

MINUTES

RIVERTON VILLAGE BOARD

Riverton, IL.

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held their regular board meeting on July 20, 2009 at the Riverton Village Hall, Riverton, IL.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.. Those answering roll call: Mayor Todd; Clerk McCullough; Trustees: Raycraft, Pottier, Bartley, Faires, Black and Rader. Also in attendance were: Supt. Stone, Off. Mgr. Viola, Chief Smith, Treasurer Laffey and Atty. Dan Schuering. There were no guests on the agenda.

Mayor Todd asked that it be noted in the minutes that included with the bills was an invoice for RW Troxell & Company for the amount of \$4,118.00. This check is going to be voided and a new check is going to be reissued for half of that amount. It was not correct. Off. Mgr. Viola was not aware of this until 4:15 pm Friday when they called her. At her suggestion it will not be included in the bills and she will reissue a new check when she receives the new invoice. Trustee Faires made a motion to accept the minutes and pay the bills as amended. It was seconded by Trustee Pottier. Trustees Raycraft, Pottier, Bartley, Faires, Black and Rader voted yes.

First item of old business was the Centrex contract. Off. Mgr. Viola stated she recently talked with our representative. The Village currently receives a \$580 credit. A renewal credit of \$400 is taken right off the top and we also receive a loyalty credit of \$180. The monthly charge for the Centrex system is \$171.56. This system combines and links the village phone lines. Off. Mgr. Viola asked Atty. Myers and he said we did not need an ordinance, however the contract needs to be approved and signed. Trustee Faires made a motion to approve the AT & T Centrex Contract. It was seconded by Trustee Pottier. Trustees Raycraft, Pottier, Bartley, Faires, Black and Rader voted yes.

Next on the agenda was the Taser Gun Update. Trustee Pottier wanted to clarify if the board was making the purchase. Trustee Faires asked if it has to be appropriated before we can spend the money. That has been the procedure in the past. Off. Mgr. Viola asked Atty. Schuering, "if the budget has been passed but the appropriation ordinance hasn't, can we expend the monies now for equipment? The Village has an ordinance stating that we have ability to do so without a budget, which they passed at the beginning of the year. Mr. Sherring stated that it was okay to do so. Trustee Faires made a motion to purchase six tasers. It was seconded by Trustee Rader. Trustees Raycraft, Pottier, Bartley, Faires and Rader voted yes with Black voting no.

Trustee Pottier discussed the bond issue. He stated that in order for the Village to come up with a final number on the bond issue we have to have a final number on the water plant which we do not. Pottier suggested since there was a special meeting scheduled for the 29th the matter be tabled until then. The Village needs to make sure that they have the money to cover the Washington Street Sewer project and the additions to the water plant which included an additional softener and compressor. Trustee Pottier asked if everyone received the email he sent out the last Tuesday. The email highlighted what the schedule would be if they added one year and \$200,000. He asked the board if there were any further questions. There were none.

Trustee Faires made a motion to pass Ord. #2009-019 with Sangamon County Animal Control. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Rader, Black, Faires, Pottier, Bartley and Raycraft voted yes.

Trustee Bartley discussed Ace Contracting and their fix on the road which included saw cutting the road and filling the cracks in with filler. The Village received two invoices which are being presented for payment. One invoice is for the contract itself at \$36,769.34. The second invoice was for change one to demo and haul out the extra pavement at \$4,571.28. This project will be paid out of the road and bridge fund. Trustee Bartley made a motion to pay the ACE contracting invoices. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. Trustees Rader, Black, Faires, Pottier, Bartley and Raycraft voted yes.

Next on the agenda is the ordinance to approve the Collective Bargaining agreement for the public works department with the Laborer's International Local #477. Village employee Rick Vice stated that this was the first time he had seen a copy of the contract and that he questions on Section C regarding comp/sick time. Trustee Faires stated that he received notification that the union has to do addendums to this contract. Trustee Bartley added that the committee needs to talk to the union because that was not a paragraph in the original contract and there were no negotiations on that paragraph therefore they need to go back and talk to union. The board agreed to table the issue until the special board meeting July 29th. Mayor Todd will notify Mr. Schaive that the issue has been rescheduled. Trustee Faires clarified the board was tabling the collective bargaining agreements for both the public works and police departments.

Moving on to new business with the oil and chip program; Trustee Bartley stated he handed out a list that Supt. Stone and the Street dept. put together with their recommendations for the oil and chip program. The list totals \$21,108.00. There are 8 projects on the list which will be paid out of the motor fuel fund. Trustee Bartley also recommended the projects be done with white rock. Although it will create dust, the white rock actually binds a lot more and will create a better road. Trustee Bartley made a motion to pass the Oil/Chip program. It was seconded by Trustee Rader. Trustees Rader, Faires, Pottier, Bartley, Black and Raycraft voted yes. Trustee Pottier stated that the Village receives a lot of complaints on the white rock with the dust, but then again you don't find all that pea gravel in the drains and yards, so it is a double-edged sword.

Supt. Stone asked that the ordinance to rezone the property on 7th St from C1 to C2 be tabled until the special meeting on July 29th. There is no ordinance available at this time due to Atty. Myers being on vacation. Trustee Pottier asked Supt. Stone if there was any discussion to be had so that the board would be ready to vote. Stone stated the zoning board had a public hearing. There were no members of the public at the hearing. The petitioner was present and she explained the details to the zoning board.

Supt. Stone gave the Board a copy of his written report (see attached). Trustee Pottier commented that it was nice to see a good letter instead of a negative one for once. He was referring to a letter of commendation to Street Dept. employees Jim Ford, John Hughes and Coy Squires for a job well done. Supt. Stone stated the EPA has issued the permit for the Washington Street Sewer project. Trustee Bartley said the next step would be for Petersburg Plumbing and Heating to start the work. Supt. Stone stated when he last talked to Petersburg Plumbing and Heating they said it would probably be August before they got to it. Mayor Todd stated a call should be made to Petersburg Plumbing and Heating just to make sure they are still on track. Trustee Pottier said he wanted to request they start and would like to know what the start date would be. Trustee Faires asked Supt. Stone to clarify one thing on his report: that lineman be

included in the dumpster duty program. Trustee Black stated no, not if we have to pay them time and a half. Supt. Stone explained that one Saturday per month the Village sends an employee to help Clearlake Township with the dumpster program for four hours. Four hours paid at time and a half. Supt. Stone stated the lineman asked him to bring it up so he did. The board discussed this and decided against it. Trustee Pottier asked about the village lineman that was bitten by a dog? Supt. Stone stated that he hadn't heard, the employee went home, that truthfully it wasn't that bad although he was sent to the doctor as a precaution. Supt. Stone noted that he doesn't know why but other village employees have been reporting problems as well with dogs being aggressive. Supt. Stone mentioned he met with a gentleman regarding property on Old 36 (Prairie Hawk Development) and that he was interested in annexing into the village. The property is continuous, actually 3 parcels, probably 5 acres each, and he's working with them to see what he can do to get them annexed. The property in question is zoned business: Trader Concrete, O'Dell Trucking & Pete's Heating & Cooling. Also, a gentleman from a brokerage firm that is currently looking for an acre and not having much luck, wanted to know if there was anything the village could do to help. The firm approached two of the land owners and they do not want to sell. Mayor Todd stated he was going to talk to one of the owners to see what he could do. Trustee Pottier noted that it would help if we had some clarification in the newspaper for when Lisa publishes the minutes as to what's going on. He doesn't know if she understands or if this is something that we can even talk about. Supt. Stone said probably not because when they first contacted him, the brokerage firm said they would rather not discuss their client. Trustee Pottier asked if we could mention that there is a commercial business looking for a one acre parcel. Supt. Stone noted that it was a commercial business, however not a new commercial business.

Chief Smith gave the Board a copy of his written report (see attached). He wanted to discuss several things on the first section regarding the seized vehicles. First off, the car that was awarded that had been damaged by Decatur Auto Auction; he was able to get two different quotes for the body damage repair. One of these quotes from Zara's Collision Center was for \$3,259.00 and the other quote from Precision Collision was for \$2116.41. The NADA value of the car is about \$1,400-\$1,500 so obviously the car is going to be totaled out. Brad Zara indicated to Chief Smith that he would be willing to purchase the vehicle "as is", if the board was willing to sell it. Also, Decatur Auto Auction, since they damaged the car would be willing to sell it and give the village a certain dollar amount to cover their portion of damages. Chief Smith asked the board what they wanted to. Trustee Rader asked what we thought we were going to get out of the car? Chief Smith stated that it was in fairly decent shape, they were originally thinking \$1,500-\$2,000. Obviously we are not going to get \$2,000 in the condition it is in now. Trustee Pottier asked if Zara's was willing to purchase it, did they give a number? Chief Smith replied no. Decatur Auto Auction said they would be willing to work with the Village by selling the car and come up with a price for the damages. Moving on to the other car that was struck, which the board decided they wanted a minimum bid of \$700. They put the car in the Clinton Auction last Saturday and received a bid of \$250 for a car that doesn't run, the transmission is shot. The Village has \$265 in this car. Chief Smith stated he thinks Decatur Auto Auction may be trying to escape the damages. The crown victoria had minimal damage. The turn signal was damaged and we will be receiving a check for the \$25 which is salvage yard price for the part. Trustee Bartley suggested we sell the car for \$250. After receiving the check for the \$25 turn signal part, we make a \$10 profit and be done with it. It was agreed upon by the board to contact Decatur Auto Auction's insurance company regarding the damages to the other car, and to send in a claim. Chief Smith stated there were two more seized vehicles awarded to police dept. A 1999 Ford Taurus which has an expensive sound system that he would like to see go to Clinton Auto Auction. A 2000 Isuzu Rodeo that is in fairly decent shape that he would like to keep as a range vehicle and get rid of the truck. The only cost to the Village would be for the title and license plates. The consensus

of board is to keep the Isuzu Rodeo. Also, regarding an ordinance violation at a certain residence, the homeowner had ten days to comply, which they did not. All agreed that the Village remedy the situation and send the homeowner an invoice.

Off. Mgr. Viola stated she only had a few things to discuss. Tuesday morning at 10 am she will meet with IDOT to perform the audit on our 2008 Motor Fuel. Also, Ray Hickman will be in the office on the 29th to start the audit.

Treasurer Laffey stated that he had nothing to discuss until the July 29th meeting.

Trustee Raycraft discussed closing time for Veterans Park. It was agreed by all trustees that Veterans Park would close at 10 pm except for fishing. Next Raycraft brought up Riverfest and asked the board if it was possible to use the old firehouse for a Guitar Hero contest. Yes, they all agreed. Also, since Riverfest falls on homecoming weekend, she asked that the board consider extending the hours to accommodate residents that want to attend the football game. A Riverfest committee member will be at the next meeting to discuss these issues further. Trustee Raycraft stated she met with Alex Lyons, Jess Moats and Ron Williams regarding the Field of Dreams. The property needs to be surveyed and will be done free of charge by Hahn's. Hahn's is also working with the Boy Scouts and helping them earn badges for surveying. One issue regarding the building of the concession stand came up and how the contractors do not want to tear up the field with their work trucks. Would it be possible to make a road alongside the other road? Supt. Stone stated because of the slope there can't be a two lane road. Raycraft also asked about the parking lot being done by August 3rd when JFL started. Time wise, it could be done, but money wise, it cannot. She also suggested using rock that we already have, but Off. Mgr. Viola stated she must check with Angela Harris first. The grant issued was specifically for the parking lot, she will find out if it's okay to change that. Trustee Faires asked for prices on the parking lot. Trustee Raycraft quoted matting at \$2,100, CA-6 at \$6,966 for 935 tons, so about \$12,000 just to extend the parking lot. They would be willing to do that and when JFL season was over they would come back and do the rock and oil. That would be an additional \$7,000. Off. Mgr. Viola stated that she would email Trustees Raycraft and Pottier when she heard back from Angela Harris.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. All agreed.

_____ Mayor _____ Date

_____ Clerk