

Village of Richmond

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Village President Craig Kunz called the November 7, 2019 Board Meeting to order at 7:02 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, Gina Garbis and Frank Peiler.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Police Chief Ciro Cetrangolo, Attorney David McArdle and Village Clerk Karla Thomas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Kunz announced that the final Curbside Leaf Vacuuming would take place on Friday, November 22, 2019 by Prairieland Disposal.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

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

- a. Approval of Regular Board Minutes for October 17, 2019
- b. Authorization to Expend Funds for Warrant Fiscal Year 2019/20.07.01 in the amount not to exceed \$200,000.00

Trustee Fulmer moved, seconded by Trustee Peiler to approve the consent agenda, approval of the Regular Board minutes for October 17, 2019 and authorization to expend funds for Warrant Fiscal Year 2019/20.07.01 in the amount of \$88,997.44 as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: BARDY, ELLIOTT, FULMER, GARBIS and PEILER. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board discussed the Finance Committee recommendation estimated amount of money to be levied for the 2019 Tax Levy. The aggregate amount of \$494,749, which reflects a 1.5% increase plus new construction. President Kunz reported that he had spoken with the Village Auditor who recommended asking for 1.9% (COLA plus new construction) resulting in an aggregate amount of \$496,698. The Board agreed with Trustee Bardy's request that the Village begin increasing the levy moving forward, as the Village had previously levied flat plus new construction for the last three years. Because of levying flat, the Village has lost needed revenue as expenditures have continued to increase. The insurance item to be discussed next on the agenda is an example of a substantial increase in expenditures.

Trustee Peiler moved, seconded by Trustee Garbis to approve the estimated amount of money to be levied for the 2019 Tax Levy in the aggregate amount of \$496,698.00 (1.9% plus new construction). ROLL CALL: AYES: BARDY, ELLIOTT, FULMER, GARBIS and PEILER. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

President Kunz announced that after going out to bid for General Liability, Workers Compensation and Cyber Liability Insurance coverage, the lowest bid was \$126,015.00. He reported that this was approximately \$38,000.00 more than last year and was due to the increase in claims filed resulting in higher loss ratios.

Trustee Fulmer moved, seconded by Trustee Bardy to approve the General Liability, Workers Compensation and Cyber Liability Insurance proposal totaling \$126,015.00 by Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. and authorize the Village President to sign contract documents as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: BARDY, ELLIOTT, FULMER, GARBIS and PEILER. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed an Ordinance Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property. Chief Cetrangolo reported that the (2) HMMWV (High-Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles) were acquired through the Illinois Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) free on behalf of the Richmond Township Fire Department. He noted that the Fire Dept. has had the use and responsibility of maintenance of the vehicles for the last 5 years.

Trustee Fulmer moved, seconded by Trustee Bardy to approve an Ordinance Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property and authorize the Village President to sign the Bill of Sale to the Richmond Township Fire Protection District for (2) HMMWV in the sum of \$10.00 and other consideration as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: BARDY, ELLIOTT, FULMER, GARBIS and PEILER. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

President Kunz presented an Ordinance Amending Chapter 14, Offenses against Public Peace, Safety and Morals, Section 14.01 of the Richmond Municipal Code regarding Disorderly Conduct. It was noted that this is a minor language amendment required as part of the legalized use of cannabis.

Trustee Garbis moved, seconded by Trustee Peiler to approve an Ordinance Amending Chapter 14, Offenses against Public Peace, Safety and Morals, Section 14.01 of the Richmond Municipal Code regarding Disorderly Conduct as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: BARDY, ELLIOTT, FULMER, GARBIS and PEILER. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

President Kunz reported that the MFT documents for Fiscal Years 2011 and 2018 Road Programs were required as part of the MFT audit.

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Trustee Bardy moved, seconded by Trustee Garbis to approve the MFT Resolution and Estimate of Maintenance Costs for FY 11, the MFT Supplemental Resolution, Revised Estimate of Maintenance Costs, Maintenance Expenditure Statement and Maintenance Engineering to be Performed by a Consulting Engineer for FY 18 as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: BARDY, ELLIOTT, FULMER, GARBIS and PEILER. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed the 5-year Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the McHenry County Gang Task Force. Chief Cetrangolo recommended continued participation.

Trustee Fulmer moved, seconded by Trustee Garbis to approve entering into the McHenry County Gang Task Force Intergovernmental Agreement as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: BARDY, ELLIOTT, FULMER, GARBIS and PEILER. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FINANCE: Trustee Bardy reported that the committee met to pay the bills, reviewed the bid proposal for General Liability/Workers Comp/Cyber Liability Insurance, discussed the cleaning and painting of the water towers, establishment of a Capital Improvement Fund for General, the future of Memorial Hall, implementation of bi-monthly water billing and discussed the building permit fees. Several of these items will be addressed during the Fiscal Year 2021 budget process.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Trustee Elliott announced that the Veterans Day event is scheduled for Sunday, November 11th. A ceremony will take place beginning at 1 PM at Memorial Hall with a free dinner donated by Rosati's of Richmond and Angelo's Fresh Market. Trustee Elliott asked Trustees to help serve meals. Trustees Elliott, Garbis and Peiler, as well as, President Kunz and his wife agreed to help.

POLICE: The Chief reported that Trunk 'n Treat was well attended and thanked Kristen Murphy for her help with and at the event. He also thanked Trustee Bardy for hosting a trunk and encouraged others to participate next year. The Chief estimated that 250 people attended the joint event with the Fire Dept. and Nippersink Library. Chief Cetrangolo distributed the October 2019 monthly activity report.

PUBLIC WORKS: President Kunz reported that Jon Schmitt, the interim Superintendent of Public Works, would return to work on Monday after having surgery. President Kunz noted that Tim Koenig is doing an excellent job directing staff and that the Public Works Department is now fully staffed.

ENGINEERING: President Kunz reported that he would be reaching out to Baxter & Woodman to have them begin preparing bid documents for Water Tower Cleaning and Painting as part of the FY 2021 budget.

VILLAGE CLERK: None.

ATTORNEY: Attorney McArdle reported that the Jones case has been continued to January 16, 2020.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: President Kunz asked for a Trustee to volunteer to attend the McRide subcommittee meetings scheduled the 1st Tuesday every three months beginning in February. Getting no volunteers President Kunz will be attending the meetings.

President Kunz announced that Steve Reich would be at Main Street Coffee on Saturday, November 10 from 10-11:30 am to address questions from the public.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS: Trustee Fulmer inquired into the status of the Lucky Girl development. President Kunz reported that the owners are applying for a small business loan, due to the passing of one of the partners. There has been several groups interested in developing the property.

Trustee Elliott congratulated RBCHS Football Team on being 10-0.

Trustee Garbis announced that a new Richmond Business Association has been formed. They recently hosted Fall Fest, which was well attended. Other future events being hosted by the group include Tannenbaum Square Christmas Market in conjunction with Christmas of Yesteryear on December 6, 7 & 8 will have crafters and art vendors present, a Hot Cocoa Walk is scheduled for December 15th, and a Holiday Dash to support Shop Small/Shop Local, businesses will be offering discounts and freebies. This new organization is looking to create events to generate more traffic and welcome visitors to Richmond.

CLOSED SESSION: None.

ACTION RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION: None.

With no further business, Trustee Peiler moved to adjourn the November 7, 2019 Regular Board Meeting, seconded by Trustee Garbis. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Karla L. Thomas, Village Clerk