Village of Riverdale

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes held on

Tuesday June 14, 2022

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lawrence Jackson called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at Village of Riverdale Board Chambers located at 157 W. 144th St. at 7:08 p.m.

11. Roll Call

Upon roll call, the following Trustees answered present:

Rodrick Jefferson, Cassandra Riley-Pinkney, Brenda Williams, Erik LeVere and Bradley Smith

Absent: Trustee Gregory: Lewis - medical

Also present.

Police Chief Dave DeMik,, Acting Supt of Public Works Todd Henning, David Gonzalez Finance Director, Village Engineer Chuck Hodges, Andre Russell Community Affairs, Village Attorney Ryan Morton and Village Clerk Karen Holcomb

Absent: Fire Chief Jon Bruce

There being a quorum present the meeting was in order.

Ill. Approval of the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes dated

April 12, 2022

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to approve.

Motion by Trustee Smith and second by Trustee Jefferson

By Voice Vote Motion Passed

IV. Departmental Reports:

Presentation – Frederick Wu from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) to discuss the recent Stormwater Master Plan developed to mitigate flooding.

Mr. Wu indicated the Village of Riverdale is located in the

combined sewer area. Both Sanitary and storm flow end up in

the same exact sewer. Practice and Strategies involve

Combined relief sewers, separate storm relief sewers, surface

flow-bioswales, overhead sewers/ backflow and inlet control.

He mentioned the possibility of storm water being dumped into

Park District’s retention pond. Park Board President Betty

Robinson expressed concern. Mayor Jackson expressed

concern and suggested future meeting involve all stakeholders.

1. Village Administration — Finance Director David Gonzalez

Finance Director Gonzalez mentioned 2022-2023 and publicly displayed.. A Public Hearing to be scheduled in July.

1. Building/Zoning Fire Department & Inspectional Services

Fire Chief Jon Bruce (Mayor Jackson read his report in his absence.) Report from 5/10 thru 6/13

The department had 282 fire/Ems calls, 191 fire calls, 16 in town. Ytd 1365. Community Services: reading with the children and Medical Mondays with our Seniors for BP and glucose checks. Chief Bruce is working on maintenance of our fire vehicles. 130 tickets have been written and 63 permits have been issued.

1. Public Works — Acting Superintendent Todd Henning.

Street Sweeper out daily, 2 water main breaks repaired, 40 Julie locates done, 20 days out cutting grass, 4 days out weed spraying, meters read 2 days, repaired 2 sanitary sewers that collapsed and 2 days 138th & Dearborn & Dearborn sanitary sewer main for n/e side cleaned and with camera used to locate blockage.

1. Police Department – Chief DeMik mentioned junk vehicles in the police and fire departments that need to be disposed of. At the next Board Meeting he’d like them to be declared as junk. Chief DeMik stated signs are posted throughout vehicle regarding loud music and use of fireworks - $750 fine. 250 tickets have been issued for running stop sign, 64 for speeding and 11 for DUI. Chief DeMik reiterated officers have been wearing body cameras for 5 years. We just got update to HD EXON cameras.

E. Village Clerk – Karen Holcomb

Business license renewal time. Licenses are being held if business owners

are delinquent in taxes.

F Village Attorney –

1. An Ordinance Authorizing a Collective Bargaining Agreement by and Between the Village of Riverdale, Cook County, Illinois and Local 743, International Brotherhood of Teamsters.. Mayor Jackson indicated HR Mgr. Vida Summer to email Trustees the agreement/report before next meetings vote.
2. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 8.61 of the Riverdale Municipal Code regarding Medical, Fire and Specialty response cost recovery.

Attorney Morton indicated cost hasn’t changed in 9 years and should be for service provided.

1. A Discussion related to a Resolution Supporting a Class 8 Real Estate Tax Assessment Renewal Application by AGC Holdings LLC for a Restaurant located at 13744 S. Emerald Ave. Village of Riverdale, Cook County, Illinois

Attorney Morton Class B support letter for Joey’s Hot Dogs has part of their PSA this was indicated.

G. Village Engineer – Chuck Hodges

1. A Discussion related to awarding a Contract to the Lowest Responsible Bidder on the Village’s Rebuild Illinois Pavement Rehabilitation Program (Wabash Avenue and Tracy Avenue.

Engineer Hodges indicated this is for roadway improvements to curb, sidewalk removal and replacements. Along with storm sewer replacements and ADA sidewalk crossings. Highest bid received was for $703,000 and the lowest Gallaher at $572,279.00. The involved streets are 142nd – 143rd Wabash and 139th – 140th Tracy.

1. A Discussion related to awarding a Contract to the Lowest Responsible Bidder on the Village’s Lowe Avenue Street Improvements Program (Lowe Avenue: 145th Street to 144th Street)

144th Halsted – Indiana and School St 138th – 144th Street.

Engineer Hodges indicated. Bid openings will be held at 6/21 at 10am. This is similar work and the recommendation would be for the lowest possible bidder.

H. Trustees – Nothing

Public Comments:

1. B. Robinson says that there’s a hole at 141ST Street, Michigan/Edbrooke alley. Supt Henning to check.
2. K. Randle says on 142nd Parnell there’s cars that don’t have stickers. Police Department to check.
3. Mr. Reynolds asked about installation of handicap sigh. Mayor Jackson stated a temporary signed could be installed.
4. Ms. Tucker thanked the Village for cleaning up property.
5. Ms. Wallace asked that speed bumps be installed.
6. C Shipp says vacant home 14211 S. Parnell has trees that need to be cut. Public Works to address.
7. B. Jordan had concerns about her alley.
8. T. Wilson asked where funds go for surplus vehicles. She was told funds go back into the General Fund.
9. B. Singleton says cars parking in alley don’t have stickers. Police to check.
10. Kate Holt introduced as new librarian.

Mayor Lawrence 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 8:20pm

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