

January 10, 2012

Village of Rapids City

Rock Island County, Illinois

This Regular Board meeting was called to order by President ProTem Eggers at 7:00 p.m.

All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present – Corson, Hemm, Eggers, Dopler, and Lack.

Absent –Rankin, Bird.

Also Present – Clerk Price, Attorney Fuller, Ryan Bump, Don Carey/RCFPD, and Anthony Holland-candidate for RICO Recorder, Chuck Hedeem, Russell Kinkade, Casey Mallary, and Harold French.

A quorum was established.

PRESIDENT RANKIN: A monthly and yearly report from the fire dept. was presented. Eggers reported that the city received a thank you from the Riverdale Education Foundation for the donation they received from Rapids City.

CONSENT “Omnibus” Agenda: Corson motioned/ Lack seconded to approve 12/11 Regular Minutes, 1/12 Monthly Bills, 12/11 Treasurers Report. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

POLICE REPORT - Chief Fuller: Report as presented.

ATTORNEY - Fuller: Fuller is in contact with Michael Price concerning his property on 19th Street. Price is going to contact the fire department to see if they could do a burn of the house. TMI requested more information on the sewer back up issue. Fuller will get with Ryan on more details.

BUILDING & ZONING – Hemm: 6 permits.

CEMETERY – Eggers: No report.

ELECTIONS – Rankin: No report.

FINANCE - Corson: Corson authorized a donation of \$100 to the Riverdale After Prom.

ORDINANCE & LICENSES – Eggers: Lack wants the board to consider changing the ordinance back to the way it originally was concerning the board members getting paid per month.

PARKS & RECREATION – Dopler: No report.

PERSONNEL – Corson: No report.

PLANNING – Bird: There is a planning meeting January 12, 2012 at 6 p.m. Price wil contact Bird to see if he will be able to attend.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Bird: No report.

PUBLIC WORKS – Hemm: Ryan reported that he will have to purchase 96 tons of salt this year according to our contract. He doesn't have anywhere to put it because they haven't had to use any salt. The salt storage building has limited storage space now because of the bowing of the wall. He suggested pouring a new cement pad for the skateboarders and using the current skate pad to put the salt. At this point it may be necessary to use the skate park until another solution is found. Ryan needs to see how soon we have to get the salt this year. The board needs to think about a solution for the spring.

SEWER – Lack: A meeting has been set for February 14, 2012 at 6 p.m. prior to the regular scheduled board meeting to discuss protocol for sewer backups and lowering sewer bills.

WASTE MANAGEMENT – Dopler: Bird said there was an issue over the holiday with garbage pick-up.

WATER – Lack: No report.

ORDERS, RESOLUTIONS AND/OR ORDINANCES BY THE TRUSTEES:None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Mary Beth Eggers has officially resigned her volunteer position as Rapids City webmaster. The board will need to decide if any other member or volunteer would like to take this position or consider paying the current staff to handle this duty. Eggers will check into the going rate for this job.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: Chuck Hedeem has two rental properties in Rapids City. He has got "stuck" with water bills. He wanted to know if there was an exception that he wouldn't be charged for water/sewer bill when his property was empty. He

was told that he had an option to shut water off, which would cost \$150. This is set by ordinance. If the water is accessible for use residents are required to pay the minimum. Eggers stated that is the cost of ownership.

CLOSED SESSION: None.

With nothing further to be discussed President ProTem Eggers adjourned this January 10, 2012-regular meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Village Clerk