

# Village of Richmond

## INCORPORATED 1872

**Village President Craig Kunz called the August 15, 2019 Board Meeting to order at 7:01 PM, 5600 Hunter Drive, Richmond, Illinois.**

Everyone in attendance rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Village President Craig Kunz, Trustees: Dennis Bardy, Robert Elliott, TJ Fulmer, Frank Peiler and Ramsin Wardanian.

**ABSENT:** Trustees Gina Garbis.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Police Chief Ciro Cetrangolo, Director of Public Works Brett Postl, Attorney David McArdle and Village Clerk Karla L. Thomas.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** President Kunz read a letter received from the Richmond/Spring Grove Food Pantry asking for cash contributions to help restock the Pantry's shelves and meat freezer. He stated that contributions would be appreciated.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Katie Anderson, on behalf of her father Leif Anderson of Anderson Candy, reported difficulty getting in contact with the Code Enforcement Officer. They also thought they had addressed the code violations; however, there is a trial date set for October and, therefore, would like to know what the outstanding issues are regarding this matter.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The Board reviewed the items on the consent agenda.

- a. Approval of Regular Board Minutes for August 1, 2019
- b. Authorization to Expend Funds for Warrant Fiscal Year 19/20.04.02 in the amount not to exceed \$200,000.00
- c. Approval of a Resolution Adopting a Policy for Downtown Street Pole Banners
- d. Approval of the Special Event Permit Application for Richmond Brathaus to close E. Broadway from Rte. 12 to the Island and use of Stevens Park for Richmond Brathaus Oktoberfest to be held Saturday, September 28, 2019 from 8 AM to Midnight

*Trustee Wardanian moved, seconded by Trustee Peiler to approve the consent agenda, approving the Regular Board minutes for August 1, 2019, authorization to expend funds for Warrant Fiscal Year 19/20.04.02 in the amount of \$36,951.51, approving the Resolution Adopting a Policy for Downtown Street Pole Banners, and approving the Special Event Permit Application for Richmond Brathaus to close E. Broadway from Rte. 12 to the Island and use of Stevens Park for Richmond Brathaus Oktoberfest to be held Saturday, September 28, 2019 from 8 AM to Midnight as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: BARDY, ELLIOTT, FULMER, PEILER AND WARDANIAN. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GARBIS. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried. (Trustee Fulmer abstained on item A)*

**NEW BUSINESS:** Jason Vohs and two associates from IPR discussed the McMahon solids handling evaluation for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). It was recommended that the Village consider the implementation of a mechanical dewatering process or add five additional reed beds. It was noted that revenue received from Septic Hauling needs to go back into repairs and improvements to the plant. Grants are available for improvements and should be considered.

Public Works Director Postl reported that Monday both valves associated with the Nippersink watermain were opened and daily monitoring is taking place. He would like to wait until winter to determine if there is a leak in the system.

President Kunz read Proclamation#2019-02 announcing September is National Suicide Prevention + Action Month.

### **COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**FINANCE:** Trustee Wardanian reported that the committee is reviewing changes to the Municipal Code regarding Parks and possible rental fees, etc. He announced that he had forwarded information received from Attorney McArdle to the Finance Committee members regarding Lobbyist services. Additionally, the committee will be meeting with Joyce McArdle on September 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss applying for Community Development Block Grants for re-lining of water/sewer infrastructure and ADA compliance for replacement of the front and back door on the Village Hall. Trustee Wardanian reported that he had also distributed a draft document on dispersing interest from the Investment Fund to the committee and Village President for review and comments. The committee will be meeting with Nick Minkov regarding portfolio strategy as soon as he will be available.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** Trustee Elliott reported that a possible Facebook page could be implemented upon completion of a Social Media Policy and approved software is budgeted for Fiscal Year 2021. The committee reviewed the modified liquor ordinance and will discuss it further at their next meeting. Trustee Elliott presented the proposed new logo for the Village. President Kunz asked if other options, other than, the current and new image were going to be presented. It was noted that a colored version of the proposed new logo would be used on the Village website, newsletter, licenses and permits and a black and white version would be used on Village letterhead, envelopes, etc. There was a unanimous consensus of the board to move forward with the new logo. No slogan or motto has been discussed or considered. A font, pitch, etc. will be addressed at the next meeting pertaining to the letterhead.

**POLICE:** Chief Cetrangolo reported that Village issued cellphones will be changed out and AT&T will be the service provider at a slight increase, but fixed rate.

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**PUBLIC WORKS:** Director of Public Works Postl reported that the East St. Lift station pump has been installed and the department is waiting for a switch. The Liberty St. Lift station pump has been delivered and will be installed either Monday or Tuesday next week by the Public Works Staff. He also reported that several Public Works Staff members have been out sick, so the department was down to one person a few days this week.

**ENGINEERING:** None.

**VILLAGE CLERK:** Clerk Thomas reported that legislative changes have resulted in an increase from five video gaming terminals allowed at a single location to six. The Board directed the Clerk to modify video gaming forms to permit establishments to have up to six video gaming terminals.

Clerk Thomas also reported on the phone hacking issue and that a block has been established on international phone calls. The Board directed the Clerk to have a Radicom tech come in to address possible security issues.

**ATTORNEY:** Attorney McArdle provided an update on the Grindley case. President Kunz and Chief Cetrangolo will work through the matter internally.

Attorney McArdle reported on the Hasselburg bankruptcy and the Village's position regarding its lien on the property.

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:** President Kunz addressed the subject of Lucky Girl and the limited work being done to the property. He is considering revoking the liquor licenses based upon the provision in the liquor code with the majority of the Board in agreement.

President Kunz reported that the PowerPoint presentation from the Cannabis luncheon hosted by MCCG and ZRFM has been distributed. He asked that Board members review all the information provided and be prepared to make a decision on the matter on either September 5<sup>th</sup> or September 19<sup>th</sup>.

President Kunz also reported that Joyce McArdle contacted him that the owners of Super Aggregates is interested in mining the former Hunter Country Club property for 10-15 years and then would develop homes around the lake created. The Board directed President Kunz to contact Ms. McArdle and ask her to inform the owners of Super Aggregates that the Village is not interested in the proposition.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS:** Trustee Elliott thanked the Public Works staff for cleaning Memorial Hall.

Trustee Peiler noted that the Public Works staff did a good job on the blacktop patching.

**CLOSED SESSION:** President Kunz announced that the Board needed to go into closed session for Personnel-The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)).

*Trustee Peiler moved, seconded by Trustee Wardanian to go into closed session for the purposes of Personnel-The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)). ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: BARDY, ELLIOTT, FULMER, PEILER and WARDANIAN. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GARBIS. ABSTAIN: NONE. Motion carried.*

The Board went into Closed Session at 9:13 PM.

Roll call was then taken, present were President Kunz, Trustees Bardy, Elliott, Fulmer, Peiler and Wardanian, Attorney McArdle, Chief Cetrangolo and Clerk Thomas.

The Board reconvened at 10:10 PM.

**ACTION RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION:** None.

*With no further business, Trustee Peiler moved to adjourn the August 15, 2019 Regular Board Meeting, seconded by Trustee Bardy. The motion was approved by voice vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karla L. Thomas, Village Clerk