

Village of Richmond

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MINUTES SPECIAL REMOTE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING Tuesday, April 27, 2021

REMOTE ZOOM MEETING ID: 845 3371 5645

Village President Craig Kunz called the April 27, 2021 Special Board Meeting to order at 7:00 PM, via Remote Web Meeting held on Zoom, Richmond, Illinois.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT REMOTELY: Village President Craig Kunz; Trustees Robert Elliott, TJ Fulmer, Frank Peiler, Toni Wardenian and Linda Weiss.

ABSENT: Trustee Gina Garbis.

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

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE REMOTELY INCLUDED: Adrienne Adams, Chez Benoit, Timmi Bierman, Jean Bolash, Allison Kessel-Clark, Lily Clark, Caroline Czaplicki, Scott Drabant, Heather & Sam Everly, Amy Fulmer, James Gerasco, Peter Gussie, Bill Kenney, Rosemary Kessel, Lori Kirkelie, Susan Klouda, Northwest Herald Reporter Sam Lounsbury, Adam Metz, Lauri Olson, Rachel Prickett, and Don Rose.

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 10308 MAIN STREET (MEMORIAL HALL) SURPLUS PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF RICHMOND PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THE REAL ESTATE CONTRACT WITH SH CAPITAL LLC: President Kunz present a Resolution Authorizing the Sale of 10308 Main Street (Memorial Hall) Surplus Property Owned by the Village of Richmond pursuant to the terms of the real estate contract with SH Capital LLC. He asked if the Board had any questions or comments regarding the documents. There was no response.

Trustee Wardenian moved, seconded by Trustee Peiler to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Sales of 10308 Main Street (Memorial Hall) Surplus Property Owned by the Village of Richmond pursuant to the terms of the real estate contract with SH Capital LLC. ROLL CALL: AYES: ELLIOTT, FULMER, PEILER, WARDANIAN, WEISS, and KUNZ. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GARBIS. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Clerk Thomas read an emailed public statement on behalf of Peter Gussie.

Allison Kessel-Clark commented that she was disappointed in the Board intent to make the building cost neutral and she asked the Board to prove her wrong.

Rachel Prickett voiced concerns of loss memories and that the crowning piece of Richmond is gone.

Scott Drabant presented reasons for not needing to sell Memorial Hall, the lack of transparency and leadership by the Board.

Jean Bolash commented that she was disappointed by the Board and the lack of communication with the community.

Lily Clark commented that she hopes only good things come from this decision.

Bill Kenney, Administrator of the Illinois Historic Group Directory, noted that this is not a unique situation, that his group offers support for historic preservation and urged the Board to listen to the people.

Sue Klouda voiced concerns that the Board has lost the trust of the public and urged them to reconsider their decision.

With no further business, Trustee Wardenian moved to adjourn the April 27, 2021 Special Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Weiss. The motion was approved by ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: ELLIOTT, FULMER, PEILER, WARDANIAN and WEISS. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GARBIS. ABSTAIN: NONE.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Karla L. Thomas, Village Clerk