

**Village of Riverdale**  
**Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes held on**  
**Tuesday March 12, 2019**

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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 7:07 p.m.

**Roll Call**

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

Absent: Trustee Brenda Williams - medical

Deputy Police Chief Willie Darkried, Fire Chief Shun Haynes, Supt of Public Works Jerome Russell, Finance Director David Gonzalez, Village 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 February 12, 2019.

Motion made by Trustee Smith and second by Trustee Lewis

By: Voice Vote Motion Passed

Mayor Jackson stated that a copy of the Communications Manager's contract had been provided to the Board and would like it voted upon the next Board Meeting.

**Village Administration**

**Finance Director – David Gonzalez**

Director Gonzalez stated he's working on the 2019-2020 budget that starts May 1<sup>st</sup>. We're projecting revenue for next fiscal year and updating the salaries for most of the departments. Planning to bring for Board approval at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regular Board Meeting in April.

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

Report Submitted: During the month of February 14 we conducted 340 inspections we issued, 15 building permits were submitted and responded to 214 emergencies. Firefighter Wolf completed his probationary period. Next Crime Free Housing Class is 3/20. Chief Haynes referred to Village Attorney Welch referencing next 2 items.

1. Discussion relating to a conditional use application to operate a daycare center located at 14230-34 S. Indiana Ave.

Attorney Welch stated this item went before the Zoning Board of Appeals and they believe the use won't have a negative effect on the surrounding properties as long as there's compliance with Village code. The Zoning Board recommends approval of the conditional use application.

2. Discussion relating to a text amendment to Section 17.03 of the Zoning Code.

Attorney Welch stated this item also went before the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding enforcement of conditional uses. We noted there was no revocation provision in the code when business owners violate the condition. This text amendment provides a hearing procedure for revocation if conditions aren't being met.

**Superintendent of Public Works – Jerome Russell**

Report Submitted: During the month of February we were out 14 plowing snow. We used 300 tons of treated road salt. Public Works responded to 8 water main breaks. Gallagher Asphalt gave a class on the proper application of coal patching. Approximately 20 stop or street signs that damaged and in progress of repairing them. Responded to over 90 Julie locates.

**Police Department – Deputy Chief Willie Darkried**

Report Submitted: Deputy Chief Darkried indicated the Police Department will be once again participating with the USTA Foundation and the Ace Project Serve and Connect whereby the officers play tennis with the students at Roosevelt School. Deputy Chief Darkried indicated the current eligibility list has expired and another needs to be created. The testing agency that was selected is Cops and Fire. Contract to be presented to the Board. Total cost not to exceed \$2500.

Mayor Jackson indicated additional members(s) are needed on the Fire and Police Commission and that matter will be coming before the Board for approval. Resumes will be forwarded to the Board also.

**Village Clerk – Karen Holcomb**

Clerk Holcomb indicated this past Coffee with the Mayor had the largest turnout to date. Cardiac Nurse Ferrari returned and had an excellent presentation. Shred Day will be 4/13. The same day Coffee with the Mayor

**Village Attorney – Matt Welch**

No report

**Hancock Engineering – Chuck Hodges**

Engineer Hodges stated bid opening was held this morning for the 2017 CDBG Alley Reconstruction Project. Initial bid was in October and only landed one bidder. That bidder was over the grant amount by \$60,000. Cook County and IDOT found this not to be competitive. Subsequently there was a rebid. 3 bidders submitted proposals. The highest bid amount was \$287,867.00. The grant funding is for \$250,000.00. The lowest bidder came in under the grant amount at \$ 223,502.30. That contractor is M & J Asphalt Paving Co. We will issue a recommendation to award contract to M & J.

Trustee Smith asked what happens to the \$27,000 left over from the grant. Engineer Hodges said we would try to improve another alley.

Mayor Jackson inquired about the resurfacing of the T-alley at LaSalle and Wentworth. Engineer Hodges stated construction should start before 5/1. Engineer Hodges stated the 2019 Cook County CDBG Application is due 3/19.

**Trustees**

None


**Public Comments –**

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting. Motion by Trustee Jefferson and second by LeVere

By: Voice Vote Motion Passed

Executive Session convened at 7:42pm.

There being no other business the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at 7:38p.m.

  
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Village Clerk

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Date Passed