that the Riverton 311 app will start development on May 1st.

Trustee Raycraft, chairman of the Public Safety Committee, had nothing to report.

Trustee Patrick, chairman of the Public Utility Committee, stated that he brought a list of non-collectable utility accounts totaling \$11,861.83, with some dating back to 2008. He mentioned that some are bankruptcies and some are deceased. Others had gone to collections and statute of limitations comes into play. Trustee Fisher pointed out that the village has an ordinance that pertains to landlords being responsible for the bill if a tenant leaves without paying. Liens against a property, applying for utilities, and having a higher deposit requirement were discussed.

Trustee Patrick made a motion to approve the 2015 utility write off. Trustee Bartley seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Mileham, Bartley, Charles, and Patrick voted yes. Trustee Fisher voted no.

Trustee Charles, chairman of the Parks Committee, stated that it has been discussed that the South boat ramp at Wheeland Park be reopened. It is shorter and worse in low water; however it will be reopened with appropriate signage.

Trustee Charles made a motion to close Wheeland Park to camping on July 3rd for the KC 4th of July Celebration. Trustee Raycraft seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Mileham, Bartley, Fisher, Charles, and Patrick voted yes.

Trustee Charles made a motion to approve \$3,000 for fireworks for the KC 4th of July Celebration. Trustee Fisher seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Mileham, Bartley, Fisher, Charles, and Patrick voted yes.

Trustee Charles mentioned that Riverton is on the top of the list at All Weather Courts to start the tennis courts. New bricks around the flagpole at the Field of Dreams are being etched. The score board for the soccer field has been ordered and youth baseball would like to install a home-run fence at the field.

Trustee Fisher, chairman of the Public Works Committee, stated that IDOT has approved this year's Motor Fuel fund through this calendar year.

Trustee Fisher made a motion to have Kevin Kuhn prepare bid documents for Douglas Street repairs. Trustee Bartley seconded. Trustees Raycraft, Mileham, Bartley, Fisher, Charles, and Patrick voted yes.

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

Mayor Rader had nothing to add.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to go into Executive session at 8:18 for possible property acquisition, imminent litigation, lease of village property, and personnel discussion. Trustee Patrick seconded. Trustees Bartley, Mileham, Fisher, Patrick, Raycraft, and Charles voted yes.

The board went into open session at 9:05 with a motion from Trustee Bartley. It was seconded by Trustee Mileham. Trustees Fisher, Patrick, Mileham, Charles, Bartley, and Raycraft voted yes.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to adjourn at 9:05. Trustee Raycraft seconded. Trustees Fisher, Patrick, Charles, Bartley, Mileham, and Raycraft voted yes.

_____ Mayor _____ Date

_____ Clerk