

Village of Riverdale
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 25, 2007

Call To Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverdale was called to order by Mayor Zenovia G. Evans in the Council Chambers, 157 W. 144th Street at 8:00 PM.

Silent Prayer/Reflection and Pledge of Allegiance

A moment of silent reflection was observed and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America was given.

Roll Call

Upon roll call, the following trustees answered present: Cheryl A. Foy, Deyon L. Dean, Louis Peyton, Jerome Russell, Deborah Smiley and Dennis Sanders. Also present were Deputy Village Clerk Frances Richard-Bey, Village Attorney Timothy C. Lapp, Village Administrator Arlette S. Frye, and Village Engineer Jeff Koza.

There being a quorum present, the meeting was in order.

Consent Vote Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes - Regular Board Meeting, September 11, 2007.
Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Dean, to approve the one item on the consent agenda as posted. Roll call vote.
Ayes: Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders
Nays: None
Motion declared carried.

Approval of Corporate Bills

- A. Corporate Bills – Motion by Trustee Russell, second by Trustee Foy to approve for payment the regular corporate bills in the amount of \$652,573.84, as reviewed by the Department Heads and approved by the Trustee Committee chairpersons. Roll call vote.
Ayes: Russell, Smiley, Sanders, Foy, Dean, Peyton
Nays: None
Motion declared carried.

Correspondence

Thornton Township High School Homecoming Celebration and Parade

Trustee Foy read the letter regarding the activities Thornton High School has planned for Homecoming week. An invitation was extended to the Mayor and other village officials to participate in their parade to be held on September 29, 2007.

Hispanic Heritage Celebration

Trustee Dean read the correspondence from Thornton Township regarding their Hispanic Heritage Celebration to be held at the Thornton Township Senior/Youth and Family Center located at 14323 Halsted in Riverdale. It will take place on September 29, 2007 from 11:30-2:30 pm.

IEPA Hazardous Waste Collection

Trustee Peyton read the correspondence from MWRD announcing their hazardous waste collection day on October 27, 2007. Collection site is at the Oak Forest public works facility at 159th and Lorel Av. 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

School District #148 Fall Harvest Celebration

Trustee Smiley read the correspondence from School District #148 announcing their Fall Harvest Day Party to be held on October 31, 2007, at Park School 14200 S. Wentworth. The party is held on Halloween to offer the local children a safe alternative to trick-or-treating. The school district is asking for monetary donations or donations of candy or treats. They are also seeking volunteers to help supervise and participate in the fun.

Discount Prescription Drug Program

Trustee Russell read the correspondence from 6th District Commissioner Joan Patricia Murphy, announcing the partnership of Cook County with NACo to provide Cook County residents with discount prescription cards. This program offers unlimited use for uninsured participants with 20% savings on prescriptions, extra savings on mail order prescriptions, savings on medications not covered by insurance.

Motion by Trustee Peyton, second by Trustee Sanders, to mark all correspondence received, fliers to be displayed for residents as needed, and placed on file. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

Unfinished Business

- A. Ordinance – Authorizing a Conditional User Under the Zoning Code for Property located at 14150 S. Indiana. – There was no action on this item and Mayor Evans directed it be removed from the agenda.

New Business

- A. Presentations/Appointments/Personnel
 1. Mayor Evans introduced Shelbra Carter the new Health Inspector.

Oath of Office was administered by Deputy Clerk Frances Richard-Bey administered the oath of office. All trustees welcomed Ms. Carter.

2. Riverdale Tree Commission gave their yearly report, with Rosemary Connor presenting a copy of the report to Deputy Clerk Frances Richard-Bey for Village Clerk Joyce E. Forbes, and Coretta Pekny for the Historical Society by Rosemary Conner. There have been eight trees planted this year with a map of locations given to Mayor Evans, Deputy Clerk Frances Richard-Bey for Village Clerk Joyce E. Forbes, Coretta Pekny, and Roy McKinney by Helen Denham. Ms. Denham also announced that the Village of Homewood's Tree Commission has adopted the Village of Riverdale as their Sister Village.

B. Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations/Authorizations

1. Ordinance 2007-41 – Amending Chapter 5.32.010 Liquor Licenses and Regulations. Motion by Trustee Dean, second by Trustee Sanders, to adopt the ordinance. Mayor Evans explained that this ordinance will reduce the number of A-1 licenses that are available in the Village of Riverdale. Roll call vote.
Ayes: Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders, Foy, Dean
Nays: None
Motion declared carried.
2. Ordinance Number 2007-42 – Amending Title 17.08, “Zoning Code” in the Village of Riverdale. Motion by Trustee Dean, second by Trustee Peyton, to adopt the ordinance. This ordinance amends the zoning code setting forth that barber shops, beauty shops and nail shops are permitted as a conditional use. Roll call vote.
Ayes: Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders
Nays: None
Motion declared carried.
3. Ordinance Number 2007-43 – Classifying Certain Real Estate as a Conditional Use, for the Construction of Cellular Transmission Tower, near 142nd & Normal. Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Russell, to adopt the ordinance. This ordinance pertains to property located on the north side of 142nd at Normal Avenue. Roll call vote.
Ayes: Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders
Nays: None
Motion declared carried.
4. Resolution Number 991 – Authorizing the Sale of Village Property located at 732 W 138th St. Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Russell, to approve the resolution. Mayor Evans explained that this property is being purchased by the owner of 740 W. 138TH St. to be used in the expansion of his current business. Roll call vote.
Ayes: Sanders, Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley

Nays: None
Motion declared carried.

Community Announcements

- A. Linn-Mathes, Inc. has been chosen as the general contractor for Whistler Crossing Project, Phase I and will require participation of trades such as carpentry, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, paving, roofing, and others. Construction is anticipated to begin in late fall. Local Contractors interested in subcontracting opportunities should contact Linn-Mathes, Inc. 309 S. Green St., Chicago, IL 60607 – Attn: Javier Costantino. Written responses only.

Adjourn

Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Peyton, to adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Frances Richard-Bey, Deputy Clerk

Approved by Village Board: _____