

Village of Riverdale
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 10, 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 flag of the United States of America was given.

Roll Call

Upon roll call, the following trustees answered present: Deyon L. Dean, 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, Village Engineer Jeff Koza. Absent were Trustees Cheryl A. Foy and Louis Peyton.

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

Public Hearing for Annual Appropriation

Mayor Evans asked Attorney Lapp to introduce the ordinance appropriating funds for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2008. Attorney Lapp reported that the purpose of this hearing is to take public comment regarding the proposed expenditures in the ordinance per State Statute. This hearing has been properly noticed, and the ordinance has been on file with the Village Clerk's office for public viewing. Clerk Forbes responded that no one had come to request a copy. This ordinance sets forth the maximum amounts appropriated for operations of the Village in each fund for each department, which is \$42,994,320.00. The appropriated amount is typically higher than anticipated actual expenditures to account for any emergency or unanticipated expense that may arise. Mayor Evans asked if there were questions or comments from the trustees and the public. Hearing none, the hearing portion of this meeting was closed.

Consent Vote Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes - Regular Board Meeting, June 26, 2007
- B. Approval of Minutes - Special Board Meeting, June 28, 2007

Motion by Trustee Dean, second by Trustee Sanders, to approve the two items on the Consent Agenda as posted. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Dean, Russell, Sanders, Smiley

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

Approval of Corporate Bills

- A. Regular Corporate Bills – Motion by Trustee Russell, second by Trustee Sanders, to approve for payment the regular corporate bills, for the period ending July 10, 2007, in the amount of \$715,310.04, as reviewed by the Department Heads and approved by the Trustee Committee chairpersons. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Russell, Smiley, Sanders, Dean

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

Correspondence

PACE

Mayor Evans read the correspondence from the PACE Chairman Richard Kwasneski, explaining that rate hikes and service cuts for regional ADA paratransit service would be implemented if the State Legislature fails to fund public transportation in this budget cycle. There are a series of public hearings to be held for testimony regarding the need for funding to keep services at current levels. On Tuesday, July 17, in Blue Island, and Wednesday, July 18 at Olive-Harvey College. Mayor Evans encouraged Village officials and residents to attend. Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Russell, to mark the correspondence received, place it on file and post the schedule of meetings in Village Hall. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

Illinois Department of Transportation

Mayor Evans read the correspondence from Clayton K. Harris, III, Chief of Staff thanking the her and the village for their patience, support and partnership during the Kingery Expressway Reconstruction Project (I80/94). Motion by Trustee Dean, second by Trustee Russell, to mark the correspondence received, and place it on file. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

Illinois Housing Development Authority

Mayor Evans read the correspondence from DeShana Forney, Executive Director, which highlighted accomplishments that were in the attached complete report for FY2006. Mayor Evans explained that IHDA has contributed over \$7M in the Whistler Crossing project and additional funds for the Riverdale Manor Senior Apartment project. Motion by Trustee Dean, second by Trustee Sanders, to mark the correspondence received and place it on file. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

Block Club and Street Closure Requests

Clerk Forbes read the memo from Officer Beatty stating he has requests from two block clubs for their annual block parties as follows:

1. Wallace, Pacesetter Parkway to 136th Street, for July 21st, 9 am – 9 pm; and
2. 137th block of School, for August 11, 2007 from 10 am to 9 pm.

Motion by Trustee Sanders, second by Trustee Dean, to approve the street closures for the dates and streets requested, and forward approval to the departments necessary. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

Letter of Resignation

Mayor Evans read the letter from Carole G. Alexander tendering her resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals effective July 12, 2007. Motion by Trustee Dean, second by Trustee Sanders, to accept the letter of resignation with regret, and sincere appreciation for the years of service on the Zoning Board of Appeals, and best wishes for her future endeavors. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

A. Presentations/Appointments/Personnel

1. Variety Club – no presentation
2. Presentation – Mayor Evans asked Carole G. Alexander to step forward to accept a certificate of appreciation for her service to the Village of Riverdale.

B. Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations/Authorizations

1. Ordinance 2007-25 – Appropriation of Funds for Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2007 and Ending April 30, 2008. Motion by Trustee Russell, second by Trustee Sanders, to adopt the ordinance. There were no comments or questions. Roll call vote.
Ayes: Russell, Smiley, Sanders, Dean
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. Quality of Life Committee has determined they will not continue with the Riverdale Idol contest, but the Annual Family Picnic is still set for Saturday, September 8. Please join them at Riverdale Park.
- C. Join Mayor Evans on Thursday, July 12, at the Resource Center for discussion of Village concerns and solution to issues. Meeting will begin at 7:00 PM. Mayor Evans reported that last night's meeting was well attended and a second meeting is set for Monday, July 23 to explore more issues and solutions.
- D. Clerk Forbes informed the audience that a new electronic information service has been implemented by the Village. To receive information about Village events just email request to join to enews@villageofriverdale.org.
- E. There will be an Open House for the Riverdale e-Village on Saturday, July 21, at their new home, 13725 S. Wabash, from 9 am – 2 pm. Flyers are available on the side table tonight.

Recess

Motion by Trustee Dean, second by Trustee Russell, to recess this meeting until after the Committee of the Whole meeting, which begins at 7:30 PM, on Tuesday, July 17, 2007. The purpose of the reconvened meeting is to allow for consideration of the moratorium for Barber/Beauty Shops which expires on July 23, and possible action. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Dean, Russell, Smiley, Sanders

Nays: None

Motion declared carried.

The meeting recessed at 8:24 PM.

The meeting reconvened on Tuesday, July 17, 2007, at 9:00 PM. Mayor Evans asked for a motion to reconvene the meeting.

Motion to Reconvene

Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Dean, to reconvene the regular Board meeting of July 10, 2007. Upon voice vote, motion declared carried.

Roll Call

Upon roll call the following trustees answered present: Foy, Dean, Peyton, Russell, Smiley, and Sanders. Also present were Village Clerk Joyce E. Forbes, Village Attorney Timothy C. Lapp, and Village Administrator Arlette S. Frye.

There being a quorum, the meeting was in order.

New Business

- A. Ordinance 2007-26 – Extending For Six Months A Moratorium on the Issuance of Licenses for Hair Salons and Barbershops. Motion by Trustee Foy, second by Trustee Dean, to adopt the ordinance. 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.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 PM.

Joyce E. Forbes, Village Clerk

Approved by Village Board: _____