

July 11th, 2017

Village of Rapids City
Rock Island County, Illinois

This Regular Board meeting was called to order by President Mire at 7:00p.m.
All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present: Feims, Clark, Fowler, Rankin, Schneider
Absent: Robertson

Also Present: Missy Housenga-Clerk, Ben Barber-Treasurer, Ryan Bump,
Graham Lee, Teri Engle-HPD, Sarah Ford, Mr. & Mrs. Batey, Brianne
Barber, Judy Clark, Danielle Scott, Russell Kinkade

A quorum was established.

CONSENT "Omnibus" Agenda: Feims motioned to approve 06-13-17 minutes, 6/17
Treasurer's Report presented by Barber, 7/17 Monthly bills, Rankin seconded. All present
voted yes. Motion carries.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Danielle Scott, Vice President of the Rapids City Youth Committee addressed the Board.
Due to lack of interest, volunteers, event attendance, and funding, the Rapids City Youth
Committee has decided to dissolve. Rapids City Youth Committee is asking the Village
to accept a donation of \$3799.43 to be used for playground equipment with in the Village
Parks. Fowler motioned to accept the donation of \$3799.43 for Parks and Recreation
equipment, Feims seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

Tiffany Kohrt asked for a reprieve on the sewer portion of her bill as she filled her pool
after replacing her pool liner. The Kohrts will be getting a second meter in the future for
outside water usage. Average sewer cost over the past 13 months is \$71.23. Rankin
motioned for a sewer refund on bill in the amount of \$190.25, Feims seconded. All
present voted yes. Motion carries.

PRESIDENT-Mire: Additional security camera information was gathered as requested
at last month's meeting. Nightwatch Security Services bid as presented was \$1975.00.
Maintenance plan pricing includes all parts and labor for terms sold as per year, 3 year,
or 5 year pricing. An option for hourly call rate is available also. Lee Calabria bid as
presented was \$2700.00 the quote included a monitor not included on the Nightwatch
bid. Maintenance plans were presented as well as hourly service rates. After
discussion Rankin motioned to accept the bid from Nightwatch Security Services in the
amount of \$1975.00 with a 5 year service agreement at \$160.00 per year. Clark
seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

Office renovations will begin July 18th and 19th by Werner Restoration Services and
Advantage Electric.

Route 84 flag project was completed for the July 4th holiday. Mayor Mire commended
Superintendent Bump and Clerk Housenga for their work getting this project expedited
quickly for the holiday. A card was received by the office from Betty Plumb on how
beautiful the flags were. Feims added he had received positive comments also.

A Committee of the Whole Meeting will take place on August 8th to discuss Water, sewer
and garbage rates, along with Community Center rates.

Thank you letters were received from Emilie Price for her retirement send off and Missy
Housenga and Family for bereavement flowers.

POLICE REPORT - Chief Engle: Report as presented. Engle thanked the Village
Board and Mayor for the letter sent commending the actions in saving the life of one of
the residents. Mire stated a commendation letter was sent to Fire Chief Carey, a
resident and a previous employee of the Village for their aide in the same situation.

FIRE REPORT- Chief Carey: Report as presented.

ATTORNEY- G. Lee - : Nothing to report.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Bump: Report as presented.

BUILDING, ZONING & Planning – Feims: Complimented on the cleanliness of the
contractor that completed work on 14th Street and 1st Avenue. The contractor took care
to clean the village street and neighbor's driveway after construction was complete.

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PERSONNEL & FINANCE - Clark: Mire feels a Finance Committee Meeting is needed to discuss bonus goals, employee evaluations and a wage compendium. After discussion Mire and Rankin will develop a bonus goal structure and present at a later date.

INFRASTRUCTURE - Rankin: New bids were presented for the high service pump issue. Advantage Electric gave a quote of \$2900.00 to install a new 15 HP VFD. Peerless submitted a new bid to install a new valve to control current pump. After discussion Rankin motioned to approve the bid from Advantage Electric for \$2900.00 to complete installation of the 15 HP VFD. Schneider seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

Mire drafted a letter to educate residents of sewer matters. All board members reviewed the letter proposed to be sent to residents. Rankin motioned to approve the letter as presented and to be sent with next utility bill. Schneider seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

Rankin reported MidAmerican Energy sent correspondence informing the Village of a new LED light program for streetlights and the migration process to complete the program. Concerns expressed during discussion were brightness and color of the lights. Rankin will research and report back to the board.

ELECTIONS - Mire: No Report.

PARKS, RECREATIONS & CEMETERY- Robertson: A new completed cemetery map was presented in conjunction with a printed project update from MSA for review. In Robertson's absence Mire read information left by Robertson, explaining options for replacing park equipment and the possible need for a comprehensive plan for playground areas. Mire feels waiting for Robertson to return before making any decision is best especially with the new donation received.

ORDINANCE & LICENSES – Schneider: Schneider proposed a motion to amend the Cemetery Ordinance, Article 1; Section 3.7 – Duties. It is the duty of the Village Board to see that the cemetery is kept properly marked, for ingress and egress of the same, and with suitable driveways to and from the cemetery and to insure that all fencing or other obstructions of any type which interfere with grass cutting or maintenance are prohibited; the Village Board shall not permit the improper burial of any person within the cemetery. Also amending Section 4 – Prohibitions. It shall be unlawful for any person or person to deface, break, molest or in any way interfere with or destroy, injure or harm any gravestone, tree, marker wreath, fence, floral arrangement or any object in the confines or pertaining to the cemetery. Fowler seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Schneider motioned to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance as presented/ Feims seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS, EVENT PLANNING & PUBLIC SAFTEY - Fowler: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: Rankin reported the surveying by the State of Illinois of the flood plains will begin July 5th and will continue through October 31st. Bump stated he feels the gazebo offered as a donation from Feims should be able to be moved and placed at Village Hall near the flag. He will look into options for moving the gazebo. Mire thanked Feims for the donation.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None.

With nothing further to be discuss, Rankin motioned/ Schneider seconded to adjourn and all concurred, President Mire adjourned this July 11th, 2017-regular meeting at 7:56 p.m..

Clerk