

Village of Richmond

INCORPORATED 1872

Village President Peter Koenig called the September 17, 2015 Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:07 PM, 5600 Hunter Drive, Richmond, Illinois.

Everyone in attendance rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Village President Peter Koenig; Trustees: Dennis Bardy, Scott Drabant, Craig Kunz, David Nelson, Lauri Olson and Ramsin Wardanian.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Police Chief Ciro Cetrangolo, Village Clerk Karla L. Thomas, Public Works Supervisor Bill Price, Village Attorney David McArdle and Village Engineer Sean Murphy.

Minutes from the September 3, 2015 Regular Board Meeting were reviewed. Trustee Drabant requested changes to the 2nd paragraph, 1st sentence under Unfinished Business, and the 1st statement under Trustee Comments. President Koenig requested a change to the 1st motion under New Business.

Trustee Drabant moved, seconded by Trustee Olson to approve the September 3, 2015 regular Board meeting minutes as amended. The motion was approved by voice vote. Trustee Wardanian abstained.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: The Board reviewed the revised 9/4/15 task list. It was suggested that the Board review the task list and prioritize the top (5) items for discussion, in order to get items accomplished. It was also suggested that the task list be reviewed once-a-month instead of each Board meeting. Trustees were asked to rate the items and email their responses to Trustee Drabant. President Koenig reported that Township has installed (2) tornado sirens this year and is still interested in sharing the expense of a siren at the Wastewater Treatment Plant; however, it would be budgeted for Fiscal Year 2016/2017. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Wonderlic to have the entrance property he owns mowed. Attorney McArdle stated that the Charter Franchise Agreement was being finalized; he will email the document for review and asked that the matter be placed on the next Board agenda. Attorney McArdle reported that to-date there have been no objections filed by the interested parties of the house located at 10104 Main Street regarding the Village's intent to demolition; he did state that some of the notices mailed were returned.

The Board reviewed the revised architectural proposal from Beasley/Anselmo for Memorial Hall.

Trustee Drabant moved, seconded by Trustee Wardanian to approve the Proposal for Architectural Services for Remodeling and Renovation Work at Memorial Hall with the omission of the Exterior Masonry Stabilization. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: BARDY, DRABANT, NELSON, OLSON, and WARDANIAN. NAYS: KUNZ. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Beasley to inform him of the Board's approval of the proposal.

The Board discussed school impact fees. President Koenig proposed (3) options: do nothing, eliminate the fees for a period of time, or reduce the amount of the impact fees for a period of time. Comments were made by both Dr. Dan Oest and Kim Meier. There was a consensus of the Board to waive the school impact fees for 1-year and re-evaluate after reviewing the effect on sales. A resolution will be prepared for the next Board meeting with the impact fees waiver taking effect November 1, 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board reviewed the requests to use of the intersection of Route 12 and 173 by both the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Knights of Columbus (September 18-20, 2015) and the YMCA Camp Duncan (June 4 & 11, 2016) for fundraising.

Trustee Wardanian moved, seconded by Trustee Nelson to grant both organizations the use of the intersection of Route 12 and 173 for the dates requested. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

There was no discussion regarding the agenda item (c) "Discuss Parking on Broadway" under New Business.

COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FINANCE: Trustee Bardy reported that the Finance committee met to review bills.

Trustee Wardanian moved, seconded by Trustee Bardy to approve Warrant#2015/16.05.02 in the amount of \$43,688.66 as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: BARDY, DRABANT, NELSON, OLSON, and WARDANIAN. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: KUNZ. The motion carried.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Trustee Drabant reported that the committee continues to work on upcoming events and finalizing the purchase of a projector, in order to show movies and provide users of Memorial Hall the ability to make presentations. He also noted that Jim May will be hosting a storytelling event at Memorial Hall on October 24 at 3:00 PM for kids and an associate will be performing Dracula for older kids. Trustee Drabant asked that the Board waive fees for this event. He also reported that the committee reviewed (2) sign face changes; one for Pantry Express and another for Gardner's Corner, which were approved. Trustee Drabant requested that the Deputy Clerk provide the entire Board with copies of all sign applications and images. He reported that the committee's modification/additions to the sign ordinance regarding sign variances and the Village welcome signs will be on the next Board agenda. Engr. Murphy voiced concerns regarding the location of the welcome signs and that further investigation should take place before making any changes.

AD HOC LONG TERM PLANNING COMMITTEE: Trustee Drabant reported that he is expecting a phone call regarding the grant application submit to Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) for assistance with updating the Village's Comprehensive Plan.

POLICE: None.

ENGINEERING: Engr. Murphy reported on (2) types of products that can be used to fix the downtown sidewalk on Main Street noting that both products are durable and look like concrete. He reported that he had provided the Village with a boundary map. Engr. Murphy will pursue the Stormwater issue at the pallet company on Route 12.

PUBLIC WORKS: Supervisor Price reported that the signs for west Broadway were ordered 3-4 weeks ago and should be arriving soon. He reported that the bucket truck listed for sale on an auction website got (35) hits; however, the highest bid was \$10,000.00. The Village placed a reserve of \$21,000.00 on the site. He reported that an individual has offered \$15,000.00 for the bucket truck via a phone call. There was a consensus of the Board to sell the vehicle to this individual. An ordinance will appear on the next Board agenda to authorize the sale of surplus property. Supervisor Price and President Koenig will meet to update the public works punch list, in order to be proactive.

VILLAGE CLERK: None.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: President Koenig reported that the State of Illinois is again looking at cutting off LDGF to local municipalities, which is income the Village receives from state income tax. McHenry County Council of Government and other Council of Government groups are working on a response to State Legislators, who believe local municipalities are sitting on large sums of reserves. The Village of Richmond receives approximately \$90,000.00 over a 12-month period and uses this revenue to provide services to the community.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS: Trustee Drabant questioned whether the Village's sign ordinance pertaining to Political signs is in compliance with State law. Attorney McArdle will look into the matter and reported back at the next Board meeting.

With no further business, Trustee Kunz moved to adjourn the September 17, 2015 regular Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Wardanian. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla L. Thomas, Village Clerk