

Village of Richmond

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-AMENDED-

Village President Peter Koenig called the December 17, 2015 Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:03 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, Craig Kunz, David Nelson and Ramsin Wardanian.

ABSENT: Trustees Scott Drabant and Lauri Olson.

OTHERS PRESENT: Village Clerk Karla Thomas, Village Attorney David McArdle and Village Engineer Sean Murphy.

Minutes from the December 3, 2015 Regular Board Meeting were reviewed.

Trustee Kunz moved, seconded by Trustee Wardanian to approve the December 3, 2015 Regular Board meeting minutes as presented. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS: President Koenig announced that the staff Christmas luncheon will be held on December 22nd at Noon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board reviewed a budget amendment for the demolition of the house located at 10104 Main St.

Trustee Kunz moved, seconded by Trustee Bardy to approve the fiscal year 2016 budget amendment for demolition of the house located at 10104 Main Street. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FINANCE: Trustee Bardy reported that the Finance committee met to review and approve bills, discuss the budget amendment and budgeting for demolition of the Nippersink House in FY 2017.

Trustee Bardy moved, seconded by Trustee Wardanian to approve Warrant#2015/16.08.02 in the amount of \$67,806.28 as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: BARDY, WARDANIAN and KOENIG. NAYS: KUNZ. ABSENT: DRABANT and NELSON. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: None.

POLICE: None.

ENGINEERING: None.

Attorney McArdle reported that the bank holding the mortgage on the Nippersink House is considering releasing its lien on the property which would remove the bank from any future action against the property. Discussion continued that if that release was provided, the owner might be willing to permit the demolition or even deed the property to the Village which would eliminate any need for court action to demolish the structure. The Board agreed that the discussions should move forward but before any court action takes place, the Village Board must review its 2017 Budget.

PUBLIC WORKS: None.

VILLAGE CLERK: The Village Clerk reported that the next set of agendas and board packets will be going on earlier than normal due to the holiday Wednesday, December 30th, any additions to the agenda should be provided no later than 4 PM on Tuesday, December 29th.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: President Koenig noted that the Clerk had prepared a detailed memo regarding 2015 Christmas of Yesteryear, which was very successful.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS: Trustee Kunz asked if there was any update on the IEPA Loan. President Koenig reported there was nothing to report.

Trustee Kunz raised a question regarding the Food Pantry. President Koenig stated that the ComEd. billing will be put into the Village's name.

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CLOSED SESSION: President Koenig announced that the Board needed to go into closed session for the approval/annual review of closed session minutes (ILCS 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)).

Trustee Bardy moved, seconded by Trustee Kunz to go into closed session for the purposes of Approval/Semi-Annual Review of Closed Minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)). ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: BARDY, KUNZ, and WARDANIAN. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: DRABANT, NELSON and OLSON. ABSTAIN: NONE. Motion carried.

The Board went into Closed Session at 7:21 PM. Trustee Nelson arrived at 7:30 PM.

Trustee Bardy moved, seconded by Trustee Kunz to return to Open Session. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: BARDY, KUNZ, NELSON AND WARDANIAN. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: DRABANT and OLSON. ABSTAIN: NONE. Motion carried.

The Board came out of closed session at 8:02 PM.

Roll call was then taken, present were: President Koenig, Trustees Bardy, Kunz, Nelson and Wardanian, Clerk Thomas, and Attorney McArdle.

ACTION RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION: The Board approved and the released the Public Works Committee Closed Session minutes dated September 15, 1994, December 15, 1994, and February 15, 1995; the Economic Development Committee Closed Session minutes dated March 8, 2006; the Finance Committee Closed Session minutes dated June 17, 2014; and Board Closed Session minutes dated June 18, 2015. The Clerk will prepare a Resolution for the next Board meeting.

The Board reviewed the previously approved Closed Session minutes of the Finance Committee dated July 16, 2013 and September 3, 2013 and the previously approved Closed Session minutes of the Village Board dated May 16, 2013, February 20, 2014, September 18, 2014 and February 19, 2015 and determined that the need for confidentiality still exists; therefore they would not be released for public viewing.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla L. Thomas, Village Clerk