

# Village of Richmond

## INCORPORATED 1872

Village President Craig Kunz called the March 16, 2020 Special Emergency Board Meeting to order at 5:30 PM, 5600 Hunter Drive, Richmond, Illinois.

### ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Village President Craig Kunz; Trustees Robert Elliott, Frank Peiler and Toni Wardanian.

ABSENT: Trustees TJ Fulmer and Gina Garbis.

OTHERS PRESENT: Public Works Supt. Jon Schmitt, Attorney Brad Stewart and Village Clerk Karla Thomas.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

BONAFIDE EMERGENCY FINDING: Atty. Stewart provided the findings of fact that a bonafide emergency has occurred as follows:

- Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a potentially severe acute respiratory infection caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SRAS-CoV-2). The virus was first identified as the cause of an outbreak of pneumonia of unknown cause in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, in December 2019; and
- On March 9, 2020, Governor J. B. Pritzker declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area; and
- On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic; and
- On March 22, 2020, McHenry County Board Chair Jack D. Franks proclaimed that a disaster emergency exists for the County of McHenry; and
- Governor Pritzker issued Executive Order 2020-04 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 2), cancelling all public and private gatherings in the State of Illinois of 1,000 people or more to implement social distancing; Governor Pritzker issued Executive Orders 2020-05 and 2020-06 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 3 and 4), closing all public and private schools through March 30, 2020; and Governor Pritzker announced on Sunday, March 15, 2020 that all bars and restaurants in the State of Illinois will be closed to the public through March 30, 2020

*Trustee Peiler moved, seconded by Trustee Elliott to find that there is a bonafide emergency, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2.02(a), warranting this special meeting of the Village Board as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: ELLIOTT, PEILER, WARDANIAN, AND KUNZ. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: FULMER AND GARBIS. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.*

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19): Atty. Stewart reviewed the following items for consideration and action:

- Proclamation of Local Disaster Emergency by the President proclaiming a local disaster emergency;
- Motion to approve the Continuation of Proclamation of Local Disaster Emergency for the Village of Richmond to April 20, 2020;
- Motion to approve an Ordinance Amending Chapter 3, Village Administration, Section 3.14, Emergency Services and Disaster Agency, of the Richmond Village Code Pertaining to a Local State of Emergency providing for the exercise of extraordinary powers by executive order of the President during a state of emergency with the Village;
- Activation of Power under Ordinance No. 2020-05, previously adopted with the limitation that all executive orders are responsive to the Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and a copy of each executive order be filed with the Village Clerk, be sent to the Board of Trustees, and posted on the Village's website within 24-hours of being ordered by the President; and
- Such other emergency actions relating to Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

*Trustee Wardanian moved, seconded by Trustee Elliott to combine all pending action into one item as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: ELLIOTT, PEILER, WARDANIAN, AND KUNZ. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: FULMER AND GARBIS. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.*

*Trustee Peiler moved, seconded by Trustee Elliott to approve all items as combine as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: ELLIOTT, PEILER, WARDANIAN, AND KUNZ. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: FULMER AND GARBIS. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.*

*With no further business, Trustee Wardanian moved to adjourn the March 16, 2020 Emergency Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Elliott. The motion was approved by voice vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 5:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Karla L. Thomas, Village Clerk