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Village President Toni Wardanian called the August 15, 2024 Board Meeting to order at 7:00 PM, 5600 Hunter Drive, Richmond, Illinois.

Everyone in attendance rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Village President Toni Wardanian, Trustees: Robert Elliott, Craig Kunz, Adam Metz, Frank Peiler and Linda Weiss.

ABSENT: Trustee James Gerasco.

OTHERS PRESENT: Police Chief/Village Administrator Ciro Cetrangolo, Supt. of Public Works Jon Schmitt, Mgmt. Analyst Kristen

Murphy, Attorney Brandy Quance and Village Clerk Karla Thomas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

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

- a. Motion to approve the Regular Board Minutes for August 1, 2024
- b. Motion to authorize the Expenditure of Funds for Warrant Fiscal Year 24/25.04 in the amount not to exceed \$328,400.53
- c. Motion to approve waiver of fidelity bond for Richmond/Spring Grove School Districts#2 and #157 regarding Raffle License
- d. Proclamation announcing the month of September 2024 "Hope For The Day's National Suicide Prevention & Action Month"

Trustee Peiler moved, seconded by Trustee Elliott to approve the consent agenda item 7a through 7d as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: ELLIOTT, METZ. PEILER and WEISS. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GERASCO. ABSTAIN: KUNZ. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Elisa Bonkowski and Mark Kolczaski, Village Engineers, with Baxter & Woodman provided the Board with a recap of the IEPA SRF Loans for municipal water projects. The three (3) water projects include the Prairie Ridge Road Water Main Replacement (Phase 1), the Water Main Looping (Phase 2) and the Lead Service Line Replacement (Phase 3). It was proposed that Phase 1 and 2 be combined for an estimated cost of \$1,460,000.00 in 2025. Under the IEPA Loan Program this program's rules, which Richmond qualifies for is 66% principal forgiveness up to \$5,000,000.00, 1.40% interest rate with a 30-year term. The annual Debt Service Cost would be \$20,400.00. If there was no Principal Forgiveness than the Annual Debt Service Cost would be \$59,900.00. The loan program is a reimbursement program; fees for planning and design may be reimbursed after the loan agreement is executed. The application does not obligate the Village to receive a loan. No obligation until the agreement is signed and if the Village opts to hold on the projects, the design can be shelved. The Phase 3 project would be for replacement of 104 service lines from the main to the meter. The estimated cost for this project is \$2,550,000.00 in 2026. The Village will benefit from the IEPA's low interest rates and principal forgiveness. If the Principal Forgiveness is 100% the Annual Debt Service Cost would be \$0. The Village would have to lay out the money initially, but would be completely reimbursed. If there was no Principal Forgiveness then the Annual Debt Service Cost would be \$85,000.00. Engr. Bonkowski noted what Board action would be required to proceed and presented an anticipated project schedule for the Phase 2 project. There was a unanimous consensus of the Board to move forward with the projects. A work order for planning and design by Baxter & Woodman will be placed on the next Board Agenda.

President Wardanian presented a motion to approve IDOT Resolution utilizing MFT (Motor Fuel Tax) funds in the amount of \$364,496.00 for FY 2024 Road Program.

Trustee Metz moved, seconded by Trustee Elliott to approve IDOT Resolution utilizing MFT (Motor Fuel Tax) funds in the amount of \$364,496.00 for FY 2024 Road Program as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: ELLIOTT, KUNZ, METZ, PEILER and WEISS. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GERASCO. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

President Wardanian presented a motion to approve IDOT Resolution utilizing RBI (Rebuild Illinois) funds in the amount of \$123,504.00 for FY 2024 Road Program.

Trustee Peiler moved, seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve IDOT Resolution utilizing RBI (Rebuild Illinois) funds in the amount of \$123,504.00 for FY 2024 Road Program as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: ELLIOTT, KUNZ, METZ, PEILER, and WEISS. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GERASCO. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

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President Wardanian explained that the next two (2) ordinances were brought before the Board to cleanup redundancy within the Code.

President Wardanian presented a motion to approve An Ordinance Repealing Chapter 20, Public Restrooms of the Richmond Municipal Code. It was explained that Public Restrooms are mandated by the Illinois Plumbing Code, Appendix A.

Trustee Weiss moved, seconded by Trustee Metz to approve An Ordinance Repealing Chapter 20, Public Restrooms of the Richmond Municipal Code as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: ELLIOTT, KUNZ, METZ, PEILER, and WEISS. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GERASCO. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

President Wardanian then presented a motion to approve An Ordinance Amending Chapter 34, Building Regulations, Section 34.00(c) Code Adopted of the Richmond Municipal code.

Trustee Metz moved, seconded by Trustee Peiler to approve An Ordinance Amending Chapter 34, Building Regulations, Section 34.00(c) Code Adopted of the Richmond Municipal Code as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: ELLIOTT, KUNZ, METZ, PEILER, and WEISS. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GERASCO. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

President Wardanian presented An Ordinance Amending Chapter 34, Building Regulations, Adding Section 34.01(f) to Amendments of the Richmond Municipal Code.

Trustee Peiler moved, seconded by Trustee Elliott to approve An Ordinance Amending Chapter 34, Building Regulations, Adding Section 34.01(f) to Amendments of the Richmond Municipal Code as presented. ROLL CALL: AYES: ELLIOTT, KUNZ, METZ, PEILER, and WEISS. NAYS: NONE. ABSENT: GERASCO. ABSTAIN: NONE. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Trustee Elliott announced that the committee held a joint Regular Community Development Committee Meeting and Special Board Meeting on Monday to discuss the concept plan for the Veterans Memorial proposed to be relocated to the front Village Hall lawn. Members of the American Legion and Bob Stevens discussed the history establishing the Memorial and that they were not in support of it being moved. President Wardanian reported that a Special Board Meeting will be scheduled in the future to further discuss the Village's proposed concept design and relocation for the Memorial.

ADMINISTRATION/POLICE: Village Administrator/Chief provided the following updates/information:

Schools start back on Monday, August 19th.

PUBLIC WORKS: Supt. Schmitt reported that the South Water Tower should be back in operation on Tuesday and the North Water Tower Project will begin September 16th with that tower down for 30-days, weather permitting. He also reported that he met with the contractor regarding the 2024 Road Program and work should begin the Tuesday after Labor Day. This project is anticipated to take 30-days.

VILLAGE CLERK: None

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: President Wardanian thanked everyone for attending the Special Board Meeting that took place in conjunction with the CDC meeting on Monday.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS: Trustee Kunz thanked President Wardanian for the Cannabis information. He also thanked Mgmt. Analyst Murphy for providing the Budget vs. Actual report and requested that it be provided to the Board at the 2nd monthly meeting along with fund balances from the General, Water/Sewer and Investment Portfolio moving forward.

Trustee Metz asked who would be invited to attend the Special Board Meeting regarding the Memorial. President Wardanian noted that all Village residents and business owners will be invited to participate in a discussion regarding the matter.

CLOSED SESSION: None.

ACTION RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION: None.

With no further business, Trustee Kunz moved to adjourn the August 15, 2024 Regular Board Meeting, seconded by Trustee Peiler. The motion was approved by voice vote.



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Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla L. Thomas, Village Clerk

Karla S'Ann, emc