

Village of Riverdale
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 23, 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. Mayor Evans asked for special consideration for young adults to find non-violent solutions to problems.

Roll Call

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

Also present were Community & Economic Development Director Janice L. Morrissy, Interim Building & Zoning Director Roy McKinney, Fire Chief Gregory Knoll, Police Chief Gregory Baker, and Public Works Director Jerry C. Townsend.

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

Consent Vote Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes - Regular Board Meeting, October 9, 2007.

Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Russell, to approve the one item on the consent agenda as posted. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Foy, Dean, Russell, 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 \$410,495.07, as reviewed by the Department Heads and approved by the Trustee Committee chairpersons. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Russell, Sanders, Foy, Dean

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

Trustee Louis Peyton entered the meeting at 8:02 PM.

Correspondence

Thornton Township Human Relations Commission

Mayor Evans read the letter inviting Riverdale to participate in the Thornton Township Annual Christmas tree decorating event at the Township Hall, 333 E. 162nd Street, South Holland. The Riverdale Tree Commission was working on this annual project, and the tree lighting ceremony will be November 30, 2007, at 6 PM. Ms. Denham of the Tree Commission indicated that they will decorate the tree on November 25. Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Peyton, to mark the correspondence as received, with copies to board and department heads, and place the original on file. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

Unfinished Business

- A. Ordinance 2007-48 – Prohibition of Replica Firearms. Attorney Lapp presented this ordinance by explaining that in February 2007, the board had adopted Ordinance 2007-10, which prohibited the possession of Replica Firearms. Upon further review, the numbering sequence for the Municipal Code was incorrectly listed as Section 9.02.300. The correct section number should be 9.04.370 and this ordinance before the board tonight contained the same language but had the correct section number in Chapter 9 of the Municipal Code. Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Russell, to adopt the ordinance. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Sanders, Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

- B. Approval for Contract for the Construction of Speed Humps at Certain Locations in the Village of Riverdale. Motion by Trustee Peyton, second by Trustee Sanders, to authorize Crowley Construction to construct speed humps at various locations at a cost not to exceed \$17,350.00. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Peyton, Russell, Sanders, Foy, Dean

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

New Business

A. Presentations/Appointments/Personnel

1. Civil Service Commission Appointment – Mayor Evans asked for approval of the appointment of John L. Byerly as Civil Service Commissioner until April 30, 2009. Mr. Byerly has been a Fire and Police Commissioner and Village Trustee, and has volunteered to serve on this commission. Motion by Trustee Dean, second by Trustee Peyton, to approve the appointment. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Dean, Peyton, Russell, Sanders, Foy

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

B. Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations/Authorizations

1. Resolution Number 996 – Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement for Property Located West of 732 W. 138th Street. Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Foy, to approve the resolution. Attorney Lapp stated that this property is a vacant parcel to be sold to the current owner of Pro-4 Doors subject to the acceptance of the terms of fencing and landscaping. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Sanders, Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

2. Resolution – Authorizing the Acquisition of Certain Property Under the Cook County No-cash Bid Program. Mayor Evans stated that this resolution was not needed as the County officials would accept the original resolution as approved earlier this year. There was no action on this item.

3. Resolution Number 997 – Cook County ETSB Surcharge Reallocation Program for Fiscal Year 2007-08. Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Sanders, to approve the resolution. Trustee Foy explained that the Emergency Telephone Service Board (ETSB) tax is collected on all phone lines in unincorporated Riverdale and forwarded to Cook County. The County reallocates the money to individual towns, but since we have combined dispatch, this money needs to be reallocated to E-Com. This resolution authorizes that reallocation. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Sanders

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.
- B. Cook County Clerk David Orr is recruiting for election judges to serve in suburban polling places for the February 5, 2008, Primary Election. Applications are available online at www.voterinfonet.com, or call 312-603-0965.
- C. “No Solicitors Invited” door decals are now available at Village Hall at a cost of \$1.00 each
- D. The South Suburban Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day is set for October 27, from 8 am – 3 pm in the Village of Oak Forest, at 159th & Lorel Ave. Flyers are at Village Hall.

- E. There will be a public hearing for Community Development Block Grant projects on Tuesday, November 13, at 8 PM.
- F. Harvest Fest is scheduled for Wednesday, October 31, from 5 pm to 7 pm at Park School. This is sponsored by School District 148 and provides a safe family oriented Halloween celebration.
- G. Trick or Treat hours are 4 pm to 7 pm, and trick-or-treaters are advised to knock only at those homes where porch lights are on.
- H. On Monday, October 29, there will an informational session about the Village's Combined Sewer Outfall system. This meeting will begin at 5 pm in the Board Room at Village Hall.

Adjourn

Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Dean, to adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM.

Joyce E. Forbes, Village Clerk

Approved by Village Board: _____