

Village of Riverdale
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes held on
Tuesday November 13, 2018

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. 144th Street at 7:04 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Absent: Trustee Bradley Smith - medical

Also present;

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

Absent: Village Finance Director David Gonzalez

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 October 9, 2018.

Motion made by Trustee Jefferson and second by Trustee Riley-Pinkney

By: Voice Vote Motion Passed

Village Administration

Finance Director – David Gonzalez

Absent

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

Report Submitted: During the month of October 430 inspections were conducted, 50 building permits were issued and we responded to 293 emergency responses. New heaters should be installed in apparatus bay within 2 weeks. Chief Haynes stated Veterans Day breakfast on Monday was a success.

Mayor Jackson asked Attorney Welch to expound on items 1 through 3 following. He stated items 1 and 2 are nuisance properties that the Village has liened. In the course of trying to get the properties into compliance and the liens paid, the owners have agreed to issue a deed in lieu of foreclosure. This saves the Village the transaction cost of foreclosure in court and deeds the property to the Village.

1. Discussion relating to the donation of 13837 S. Michigan to the Village of Riverdale.
2. Discussion relating to the donation of 13618 S. Wallace to the Village of Riverdale.
3. Discussion relating to a Purchase and Sale Agreement for 14521 S. Wentworth Ave.

Attorney Welch stated this a property was attained similar to items 1 and 2. Next door neighbor to this property has agreed to put in a bid to buy the property for \$5000.

Superintendent of Public Works – Jerome Russell

Report Submitted: During the month of October we completed the remedial work on the water main break that occurred on the 142nd and Normal and replaced damaged valves at 2 E. 138TH Street 18 W. 144th Street and 14520 S. State. Water quality continues to be checked with no failing reports. Consumer Confidence Reports are available at Public Works and Village Hall. Public Works along with the Department of Corrections removed trees, debris and vegetation from the School Street hill. Street sweeper was out every day in October. An order has been placed for 800 tons of road salt.

Police Department – Chief David DeMik

Report Submitted: Sergeant Padron has 4 weeks of Northwestern Staff and Command School left to attend. His graduation is January 18th. At this past Saturday's Coffee with the Mayor on November 10th Chief DeMik showed tallied results of the surveys that were given to the residents at our block meetings. Chief DeMik and Deputy Chief Darkried conducted a door to door crime survey to get input from residents. There were several additional officers Halloween night who passed out candy.

Village Clerk – Karen Holcomb

Clerk Holcomb mentioned a card of thanks from Sergeant John Brosius for kindness showed him in the passing of his wife Kathie Brosius. The office will be closed November 22 & 23 for Thanksgiving Holiday. Water bills are due 11/15.

Village Attorney – Matt Welch

Nothing to report.

Hancock Engineering – Chuck Hodges

Engineer Hodges stated the Village's pilot alley reconstruction program was completed 10/26. This was a joint effort between the Village of Riverdale and Riverdale Materials. They placed a grout stabilizing mat and donated aggregate stabilizing materials. This is considered Phase I. This would be considered Phase II. The alley reconstruction program funded through Cook County with a grant awarded to the Village. The bid opening for the project was 10/29. One contractor submitted a proposed bid. Cook County would like to see a more competitive bid process and request that the project be rebid. This will take place in December. We want to see construction take place in the spring.


Mayor Jackson asked Engineer Hodges to discuss the alley lighting. He stated ComEd's Village wide effort to provide LED lighting and rebulb alley has been successful.

Trustees


None

Public Comments –

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting.
Motion by: Trustee Riley-Pinkney and second by Trustee Jefferson
By: Voice Vote Motion Passed
There being no other business the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.



Village Clerk



Date Passed