

October 9th, 2018

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 – Fiems, Fowler, Mire, Rankin, Robertson
Absent – Clark, Schneider

Also Present – Attorney Lee, Treasurer Barber, Public Works Director Bump, Clerk Housenga, Steve Haring of MSA Professional Services, Julie Hager of Blackhawk Bank and Trust, Toni Gasper of Blackhawk Bank and Trust, Chad Borland of Blackhawk Bank and Trust, Julie Doty, Chris Gillman, Barb Gillman, Roger McGeehon, Lorie McGeehon, Julie Wildermuth, Ray Colman of Azavar Government Solutions, Velma Kopatich

A quorum was established.

CONSENT “Omnibus” Agenda: Fiems motioned to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes 09/11/18, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes 09/26/2018, Monthly Bills 10/2018 and Treasurer’s Report presented by Barber 09/2018. Fowler Seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

President Mire deviated from the regular agenda as a time sensitive matter needed to be addressed. Bump briefed the Board concerning the 4th Avenue and 13th Street drainage project specifically changes to accommodate new problem areas. Bump presented a map of the project areas. Work to be completed will include reshaping of the ditches for the south side of 4th Avenue; east side of 13th Street also replacing two culverts; 3rd Avenue also replacing a culvert and one driveway culvert. All proposed culverts to be replaced will be replaced with 15 inch culverts. Original board approval for the original project was \$19,960.00. A quote for the project with the changes proposed is \$23,902.00. During budgeting the amount allotted for the project was \$30,000.00. Bump stated while the contractor is here the drainage on the north side of 4th Avenue could be addressed as well; this portion of the project has not been bid. Bump asked for approval of the modified project at a cost of \$23,902.00 plus the cost to addition of the north side of 4th Avenue to be completed. Rankin motioned to complete the entire 3rd and 4th Avenues and 13th Street drainage project cost not to exceed \$30,000.00 work to be completed by McClintock Trucking and Excavating. Fiems seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: Julie Hager, Toni Gasper and Chad Borland of Blackhawk Bank and Trust discussed online payment options. Chad gave information on the terms and rates for the option to accept payments via authorize.net. Rates would vary depending on the volume of transactions. Application and set up fees would apply. No action was taken at this time.

Ray Coleman of Azavar Government Solutions presented a new joint agreement for funds recovery services. The newly proposed agreement stated if the Village and another 2-3 municipalities were to contract Azavar’s services a discounted volume rate would be given at 40%. The proposed consortium agreement states all municipalities would need to sign the agreements by December 31st, 2018. After discussion it was established Attorney Mason will draft revised verbiage clearly stating the number of municipalities within the agreement and a possible tiered rate system for the number of municipalities taking part. Mason will also include a clause to indemnify the Village if Azavar’s system is breached. Mire tabled the matter at this time. Mason will draft the changes, present to the contractor and the matter will be addressed at the next meeting.

PRESIDENT –Mire: Mire explained MidAmerican Energy has offered the Village a \$500.00 grant for improvements. The Village will be using the funds to replace the microwaves in the Community Center,

The Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon will be held on November 14th, 2018 from 11:30-1:30pm; lunch to be served at noon. Budgeted funds for the event were \$1700.00 Mire reported the event so far is costing \$935.00. Mire also noted he has reached out for donations for the event as well to help cover the costs. Mire asked for the meeting attendees to please give names of any home bound residents that would qualify for a meal so the Village could take a meal to them.

Mire touched base on the Emergency Alert Siren. He has been in touch with Representative McCombie to assist with funding for the system. More information will be available in the upcoming weeks.

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PRESIDENT –Mire continued: The Water Loop Project has been discussed with Senator Anderson and Representative McCombie. Senator Anderson's office has reached out and may be able to help out with funding for our project. Mire will keep the Board updated when more information is available.

POLICE REPORT – Chief Perley: Mire announced Dave Perley has promoted to Chief. The Board approved a donation for \$100.00 to the Hampton Police Department for Halloween candy. Officer Johnson will be patrolling Rapids City on Halloween night passing candy out to Trick or Treaters.

ATTORNEY – G. Lee: Attorney Mason attended the meeting for Attorney Lee. Clerk Housenga reported 8 easement agreements have been signed for the Sulphur Creek Project. Mire noted contact has been attempted with all residents along the creek path and agreements have been mailed. Next week another attempt to contact the residents along the creek will be made to try to secure signed easement agreements. Mire explained once again 100% resident agreeance needs to be secured before the project will begin.

FIRE REPORT – Chief Carey: Report as presented.

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

BUILDING, ZONING & PLANNING – Fiems: 7 permits were taken out last month, 1 of which is new construction. Mire explained a new pending Planning and Zoning Request has been received more information to come.

PERSONNEL & FINANCE – Clark: Clerk Housenga explained Clark authorized \$100.00 to be donated to Ann's Helping Hands. Friends of Hallberg Civic Center requested a donation, due to lack of interest the matter dies.

INFRASTRUCTURE – Rankin: Rankin explained a second water meter currently costs \$230.47, costs to the Village to purchase the meters comes in at \$310.59. Rankin noted going forward the new cost of a second meter will now be \$310.59. Rankin revisited the Emergency Alert Siren. More than one siren may be needed to reach all residents within the Village. Through discussions with the Village of Hampton and Hampton Police Department it has been determined Hampton is looking into a new alert system. Hampton Police Department would activate the system for Rapids City if there were a situation; therefore purchasing the same style of system Hampton purchases would be advantageous. New bids are being sought to complete the project. Rankin is working with a trustee from Hampton and will have more information in the future. Rankin introduced Steve Haring of MSA Professional Services to touch base on the Water Loop Project. The best estimated cost for the project is \$264,300.00; \$34,000.00 of the project is for design and permitting. Before any design and engineering work is to be completed the associated fees are needed to get the project underway. Mire noted these costs are estimates once the project is designed true figures will be identified. Mire explained the rate increase that took place in January of 2018 was to fund this project. Per Treasurer Barber funds between the Water account and a loan from Sewer account could finance the project. Mire also stated in the event the sewer account could not supply funds a low interest loan could be secured. Robertson motioned to approve design and permitting to be completed by MSA and fees to be paid not to exceed \$34,000.00 for design engineering and permitting the Water Loop Project. Fiems seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

ELECTIONS – Mire: Mire noted election packets for 3 – 4 year Trustee positions are now available for pick up.

PARKS, RECREATIONS & CEMETERY – Robertson: Robertson explained Village's grant application for the Schuler's Shady Grove Wellness Center has been submitted. Two table and chair carts are to be purchased for the Community Center at a cost of \$249.99 each.

ORDINANCE & LICENSES – Schnieder: Alcohol licensing and ordinance will be rewritten and presented at the next Regular Board Meeting.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS, EVENT PLANNING & PUBLIC SAFETY – Fowler: Fowler has one more business for the Facebook page to get and the Rapids City Businesses group will be complete.

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COMMUNITY RELATIONS, EVENT PLANNING & PUBLIC SAFETY – Fowler continued:

The Bi-State Representative for MUNICES has heard from all but two municipalities authorizing our joining of the organization. Once all municipalities have authorized, an agreement will be circulated with a start date for our Village to utilize MUNICES services as of January 1st, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS: Mire gave an update on the Engine Braking Ordinance. Rock Island County Board has passed a permitting process to enforce prohibited engine braking. The Village has applied and submitted for permits. Once Rock Island County approves signs will be ordered and installed.

NEW BUSINESS: Mire has noted all Board Members, Village Staff and himself has received new email addresses. A list of addresses will be available at the Village Office and websites. Mire brought all attendees current concerning an escalated situation of the parking of a school bus on 17th Street and the effects to residents residing on that street. Resident Barb Gillman drives the bus for Riverdale School District she is also a resident on 17th Street. Residents and Trustee voiced concerns about parking the bus on the street. Through lengthy discussion it was determined President Mire would have a discussion with School District Superintendent Ron Jacobs proposing the parking of the bus at Village Hall. Fiems will research and draft an ordinance proposing stricter guidelines for commercial street parking. Mire asked all residents to be civil to each other.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: Resident Julie Doty inquired on the status of Sulphur Creek Park. Bump explained the incorrect equipment was sent to the Village. A resolution has been identified and the park should be open soon.

Doty also addressed concerns about liability responsibility of property damage if it occurs during the Sulphur Creek reestablishment project. When more information about the reestablishment project and contractors associated with the project are available it given to all residents.

Julie Wildermuth inquired about pricing and rental history of the Community Center since the rate increase. Clerk Housenga explained the Center's rental history has always fluctuated and had no concerns with the amount of rentals so far this year. Mire noted the Village's Community Center is one of the lowest cost facilities available in the area. Mire pointed out the Village does not make money on the facility, the Center is available for a community service. Bump reported the power for the electronic sign has been bored. An application for MidAmerican Energy to install the electric has been submitted.

With nothing further to be discussed, Fiems motioned to adjourn this Regular Board Meeting; Fowler seconded. All members of the Board agreed. President Mire adjourned this October 9th, 2018 meeting at 9:03pm.

Clerk