

VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday June 30, 2020

Call To Order: The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverdale was called to order by Mayor Lawrence Jackson at Park Elementary School 14200 S. Wentworth Ave.
Village Board Chambers, 157 W. 144th Street at 7:03 P.M.

Meditation/Personal Reflections

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the USA was recited

Roll Call: Trustees: Rodrick Jefferson, Cassandra Riley-Pinkney, Gregory Lewis, Brenda Williams, Erik LeVere and Bradley Smith

Department Heads attending:

Police Chief Dave DeMik, Fire Chief Mick Smith, Supt of Public Works Jerome Russell, Village Engineer Chuck Hodges, Village Attorney Erin Blake and Village Clerk Karen Holcomb

There being a quorum present the meeting was in order.

Mayor Jackson asked to change the order of the Agenda and allowed Chief Hunter from Hazel Crest to present Chief Mick Smith a plaque of accommodation.

Consent Agenda:

Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes dated 3/3/20, 3/10/20, 3/12/20 and 3/26/20

Mayor Lawrence Jackson entertained a motion to approve.

Motion by Trustee Smith and second by Trustee Lewis

By Voice Vote Motion Passed

Correspondence: None

Announcements: Clerk Holcomb announced that Pace Bus Co. was having a Virtual Job Fair for Maintenance Positions on 7/9/2020 – Flyers were made available.

Corporate Bills:

Motion by Trustee Smith and second by Trustee Jefferson to approve the Regular Corporate Bills prior to the period ending Friday June 26, 2020 in the amount of \$729,212.65

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee Jefferson, Smith, Riley-Pinkney, Lewis, Williams and LeVere

Nays: None

Motion Passed

Unfinished business: None

New Business:

- 1. AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY ILLINOIS SUPPORTING A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND APPROVING AN EXECUTIVE ORDER PROTECTING THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE AND PROVIDING RELIEF TO THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS COMMUNITY.**

Mayor Jackson stated due to the Corona Virus and the Governor Pritzker issuing Executive Orders closing down schools and government. The Village also declared a State of Emergency and closed our offices. This ordinance legitimizes our actions.

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee Smith and second by Trustee LeVere

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee LeVere, Smith, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, Lewis and Williams

Nays: None

Motion Passed

- 2. A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING A POLICY BANNING THE USE OF CHOKEHOLDS BY POLICE OFFICERS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS**

Mayor Jackson referred to Chief DeMik. He stated we have this as policy but Resolution solidifies.

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee LeVere and second by Trustee Williams

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee Williams, LeVere, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, Lewis and Smith

Nays: None

Motion Passed

- 3. AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, APPROVING A DEED IN LIEU OF FORECLOSURE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ON THE REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN 14040 PARNELL, RIVERDALE, ILLINOIS.**

Mayor Jackson stated these are standard ordinances where properties are being conveyed to the Village. We're trying to scrub back taxes and get the property back on tax roll.

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee Lewis and second by Trustee Williams

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee Lewis, Williams, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, LeVere and Smith

Nays: None

Motion Passed

4. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, APPROVING A DEED IN LIEU OF FORECLOSURE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ON THE REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN 14319 CLARK STREET, RIVERDALE, ILLINOIS.**

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee Smith and second by Trustee LeVere

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee LeVere, Smith, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, Lewis and Williams

Nays: None

Motion Passed

5. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, APPROVING A DEED IN LIEU OF FORECLOSURE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ON THE REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN 537 PACESETTER PARKWAY, RIVERDALE, ILLINOIS.**

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee LeVere and second by Trustee Smith

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee Smith, LeVere, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, Lewis and Williams

Nays: None

Motion Passed

6. **A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT REGARDING THE ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT.**

Mayor Jackson referred to Chief Smith. He stated this is for additional equipment.

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee Smith and second by Trustee Jefferson

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee Jefferson, Smith, Riley-Pinkney, Lewis, Williams and LeVere

Nays: None

Motion Passed

7. **A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING THE ORGANIZATION AND CREATION OF A NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION TO ORGANIZE, MANAGE AND CREATE**

MEMORIALS FOR THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE'S MILITARY VETERANS.

Mayor Jackson says he's in process of creating a Veteran's Memorial. The proposed site would be 144th and Atlantic

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee LeVere and second by Trustee Lewis

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee Lewis, LeVere, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, Williams and Smith

Nays: None

Motion Passed

8. A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF AN EMPLOYEE DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE POLICY.

Mayor Jackson referred to Attorney Blake. She stated this is drafted due to the legalization of cannabis. It provides new policy as it relates to the new law.

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee Smith and second by Trustee LeVere

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee LeVere, Smith, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, Lewis and Williams

Nays: None

Motion Passed

9. A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE AND THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON REGARDING A MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL TASK FORCE TO DETER STREET GANGS, NARCOTICS, AND CRIMINAL ACTIVITY.

Mayor Jackson referred to Chief DeMik. He stated the Village of Thornton asked if they could join the task force which has been in affect since 2017 with Dolton and South Holland.

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee Lewis and second by Trustee LeVere

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee LeVere, Lewis, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, Williams and Smith

Nays: None

Motion Passed

10. A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH TAYLOR MEDIA, INC FOR VILLAGE MEDIA SERVICES.

Mayor Jackson said he came to Board with this same Resolution with Ms. Kimbrew who has since moved on to other opportunities. Taylor Media is a successor to Ms. Kimbrew and would be performing the same responsibilities.

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee Smith and second by Trustee Lewis

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee Lewis, Smith, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, Williams and LeVere

Nays: None

Motion Passed

11. A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AWARDING A CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST BIDDER FOR THE 2020 PROGRAM YEAR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM.

Mayor Jackson asked to skip this item and go to item 12. Engineer Hodges was delayed in traffic.

Engineer Hodges came in about 10 minutes later.

Mayor Jackson referred to Engineer Hodges. He stated the Village has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$200,000.00 for alley reconstruction. Bid proposals were received. The engineers estimate is \$195,254.00. the highest bidder came in at \$242,376.00 and the lowest bidder who we're recommending is M & J Asphalt at \$194,208.35.

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee Jefferson and second by Trustee Lewis

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee Lewis, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, Williams, LeVere and Smith

Nays: None

Motion Passed

12. A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH KURTZ AMBULANCE SERVICES, INC FOR THE PROVISION OF AMBULANCE SERVICES.

Mayor Jackson referred to Chief Smith. He stated after an assessment of our ambulatory system where we were using Bud's Ambulance which services several other communities. We thought it best interest in provided the best care to our residents to make this change. We decided to go with Kurtz Ambulance which is more cost effective. We'll have our own ambulance on staff 24 hrs a day and respond from our Fire Department. Randall Manns from Kurtz was in the audience with 2 other reps.

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adopt.

Motion by Trustee Lewis and second by Trustee Williams

Roll Call:

Yeas: Trustee Williams, Lewis, Jefferson, Riley-Pinkney, LeVere and Smith

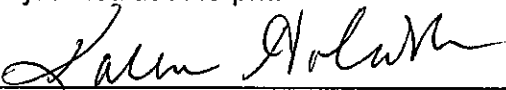
Nays: None

Motion Passed

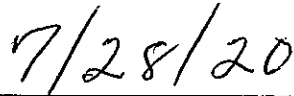
Mayor Jackson asked to go back to item 11.

Public Comments: -

Mayor Jackson entertained a motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting
Motion by Trustee Jefferson and second by Trustee Riley-Pinkney
By Voice Vote Motion Carried. There being no other business the Regular Board Meeting
Adjourned at 7:45 pm.



Village Clerk



Date Passed