

Village of Richmond

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES July 15, 2014

The Community Development Committee meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

Present: Trustees David Kielpinski and Ramsin Wardanian.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Village Clerk/Collector Karla Thomas.

Public Present: Gary and Debbie Tiritilli

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the July 1, 2014 committee meeting were reviewed.

Trustee Wardanian moved, seconded by Trustee Kielpinski to approve the July 1, 2014 minutes as presented. Motion approved by voice vote.

Unfinished Business: Trustee Kielpinski reported that he had been in contact with Josh Arnow regarding bike racks. Mr. Arnow has installed one on the Doyle Property and also installed one at the Rusty Nail in Ringwood. Trustee Kielpinski stated that he preferred the style/material of the bike rack in Ringwood over the one at Doyle's. The committee discussed that the price of the bike rack needs to meet the donated funds and determine that one bike rack would be sufficient to meet the Village's needs. The committee decided that benches would be purchased through Barco. The Village is to pay for plaques to be placed on each item paid for through donations. Trustee Kielpinski will attempt to get a dollar amount of the donation.

Trustee Kielpinski stated that Mr. Yunker owner of Yunker Industries is still looking at relocating his business in the Richmond Industrial Park and would be constructing a 100,000 to 150,000 square foot facility. Trustee Kielpinski will follow-up with Mr. Yunker and then contact Joyce McArdle.

Trustee Wardanian will follow-up with the Village President regarding the status of the Ramirez property and then email Joyce McArdle of the status.

Trustee Kielpinski stated that he and Phil Gilardi are on the same page to make Richmond a Restaurant destination. The committee briefly discussed parking.

The property owned by Mr. Jones (old Magnolia's) was discussed regarding the exterior maintenance. The Clerk mentioned that the Code Enforcement Officer has contacted the realtor and mailed the owner a municipal code violation letter requested that the property be mowed.

Public Comments: Gary Tiritilli asked about the Village's rights regarding eminent domain.

New Business: Joyce McArdle reported to the committee that Gary Schrams is interested in industrial property located on Commercial Street. She explained the type of business he would be operating. The Clerk reported that the Village President has a 3:00 PM meeting scheduled with him today. Mrs. McArdle reviewed the July 2014 Recruitment Results stating that she will finish the month by following up with Micro-brewery, Bike shops, and Resale. She also stated that Hardware Manufacturing is another area to consider. She then presented the Phone Contact Summary of Business Contact Results for the period of September 2013 to July 2014. She distributed other documents for the committee to review. Trustee Kielpinski stated that he is working with World Trade Illinois and the Harvard Motorola property. He will be working to encourage a Chinese firm interested in that property to house executive in our community, as well as, ancillary companies to Richmond. Mrs. McArdle presented a sample of a Developer Packet and suggested that the committee work with her to develop one for the Village as the next step in the process to market Richmond for economic development. She suggested that the packet once completed be mailed to 25-50 commercial realtors. Trustee Kielpinski stated that the committee meets with Scott Lessor and Peter Bell to see if they would be interested in having their properties included. Mrs. McArdle then presented a draft proposal of her renewal contract, which would include the Developer Packet process and the continuation of her recruitment. She also reported that she had been in contact with Chip Eldredge and added several properties he owns to the Available Property Listing, which she will update and send via email to the Clerk.

Debbie Tiritilli suggested that the LTPC and CDC work together to make sure the Village comprehensive/vision plans agreed with the economic development being discussed.

Adjournment: *With no further business to discuss, Trustee Wardanian moved, seconded by Trustee Kielpinski to adjourn the July 15, 2014 Regular Community Development Committee meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Karla L. Thomas, Village Clerk/Collector