

Village of Riverdale  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, November 13, 2007

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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. 144<sup>th</sup> Street at 8:12 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 Village Clerk Joyce E. Forbes, Village Attorney Timothy C. Lapp, Village Administrator Arlette S. Frye, and Village Engineer Jefferey Koza.

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

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

Consent Vote Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes - Regular Board Meeting, October 23, 2007.
- B. Approval of Minutes – Public Meeting, October 29, 2007.

Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Russell, to approve the two items 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 \$527,335.57, 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.

B. Corporate Bills, Month Ending October 31, 2007 – Motion by Trustee Russell, second by Trustee Foy, to approve for payment the month end bills for October 2007, in the amount of \$159,163.54, 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

##### Faith Community Block Club

Clerk Forbes read the letter from Ms. Brenda Jordan, 142<sup>nd</sup> & LaSalle, requesting plastic bags for their annual clean up day set for November 17. Mayor Evans stated that copies should be provided to the department heads and to Public Works for follow up to the request.

##### Cook County Department of Public Health

Trustee Smiley read the letter inviting all to attend one of two Kick-Off sessions for the wePLAN for Action plan. The nearest session will be Thursday November 29, at South Suburban College, from 9 am to 11:30 am. WePLAN is a systematic collection and analysis of data undertaken by the Cook County Department of Public Health to improve community health. Some of the issues are preventing and reducing obesity, reducing the burden of violence by and against youth, and improving access to primary care.

##### Robbins Community Power LLC

Trustee Foy read information from RCP LLC announcing their Renewable Energy Expo at their facility, 14300 S. Kedzie Ave., Robbins, on Saturday, November 17, from 10 am to 2 pm. Exhibits, activities for children, refreshments will be available at this Expo highlighting renewable energy using wood-burning “green” power.

##### Calumet Township

Trustee Dean read the letter from Township Supervisor, Raymond M. Martino, inviting officials to the dedication of a new medical center building at 126<sup>th</sup> and Ashland on November 28, 2007, at 2:00 PM.

Motion by Trustee Dean, second by Trustee Peyton, to mark all correspondence received, place the items on file, and post information for the public in accordance with the requests. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

#### Unfinished Business - None

#### New Business

##### A. Presentations/Appointments/Personnel

B. Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations/Authorizations

1. Ordinance 2007-49 – Sex Offender Regulations. Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Sanders, to adopt the ordinance. Attorney Lapp stated this ordinance makes it a local ordinance violation for sex offenders to reside 500’ from park, school, and day care facilities in the Village. The measurement is from the property line of these types of property lines. Roll call vote.  
Ayes: Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders  
Nays: None  
Motion declared carried.
2. Ordinance – Annual Tax Levy. Administrator Frye reported that the draft levy has been provided to the Mayor and Trustees, but no action is required at this time.
3. Resolution – Authorizing the Payment of the Premium for Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association for Liability Insurance. Administrator Frye stated and Attorney Lapp concurred, that since the trustees had determined that the full premium was to be paid there was no need for a resolution. In past years, the Village had exercised the optional program that allowed payment of 80% of the full premium, with the understanding that once claims had been paid exceeding the amount of the 80% payment, the Village would be liable for the payment of all claims up to the maximum of 120% of the full premium. This year, the full premium would be paid so that the liability to the village would not exceed the amount paid.
4. Resolution Number 998 – Authorize the Use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the Design for Installing or Upgrading Emergency Vehicle Preemption Devices at Designated Locations. Motion by Trustee Peyton, second by Trustee Dean, to approve the resolution. Chief Knoll explained that these devices will make all traffic signals stop traffic when emergency vehicles are approaching an intersection. The intersections proposed are 144<sup>th</sup> and Indiana, 144<sup>th</sup> and Halsted, and 138<sup>th</sup> and School. Roll call vote.  
Ayes: Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders, Foy, Dean  
Nays: None  
Motion declared carried.
5. Resolution – Class 8 Authorization for Riverdale Marina. Trustee Dean asked that this authorization be allowed as he was informed that the Marina was ready to proceed. Mayor Evans reminded the trustees of the conversation of the committee of the whole meeting where it was determined that the owners of the Marina had not complied with the installation of the sprinkler system in their building. This item has been outstanding for some time, and the board concurred that additional concessions for this business would not be granted until compliance with the sprinkler, which was a life safety issue, was

complete. Trustee Foy stated that this item should be held until proof of compliance was done, and the trustees concurred.

6. Resolution Number 999 – Authorize the Village to Execute a Grant Pass Through Agreement with Cook County Housing Development Corporation. Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Foy, to approve the resolution. This allows the Village to forward the grant funds from HUD to the developer for the Whistler Crossing Project. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Sanders, Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

7. Resolution Number 1000 – Authorize the Execution of a Master Agreement with the Neighborhood Technology Resource Center. Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Foy, to approve the resolution, subject to a correction on page 8 of the agreement, which should read, “\$7497.00 per month” in both Year 1 and Year 2 of the agreement. Upon discussion it was determined that the correction did not change the total annual amount stipulated in the agreement. This agreement would authorize NTRC to operate the Riverdale e-Village site. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Sanders, Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

8. Bid Opening results, November 5, 2007, for Lowe Avenue Street Lighting, CDBG No. C06-046. Trustee Sanders presented the letter from Philip A. Pavlacka, Senior Engineer, Robinson Engineering Ltd., which stated there was only one bid received for this project by J. F. Edwards Construction Company, in the amount of \$127,543.70. Since this bid was more than the engineer’s estimate and more than the grant money awarded, Mr. Pavlacka recommended to reject all bids and re-bid the project.

#### Motion to Reject Bids

Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Foy, to reject the one bid received for the CDBG project, from J. F. Edwards Construction Company. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Sanders, Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

#### Motion to Re-Bid Project

Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Foy, to authorize Robinson Engineers, Ltd., to go to re-bid the project in order to attract more bidders. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Sanders, Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley

Nays: None  
Motion declared carried.

9. Class 8 Authorization – Holsten Development Group. Trustee Sanders reported that Holsten Development has requested authorization for Cook County Class 8 status for the Whistler Crossing Project and recommended the board recess this meeting until next week to review and authorize the request.

#### 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](http://www.voterinfonet.com), or call 312-603-0965.
- C. Annual Tree Lighting is set for Sunday, December 2, 2007, at the Public Safety Building. Santa will be on hand as well.
- D. The annual Toys for Tots collection has begun. New unwrapped toys can be dropped off at Village Hall and the Public Safety Building.
- E. For up to the minute news about Village events, join the e-news hotline. Send us an e-mail and we will add your e-mail address to the data base. When news happens, you will get a notification.
- F. The Police and Fire Commission is accepting applications to establish an eligibility list for Patrol Officer. Application fee is \$20.00 and packets are available at Village Hall and must be returned by November 26, 2007.
- G. Village Hall will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 22-23 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- H. Village Hall will be open until 8 PM on Tuesday, November 20, and will close at 5:00 PM on Wednesday, November 21. The change in hours is only for the Thanksgiving Holiday week only.
- I. On Saturday, November 17, Robbins Community Power will host a Renewable Energy Expo from 10 am to 2 pm at 13400 S. Kedzie Av. in Robbins. The public is invited to attend and learn about renewable energy. There will be a variety of educational booths, presentations, demonstrations, food and more.

#### Recess

Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Foy, to recess this meeting until Tuesday, November 30, 7:30 PM in the Conference Room of Village Hall. Upon discussion, it was determined the following items would be on the agenda for action on November 20.

Tax Levy Ordinance  
Holsten Development, County Class 8

Riverdale Marina, County Class 8  
Fraternal Order of Police, Memorandum of Agreement

Roll call vote

Ayes: Sanders, Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

The meeting recessed at 8:35 PM.

Reconvene

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM in the Conference Room of Village Hall, 157 W. 144<sup>th</sup> Street and asked for a motion to reconvene.

Motion to Reconvene

Motion by Trustee Peyton, second by Trustee Sanders, to reconvene the meeting of November 13. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders, Foy, Dean.

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

Upon roll call, the following trustees answered present: Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley and Sanders. Also present were Attorney Lapp, Clerk Forbes, Administrator Frye, Director Morrissy, Director Townsend, Chief Baker, Chief Knoll, Deputy Clerk Richard-Bey, and Interim Director McKinney.

Unfinished Business

- A. Ordinance 2007-50 – Annual Tax Levy. Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Russell, to adopt the ordinance. This ordinance was introduced last Tuesday, and there were no further questions. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

- B. Resolution – Approving Class 8 Tax Abatement for Riverdale Marina. This item was held and put over to the next board meeting for consideration.

New Business

- A. Resolution Number 1001 – Approving Class 8 Property Tax Incentive for Historic Pacesetter Limited Partnership. Motion by Trustee Peyton, second by Trustee Sanders, to approve the resolution. This incentive is for the mixed use buildings. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders, Foy, Dean

Nays: None  
Motion declared carried.

- B. Memorandum of Agreement Between the Village of Riverdale and the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council/Southeastern Lodge 6. Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Russell, to approve the agreement. Trustee Foy stated this agreement provides for 12 hours shifts for the officers. Upon discussion, it was determined that this agreement would bind the parties for the remainder of the contract, April 30, 2010. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley, Sanders

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

Adjourn

Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Peyton, to adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

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Joyce E. Forbes, Village Clerk

Approved by Village Board: \_\_\_\_\_