

**Village of Riverdale**  
**Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes held on**  
**Tuesday October 9, 2018**

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**Call to Order**

Mayor Lawrence L. Jackson called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order in the Village Board Chambers at Village Hall, 157 W. 144<sup>th</sup> Street at 7:02 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Upon roll call, the following Trustees answered present:  
Rodrick Jefferson, Cassandra Riley-Pinkney, Gregory Lewis, Brenda Williams,  
Erik LeVere and Bradley Smith

Also present;

Police Chief Dave DeMik, Fire Chief Shun Haynes, Supt of Public Works Jerome Russell,  
Finance Director David Gonzalez, Engineer Chuck Hodges, Village Attorney Matt Welch and  
Village Clerk Karen Holcomb

There being a quorum present the meeting was in order.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to approve the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes dated September 11, 2018 and May 8, 2018.

Motion made by Trustee Jefferson and second by Trustee Smith

By: Voice Vote Motion Carries

**Village Administration**

**Budget Director – David Gonzalez**

No report

**Fire Dept. / Bldg. & Zoning/Inspectional Services-Fire Chief Shun T. Haynes**

Report Submitted: In the month of September the department conducted 586 Inspections and complaints, Building Permits submitted – system down and responded to 229 emergencies.

During one of the emergency responses 2 of our firefighters conducted a rescue to remove a victim out of a fire. Firefighters Moss and Michalik completed 5 years of service.

Chief Haynes says this is fire safety month. Firefighters will be going to the schools to teach fire safety. In final stage of cutting grass and shrubs in the alley. Last Saturday 10/6 was the 1<sup>st</sup> Health Fair at Patton Elementary School. It was very successful. There was a dental van, blood was donated and flu shots given.

Mayor Jackson asked Attorney Welch to elaborate on items 1 & 2 below. He stated there were zoning hearings this month relating to cartage (truck dispatching) facilities. The addresses are listed below. The Zoning Board agreed that there would be no negative impact on the surrounding properties. Their recommendation was that the Board grant the conditional use permits. These items will be on next agenda for the Boards consideration.

1. Discussion regarding a conditional use permit to allow a cartage facility at 13843 S. Halsted.
2. Discussion regarding a conditional use permit to allow a cartage facility at 14101 S. Wallace

#### **Superintendent of Public Works – Jerome Russell**

Report Submitted: Supt. Russell stated there was a water main break at 51 E. 144<sup>th</sup> Street. Water was off for 3 hours and problem addressed. Public Works continues to sample drinking water. To date no failing tests. Tomorrow the City of Chicago will be upgrading their lines at 129<sup>th</sup> and Halsted. We'll make sure tanks are filled. The lines may be down from 8am – 4pm. Residential street lights are being repaired as outages are reported. On-line work orders can be placed and will come to the Supt. Russell.

#### **Police Department – Chief David DeMik**

Report Submitted: Chief DeMik stated the department did some preparations anticipating the Jason Van Dyke verdict. Patrols were increased around businesses. Extra officers will be on the street for Halloween. Trick or Treat hours are from 3-6pm. Detective Kashirsky and Officer Griffin completed 10 yrs of service with the Village. Chief DeMik said just he completed an IDOT application for a traffic safety grant. This will give us extra officers throughout the whole year to focus on safety.

#### **Village Clerk – Karen Holcomb**

Clerk Holcomb mentioned the success of the Shred Day with the largest turnout to date. Clerk Holcomb asked residents to read the top portion of their water bills to stay informed. A customer service class was attended by the office staff in an effort to serve the public better.

**Village Attorney – Matt Welch**

No report

**Hancock Engineering – Chuck Hodges**

He stated the continuing to work with Riverdale Materials a local vendor that has donated to help beef up the base in the some alleys in town. Mayor Jackson asked what section of town are we starting first. Engineer Hodges referenced the alleys from Wentworth/Clark from 144<sup>th</sup> – 146<sup>th</sup> Street, 4 total t-alleys. Starting point is 146<sup>th</sup> and Wentworth alley. Will balance this out with CDBG Alley Project. Lowest responsible bidder will be brought before the Board. Village's joint effort with Com Ed field LED Alley Lighting Project. There's an estimated 700 lamps that will be switched out in the alley.

**Trustees**

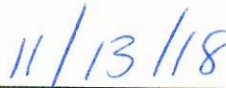
None

**Public Comments –**

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting.  
Motion by: Trustee Jefferson and second by Trustee Riley-Pinkney  
By: Voice Vote Motion Passed  
There being no other business the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at  
7:19 p.m.



Village Clerk



Date Passed