

May 1st, 2019

Village of Rapids City
Rock Island County, Illinois

This Regular Board meeting was called to order by President Mire at 7:00p.m.
All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present – Fiems, Clark, Fowler, Mire, Rankin, Robertson

Absent - Schnieder

Also Present – Attorney Mason, Treasurer Barber, Public Works Director Bump, Chris Cooper of MSA Professional Services, Clerk Housenga, Julie Wildermuth, Judy Clark, Myron Keppy, Chris Uribe, Jim Uribe, David and Jann Wilson, Cathy and Chris Kinkade, Russell Kindade

A quorum was established.

CONSENT “Omnibus” Agenda: Robertson motioned to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes 04/09/2019, Liquor Control Commission Public Hearing Minutes 04/22/2019, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes 04/25/2019, Monthly Bills 05/2019, Treasurers Preliminary Report 04/2019 Clark seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: Jim Uribe from the Rock Island County Tax Reduction Coalition addressed the Board explaining their concerns and informing citizens of the work they do to reduce tax burden of the residents of Rock Island County.

PRESIDENT –Mire: Continued the meeting with extending gratitude and thanking Trisha Thompson – Regional Head of IDOT, Gene Denhart – Hampton Township Road Commissioner, RIEMA, Curt Brooks – lent equipment to aide in flooding, Trustee Rankin for coordinating with RIEMA, and the Public Works employees Ryan Bump and Mark Misfeldt for their work during the flood. Discussion concerning Sulphur Creek and properties along the creek was then addressed. Cooper of MSA Professional Services revisited the optional possible resolutions for creek drainage mentioned at the April 9th, 2019 meeting. Estimated permitting time frames and a comparison worksheet for each option were provided. Permitting could be a lengthy process as the area of the creek is considered a wetland. Cooper has asked for Board consideration to extend the easement agreements as warranty work would not be covered by the time allotted in the current agreements. It was reiterated the project could be broke up in two fiscal years. Residents also gave feedback on the extension of easements. Wildermuth would like to get the project expedited as so as possible to avoid flooding. Mr. Wilson stated he had no issues giving permission for an additional easement. Cooper explained the box culvert, located in the Village right of way, could be possibly be replaced by winter, but turf most likely would not be reestablished by winter. It is suspected the current culvert is rusting, currently on both sides the culvert the bank area is breaking up because the water slams against it. Cooper expressed concerns on the overall project with included maintenance of the channel after work is completed; sentiment will be a continual issue and if it gets built up in the channel how will it get rectified. Robertson motioned to approve MSA Professional Services to complete a survey and complete a plan for the entire project; seek permits as required; execution of Option # 2, the replacement of the 14th Street drainage culvert and associated work included in the scope; authorizing and seek signed temporary easement agreements to expire December 31st, 2020; costs not to exceed \$80,000.00. Fowler seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Mire thanked Cooper for attending the meeting and explaining all materials.

POLICE REPORT – Chief Perley: No report at this time.

ATTORNEY – N. Mason: Nothing to report at this time. Attorney Mason will have easement agreements drafted for residents located between 13th Street and 12th Street. Mason also elaborated he has no issues with Clerk Housenga to modify the current agreements, changing the agreement end date to December 31st, 2020.

FIRE REPORT – Chief Carey: Report as presented. Volunteer Fire Fighters are always needed.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Bump: Nothing at this time.

BUILDING, ZONING & PLANNING – Fiems: Permits for roofing and sheds were taken out last month.

PERSONNEL & FINANCE – Clark: A donation request was received form Birdies for Charity. No motion made to authorize a donation; this was not a budgeted donation.

INFRASTRUCTURE – Rankin: Rankin explained water levels are projected are to crest at 16.4' Levels could vary as the weather forecast changes.

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ELECTIONS – Mire: Mire thanked all resident that offered themselves up for public office. Mire read the Official Abstract of Votes from the Municipal Election on April 2nd, 2019. Mire added the three of the current Board Members, Fiems, Clark and Robertson were reelected.

PARKS, RECREATIONS & CEMETERY – Robertson: Nothing at this time.

ORDINANCE & LICENSES – Schnieder: Nothing at this time.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS, EVENT PLANNING & PUBLIC SAFETY – Fowler: Fowler reported one dumpster of TVs and a half a dumpster of miscellaneous electronics were taken in at the E-Waste event on April 27th. Fowler reminded of everyone of the Veterans and First Responders Luncheon on May 18th from 11am to 1pm at the Community Center. Community Clean up supplies are available at Village Hall through the May 3rd for pick up if anyone chooses to help clean up our town.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None.

There being no further business, Fiems motioned to adjourn Sine Die, and the motion was seconded by Rankin. All present members concurred. Motion carries. The Board adjourned Sine Die at 7:56pm.

OATH OF OFFICE TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES: President Mire swore in Fiems, Clark and Robertson.

President Mire called the meeting to order at 7:39 PM. Clerk Housenga called the roll noting a quorum established.

APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE OFFICES AND STANDING COMMITTEES: Mire noted all Committees and Committee Heads will remain the same.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None.

Mire thanked everyone for coming explaining the Board needed to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Rankin motioned to enter into Executive Session. Fiems seconded. All in attendance agreed at 8:02pm.

Rankin motioned to move back into open session, Fiems seconded at 8:14pm. Mire noted no decisions were made in Executive Session.

Mire asked the Board for approval to allow the Hiring Selection Committee to hire for the Billing Clerk position. Rankin motioned to allow the Mayor and Hiring Selection Committee to select on individual from the three remaining candidates for the Billing Clerk and set the wage as they see fit. Fiems seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

Mire also noted Mark Misfeldt will not be retiring after this year. Summer help will be hired aide the Public Works Department this summer.

Attorney Mason stated he would not be able to attend the June meeting.

With nothing further to be discussed, Fowler motioned to adjourn this Regular Board Meeting; Rankin seconded. All members of the Board concurred. President Mire adjourned this May 1st, 2019 meeting at 8:19pm.

Clerk

