

**May 14, 2013**

Village of Rapids City  
Rock Island County, Illinois

This Regular Board meeting was called to order by President Rankin at 7:00p.m.

All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Present - Corson, Eggers, Hemm, Bird, Dopler, and Schneider.

Absent –

Also Present –Clerk Price, Ryan Bump, Attorney Fuller, Sarah Ford, Doug DeBlaey, Don Clark, Steve Haring, Tara Moffitt(Brooks Attorney), Chief Fuller, Janelle Fuller, C.J. & Susie Brooks, Curt Brooks, Chris Kinkade, and Judy Clark.

A quorum was established.

At this time the newly elected officials President Rankin and Don Clark were sworn in. Then the appointed officials were sworn in which were: Clerk Price, Trustees-Hemm, Dopler, and Schneider. Outgoing Trustee Eggers thanked the board and the employees for everything and said to remember to let civility be your guide.

**CONSENT “Omnibus” Agenda:** Corson motioned to approve 4/9/13 regular meeting minutes, 4/9/13 closed minutes, 4/23/13 Special minutes, 4/23/13 closed minutes, 4/13 Treasurer’s Report, and 5/13 bills adding tax bill in the amount of \$211.42/Schneider seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

**PRESIDENT-Rankin:** The city received a thank you from the prom committee.

**POLICE REPORT - Chief Fuller:** Report as presented. The waste committee needs to meet to discuss illegal dumping at the boat dock area. We need to put a no dumping sign there and lock the dumpster. There is an inoperable vehicle that has sat on the side of the road for 9 months on 13<sup>th</sup> Street. Chief stated he will take care of it.

**FIRE REPORT- Chief Carey:** Report as presented.

**ATTORNEY - Fuller:** There have been new developments since the last meeting with the River Bend Subdivision. The two parties have come to an agreement. C.J. Brooks has purchased lot 37 in the 5<sup>th</sup> addition and has agreed to sell it to DeBlaey in exchange for him to rescind his offer for lot 196. Brooks’ want the village to vacate the subdivision, leaving the sewer easement and rezoning the property to A-R. DeBlaey has agreed to rescind his offer and the village has agreed to return his earnest money. Procedurally everything has been done to rezone to A-R and that can be voted on today. There is an issue concerning livestock in the village limits. The ordinance book has conflicting restrictions. In zoning A-R livestock is allowed, but in a nuisance ordinance livestock is not allowed. The board has been given a written document to sign vacating the plat. When this plat is vacated the streets and curb will be gone also. The plat will be vacated except for the sewer easement. The water will need to be capped off. C.J. will dig it up and the village will be there to verify it. It will be a mutual thing. C.J. is going to come off of 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue with a new water line. Fuller said as far as the engineering plat that this instrument is fine. DeBlaey rescinded his offer and Brooks’s offer of \$2175.00 was accepted. Collectively they have a settlement agreement they want the village to sign. In Paragraph 7, representations and warranty, the village has completed all those things. There is a clause however, that if the village fails to do any of these things, they can file suit against the village for specific performance and attorneys fees. Bird said to take that clause out completely. They agreed to do this. Brooks said his plan was to plant alfalfa not to raise livestock. They agreed to put in the settlement agreement not to raise livestock and for its successors. The village can sign the settlement agreement and take out specific performance. Schneider motioned to accept the rezoning from R-1 to A-R, put in the settlement agreement no livestock, vacation of the plat but reserving the sewer easement, allow capping the water, rescinding DeBlaeys bid for lot 196 and by resolution except C.J. Brooks offer for lot 196 of \$2175.00. We can sign the settlement agreement

with the changes stating that we have already done everything in Par. 7 and take out the specific performance/Hemm seconded. Corson, Clark, Hemm, Bird, Schneider voted yes. Dopler voted no. Motion carries.

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**BUILDING & ZONING –Hemm:** 7 permits. Steve Haring distributed project updates. MSA is ready to go and they need to the board to identify who the steering committee will be. They will be identifying areas in the sewer system that needs to be cleaned and televised along with the comprehensive plan. Rankin will contact Steve in the next day or two concerning the committee. Haring reiterated that MSA would be doing a comprehensive plan, inflow & infiltration, and wastewater facility plan. He also said the BAD grant with the IDNR is available this year.

**CEMETERY –Clark:** No report.

**ELECTIONS –Rankin:** No report.

**FINANCE -Corson:** Corson motioned to approve the 2013-14 Appropriation Ordinance/ Dopler seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Corson motioned to approve the 2013-14 Operating Budget/Dopler seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Corson motioned to approve the Article of Agreement of the Bi-State Regional Commission Planning Commission/Bird seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

**ORDINANCE & LICENSES –Clark:** No report.

**PARKS & RECREATION –Dopler:** Dopler stated the new playground equipment for the 14<sup>th</sup> Street Park is delivered and will be assembled on June 1 starting at 9a.m. We need volunteers. Bump said that the bike path lost about 50 feet bank due to the flooding and rains this spring. Bird motioned to have Phoenix repair this not to exceed \$23,000/ Dopler seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Bump will make sure the bank around this is stabilized also. Bump was told he could hire summer help. He has the requirements for this position. Dopler motioned for Bump to rebuild the motor for the mower not to exceed \$1500/Corson seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

**PERSONNEL –Corson:** No report.

**PLANNING –Bird:** No report.

**PUBLIC SAFETY Bird:** No report.

**PUBLIC WORKS –Hemm:** Bump can have the floor of the shop mud jacked in the amount of \$600-\$900 and he can order the new truck. These were put in the Operating Budget for this year.

**SEWER –Schneider:** The sewer numbers are up. Clark mentioned that there may be infiltration from the 15<sup>th</sup> Street drainage ditch.

**WASTE MANAGEMENT – Dopler:** Dopler stated there have been more complaints about Allied. Clean up day is set for Saturday, July 13 at 9a.m.

**WATER –Schneider:** Bump reported he is having the water tower cleaned.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION:** Some people in the audience are having trouble hearing board members.

With nothing further to be discussed Bird motioned/Dopler seconded and President Rankin adjourned this May 14, 2013-regular meeting at 8:07 p.m.

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VILLAGE CLERK