

**Village of Richmond
Community Development Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

September 16, 2014

-AMENDED-

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM.

Present:

Trustees: Ram Wardanian, David Kielpinski, and Scott Drabant.

Others Present:

Peter Koenig, Karla Thomas

Approval of Minutes:

A motion to accept the 9/2/14 minutes Community Development Committee was made by Scott Drabant and seconded by David Kielpinski. Minutes accepted the minutes by voice vote.

Old Business:

Trustee Kielpinski informed the committee there is no status change regarding the benches or the bike racks.

Chair Wardanian brought up the topic of the UDO and its relationship to signs and trees. After a short discussion it was determined the committee will look at similar ordinances from like towns/villages as comparators. The committee will address this item again at the next meeting. It was noted that signs need a permit prior to placement. Trustee Drabant inquired into the process by which permits are issued. It was noted there is not written procedure for this process. The permit forms are in the 'Business Packet' which will be shared with the committee at the next meeting.

President Koenig informed the committee of the change in ownership of the Hunter Country Club golf course. It is now in the possession of a bank. Status of the bank's intentions is unknown at this time.

The committee was also informed that the village arborist is not appointed due to potential conflict of interest with the tree business his company does with the village.

New Business:

Trustee Kielpinski relayed to the committee that the EDC (economic development corporation) has not given due justice to the northern part of the McHenry county. Under new leadership, the EDC is reaching out to communities to promote up to five properties. The committee discussed the various properties which would best exhibit growth potential in the Village. The Peter Bell property on Tyron Grove road has rail road access, electric and close sewer/water connections. Other properties discussed were the North Ami Drive properties and the weight station property – both highlighted in packet being prepared by Joyce McArdle. Trustees Wardanian and Kielpinski will meet Scott Lessor, manager of property for Peter Bell.

Public Comments:

None

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss Trustee Drabant moved, seconded by Trustee Wardanian to adjourn at 6:10 pm. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by Scott Drabant, Trustee