

VILLAGE OF RICHMOND
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2010
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PRESIDING: President Olson called the October 21, 2010 board meeting to order at 7:00pm at Richmond Village Hall, 5600 Hunter Drive.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: President Lauri Olson; Trustees: Ingrid Danler , Charlotte Hollenbach, Pete Koenig, Karla Thomas
ABSENT: Trustee Bardy, Trustee Kielpinski
OTHERS PRESENT: Village Attorney, David McArdle, Village Administrator, Tim Savage, Village Engineer, Ed Coggin

Minutes from the October 7, 2010 meeting were reviewed. *Trustee Koenig moved, Seconded by Trustee Danler, to approve the minutes, as amended, of the October 7, 2010 board meeting. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. ABSENT: Bardy, Kielpinski.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board reviewed Fiscal Year 2010, Treasurer's Report.

Trustee Danler moved, seconded by Trustee Koenig, to approve Fiscal Year 2010, Treasurer's Report. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. ABSENT: Bardy, Kielpinski.

President Olson gave a presentation on the proposed US Fish & Wildlife, Hackmatack National Wildlife Refuge. The reason for this discussion was to consider how a wildlife refuge impact the Village of Richmond, and to compile questions to present to the Agency, in order to gain information for the Village to plan into the future.

Previously, the Friends of Hackmatack, presented to the Village, a proposal of a wildlife refuge. including conducting a viability study, in which the study area was defined, and is now in the process of being studied. The study area includes Lake&McHenry counties in Illinois, and Kenosha, Racine and Walworth counties in Wisconsin

The Board offered their comments and questions on the project; the general consensus is to collaborate with the Agency to ensure smart planning, development, and Richmond's future economic viability.

President Olson opened the discussion to the Public for comment at 7:30pm. Cindy Skurud , representing the Friends of Hackmatack (FoH), indicated that Richmond is already a gateway to many natural resource assets, and they supports the Village in benefitting from this proposed refuge. Residents Roy Wulfen and Rommy Lopat voiced their support of the project and the Board's participation in working closely with the Agency to ensure a development that would benefit the Village. Ms. Lopat concurred with President Olson, that some of the benefits of the project would include: ecosystem preservation, environmental preservation, and

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aesthetic value to the Community, in which Richmond could capitalize upon. Beth White, representing the Trust for Public Land, (www.tpl.org) indicated her organization would share information regarding the Hackmatack viability study, with the Village.
Public comments closed at 7:47pm

The Board reviewed the appeal of water shut off for the property located at 10610 Main Street. The Village offered a payment plan, to the resident, to which the Board supported.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: President Olson announced a preliminary planning meeting for the Christmas of Yesteryear was held.

TRUSTEE'S COMMENTS: Trustee Koenig indicated that the National Honor Society would be interested in running BooFest, next year. Trustees Kielpinski and Koenig, presented the Economic Business Incentive Plan to the Richmond Township Board; the Township Board will vote on the Economic Business Incentive Plan at their next meeting.

CLOSED SESSION: NONE

With no further business, Trustee Koenig moved to adjourn the October 21, 2010 Board Meeting, Seconded by Trustee Danler. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Danler, Hollenbach, Koenig, and Thomas. Nays: None. Absent: Bardy, Kielpinski. Motion approved

Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm

Vanessa Everett
Village Clerk