

## MINUTES

### RIVERTON VILLAGE BOARD

Riverton, IL.

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held their regular board meeting on April 5, 2010 at the Riverton Village Hall, Riverton, IL.

The board meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Those answering roll call: Mayor Todd; Clerk Graves was absent and Deputy Clerk Blissett substituted; Trustees: Charles, Rader, Faires, Raycraft, Pottier and Bartley. Also in attendance were: Supt. Stone, Treasurer Laffey, Off. Mgr. Viola, Atty. John Myers and Chief Smith. Guests included: Ralph Willoughby, Frank Ware, Jess Moats & Ron Williams.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to accept the minutes and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. Trustees Pottier, Charles, Rader, Raycraft, Faires and Bartley voted yes.

Ralph Willoughby came before the board to discuss Veterans Park. Willoughby inquired who owned and maintained it. It was explained the Village leases the land and mows the grass, but Clearlake Township also mows the area around the memorial. The Village has a 20 year lease. Mr. Willoughby stated he asked the township and was told they have a 10 year lease for \$1 a year. Supt. Stone did explain that was only for the memorial area. Mr. Willoughby inquired about insurance on the pond. Supt. Stone explained the insurance was covered in a blanket coverage that the Village has. Willoughby complimented the Village on the fishing derby that the Village puts on every year for the kids.

Off. Mgr. Viola discussed the 5K run the elementary school teachers want to hold May 1<sup>st</sup> in Riverton. She received a fax with information. The board discussed whether to block streets for safety purposes. Trustee Bartley suggested the Village contact the fire department. Chief Smith stated the officers on duty could set up barricades where needed. They will contact those involved and discuss further.

Frank Ware came before the board to discuss an electrical problem he is having at his home in Hilltop Mobile Home Park. Ware stated there is current running around his house. He stated a person could get shocked by standing on his porch. The Village lineman assessed the problem and stated it was not the Village's. Ware's landlord replaced the power box, but it happened again. Ware stated his lights went on and off and his appliances shut down. The Village lineman looked at the box and told Ware it was not the Village's problem. When they put the box back on, it made more noise than usual. The lineman then stated that it was the Village's problem. Mr. Ware is out a few appliances and electrical problems. Off. Mgr. Viola stated that she will need to see what he needs and turn it into the insurance company. Mr. Ware will meet with her tomorrow. Mayor Todd stated that he would like a statement from the lineman about this.

Supt. Stone reported that there was nothing new with the water plant. He also stated that a power surge or something clicked off the pumps at the plant, when it flooded, the submersible pump kicked in, but then burned up. The flood did some damage. It will be turned into the insurance company.

Trustee Faires inquired about the old water line that broke that runs to the wells. Faires noted that if the Village hadn't had a new line put in, we would've been in trouble. Supt. Stone stated that they still haven't gotten down there because it was too muddy.

Supt. Stone discussed the lift station at Lucky Horseshoe. He explained what needs to be done. It will cost \$3500.

Trustee Bartley discussed the overlay project on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Supt. Stone discussed what they have been doing. Mayor Todd stated the men are doing a good job.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to pass Resolution #2010-003 Abating the Direct Annual Real Estate Tax in the Amount of \$289,456 for the year 2009 Levied Pursuant to Ord. #2009-27. It was seconded by Trustee Pottier. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes.

The girls softball league agreement was brought forth to be voted on. Trustee Raycraft made a motion to pass Ordinance #2010-008 Approving the amended Agreement with the Riverton Girls Softball League, Inc. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes.

Trustee Faires discussed the zoning board. He noted this was an advisory board only, the Village board makes the final decision. He questioned whether the zoning board was needed. Faires feels that maybe the Village could save money by eliminating the zoning board. He would like the board to think about it and give their input. It was also noted that the board needs to talk to the Village attorney to see what can actually be done. Mayor Todd stated that it would be looked into further.

Supt. Stone gave the Board a copy of his written report (see attached). Stone discussed trying to televise the sewer lines in Riviera. It failed, bids were sent out. P.H. Broughton had the lowest bid at \$5710. Trustee Rader made a motion to have it repaired by P.H. Broughton. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes. Stone then discussed the pumps at the lift station. The wires came in bigger than what we have so the conduit will have to be bigger. The low bid was \$3600 by B & B Electric. Trustee Rader made a motion to accept B & B Electric bid for repairs at \$3600. It was seconded by Trustee Pottier. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes. It was also noted that Coy Squires needs money for midge fly treatment. Trustee Faires made a motion to spend \$644.40 for the midge fly treatment at the sewer plant. It was seconded by Trustee Rader. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes.

Supt. Stone reported they will need two loads of athletic dirt that would actually come out of next years budget. Trustee Raycraft made a motion to purchase two loads of athletic dirt. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes. Supt. Stone also reported that Clearlake Township will be short an employee for the summer and have asked the Village to help out. He stated the Village would help when they could. Supt. Stone also reported meeting with Bill Geiger for the schools.

Chief Smith gave the Board a copy of his written report (see attached). Smith stated the Boy Scouts will be at Wieland Park in May to camp. They will reserve the whole camp and would like the fees waived. The Village has allowed this before. Trustee Bartley made a motion to waive

camping fees for the Boy Scouts. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. Trustees Pottier, Rader, Charles, Faires and Bartley voted yes with Trustee Raycraft abstaining. Chief Smith reported Sgt. Lalley is resigning as SRO officer. Off. Landgrebe would like to take the position, however the position is still up in the air. The Village is currently looking for grants to fund it, but they would like to get Off. Landgrebe trained anyway. The cost is \$495. Trustee Faires made a motion to authorize Off. Landgrebe to go for training as an SRO officer. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes. Trustee Pottier acknowledged Sgt. Lalley on his good work as a Resource Officer. Trustee Pottier made a motion to make a plaque for Sgt. Lalley for his years as SRO Officer. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes. Chief Smith thanked the Village employees for helping to block the roads for the training exercise at the high school. Trustee Pottier stated that he was impressed with everything that happened at the Rapid Response/Active Shooter Training. Chief Smith reported Off. Sutton is resigning and another officer is interested in the position.

Off. Mgr. Viola reported she is working on the budget with Treasurer Laffey. She also discussed IMRF payments. She gave the board figures on where the Village stands. She stated that the Village is doing a lot better, but are only 49% funded and have a lot to go. Viola feels that the Village needs to continue to make payments above what is needed.

Treasurer Laffey gave the board copies of a draft of the budget. He stated the Village does have a million dollar deficit. He advised the Village will need to increase revenue or cut more and it needs to be done by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Supt. Stone discussed lining the sewer or water lines (not sure which ones) on 5<sup>th</sup> Street at a cost of \$43,000. The board discussed the budget.

Trustee Faires reported the Public Safety Committee was asked to look into the Village SRO officer transporting children from school when they are sick, bad, etc. This is currently being done. Most board members felt it was up to the school or the parents to get the kids home. Trustee Faires will get with Chief Smith and draft a policy.

Trustee Rader stated the IBEW negotiation meeting will be April 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

Trustee Raycraft discussed whether the Boy Scouts could paint the service boxes for badges. The board approved this. Raycraft will get with Supt. Stone to discuss further.

Trustee Bartley reported they did the core sample on Riviera subdivision.

Trustee Charles stated he is looking into new furniture for the trustees for the board meeting.

The Board went into closed session at 8:30 p.m. with a motion from Trustee Bartley and a second from Trustee Faires. This meeting is closed pursuant to Chapter 102, paragraph 42, of the Illinois Revised Statutes of the Open Meeting Act regarding personnel issues.

The board went back into open session at 9:39 p.m. with a motion from Trustee Bartley and a second by Trustee Faires.

Trustee Faires made a motion to offer the full/part time police position to Off. Grant Peterson. It was seconded by Trustee Rader. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to present to the union the proposed changes of the Health Alliance plan for a formal voting a the next meeting. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to move our health insurance plan from Stan Stravelstead of American General to R.W. Troxell. It was seconded by Trustee Raycraft. Trustees Pottier, Faires, Rader, Charles, Raycraft and Bartley voted yes.

Trustee Bartley made a motion to adjourn at 9:42 p.m. It was seconded by Trustee Faires. All agreed.

\_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk