

Village of Riverdale
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes held on
Tuesday May 8, 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 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Trustee Bradley Smith absent due to medical.

Also present;

Police Chief Dave DeMik, Chief Rob Scharnhorst, Chief of Staff Timothy Williams, Supt of Public Works Jerome Russell, Hancock Engineer Chuck Hodges, Village Attorney Matt Welch and Village Clerk Karen Holcomb

Budget Director – On vacation

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 April 10, 2018.

Motion made by Trustee Jefferson and second by Trustee Lewis

By: Voice Vote Motion Passed

Village Administration

Budget Director – David Gonzalez

Absent

Fire Dept. / Bldg & Zoning/Inspectional Services-Fire Chief Rob Scharnhorst

Report Submitted: 407 Inspections and complaints, 41 Building Permits applied for, responded to 244 Emergency Responses. With the IDHA grant we're taking care of the vacant properties with high grass. Universal Scrap still working on property and looking to open this summer. Village Eatery located at 201 W. 144th Street hopefully will be open within next month or so. SMJ Towing finishing interior renovation and should be done by the end of the month. Chief Scharnhorst said would like the redevelopment agreements for 14150 S. Indiana and 14200 S. Indiana to be placed on the upcoming Regular Board Agenda. Also, there will be a medical facility opening at 502 W. 138th Street.

Mayor Jackson asked if there was no objection by the Board he would like acknowledge Jayera Griffin for her charitable efforts in raising monies for a Free Wash Day for needy residents. A Proclamation was approved for April 3rd to be proclaimed Jayera Griffin Community Service Day in the Village of Riverdale. Clerk Holcomb read the Proclamation. The Proclamation was presented. Photos were taken.

Superintendent of Public Works – Jerome Russell

Report Submitted: Supt. Russell stated he met with ComEd to discuss vegetation removal near power lines at the north side of town. ComEd also will assist with removal of diseased trees. Thanked Mayor Jackson for getting the County to assist with pot hole patching. 3 trees were taken down at 13833 S. Michigan, 14300 S. Dearborn and 14309 S. Wabash. Street sweeper has been out every day. Continue to sample water no failing reports.

Police Department – Chief David DeMik

Report Submitted: Chief DeMik stated Deputy Chief Darkried and Sergeant Milton have completed 8/10 weeks of training at Northwestern University for School of Police Staff and Command. 4 Officers graduated from Chicago Metro Police Academy on June 1st. May 4th was the last day for Serve and Connect whereby Village Officials play tennis with the kids in the community. The Southtown newspaper will have a feature article on May 10th. The Police Department completed an audit by LEADS (Law Enforcement Agencies Data System).

Village Clerk – Karen Holcomb

Clerk Holcomb read announcement from Bud's Ambulance that they're accepting applications for the June-August 2018 EMT Class. Upon successful completion of the program offers of employment will be available. The Village of Riverdale is offering an Amnesty program from April 30 – June 1st for water account penalties and fees and municipal fines. Riverdale Elementary School at 325 W. 142nd Street submitted a Special Event application for End of School Field Day May 24th from 9:00am-2:30pm. Job Fairs:

Prairie State College May 11th 100 W. 197th Place in Chicago Heights 9:00am-12noon
and South Suburban College (Fitness Center) May 22nd 10:00am-2:00pm at
15800 S. State Street. Village Stickers are \$28 in May and \$33 in June. The senior and
handicap rate is \$7 in May and June.

Village Attorney – Matt Welch

No report

Hancock Engineering – Chuck Hodges

1. Discussion regarding an Engineering Agreement for Furnishing Professional Engineering Services on the Village's Alley Reconstruction Project (PILOT). Engineer Hodges stated this project is to improve the alleys located at 145th Street and 146th Street between Wentworth and LaSalle. The Engineering agreement will be prepared and will be \$8040.00 for design, construction and engineering.

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 Williams

By: Voice Vote Motion Passed

There being no other business the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Village Clerk



Date Passed