

Village of Rapids City

March 23th, 2020 - Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Rapids City

Emergency Committee of the Whole Meeting to discuss:

- Economic Assistance Plan

President Mire called the meeting of the Committee of the Whole to order at 6:15pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Physically Present: Fiems, Fowler
 Telephonically Present: Rankin, Robertson, Mire, Clark entered meeting at 6:28pm

Absent: Schneider.

Others Present: Clerk Housenga, Nick Mason, Mike Housenga

President Mire opened this Emergency Committee of the Whole Meeting to address an economic assistance plan for Rapids City residents and businesses. Due to many residents and businesses impacted by the COVID-19 stay at home order by the Governor a proposed economic relief package to help each respectively was presented. Historic monetary figures were reviewed to determine the impact of the proposal plan.

Rankin motioned to approve a 50% reduction in sewer and waste fees for the service months of March and April 2020 for residents and businesses. Fiems seconded. All present voted yes. Motion passes. Mire will prepare a letter to be sent utility customers explaining the relief plan to be mailed with the March 2020 bill.

Robertson proposed to waive his Trustee pay for this meeting. Fiems agreed stating this decision to waive pay is for Elected Officials only not employees. This matter will be voted on at the April 14th, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. Attorney Mason reviewed Title I, Chapter 2, Article 2, Section 1 – 1.2 of the Rapids City Code of Ordinances, verifying waiving of the wages may be voted on at a future meeting.

Having no further business to conduct at this time, Fiems motioned to adjourn this Committee of the Whole Meeting, Fowler seconded. The motion passed, President Mire adjourned by consensus of the Board at 6:30pm.

Clerk