

**October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

Village of Rapids City  
Rock Island County, Illinois

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

All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Absent – Bird

Also Present – President Rankin, Clerk Price, Attorney Fuller, Ryan Bump, Chief Fuller, Steve Haring with MSA, Don Carey with RCFPD, Harold and Cindy Mire, Diane Christensen with Eagle Pointe Homeowners Assn., and Sarah Ford.

A quorum was established.

**CONSENT “Omnibus” Agenda:** Dopler motioned to approve 9/12 minutes, 9/20/12 Emergency Board Meeting minutes, 9/12 Treasurer’s Report, and 10/12 bills/Eggers seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

**PRESIDENT RANKIN:** The board received a thank you from the Warren Sutton Golf Tournament for the village donation. Paul Loete is now the new IDOT-Deputy Director of Highway with District 2. October 20 RICWMA will have a drop off collection event for electronic waste at the Rock Island County Fairgrounds from 9-1. Rapids City Water Department received a certificate of commendation for achieving the highest standard of compliance in accordance with the Illinois Fluoridation Act 2011. Fire Chief Carey reports that the fire department purchased a used ladder truck. They are doing some work on it before it is ready for use. He said this was a slow month. The fire department will host a Halloween party from 5-7 on Oct. 31. All the kids are invited.

**POLICE REPORT - Chief Fuller:** The police received a complaint about semi trucks parking at the Brothers. The village has no ordinance on parking there, however they will issue citations for noise as this is the biggest concern. The village concurred to donate \$100 to the police for Halloween candy.

**ATTORNEY - Fuller:** Fuller received the quick claim back from Michael Price. Fuller still needs to get Sheila Price’s signature back. She will pursue this. The village can proceed with the asbestos report.

**BUILDING & ZONING –Hemm:** 6 permits. Diane Christensen proposed to put a statue 3x3 and 2x2, 7 feet 2 inches total height and 36 inch wing span in the middle of the cul-de-sac in Eagle Pointe. This will be privately funded by the Eagle Pointe Association. Bump had concerns about plowing around the boulders and statue. Bump said he is careful, but doesn’t want to be responsible for any of the objects in this circle that may be damaged or moved. He said that this is where he stacks snow because it is part of the street right of way. Mire said there is no resistance to putting snow in yards. Eggers said the village couldn’t afford to truck snow away if we get a huge snowfall. Mire said that it is not the intention that the city will incur any expense because of this. With the village bearing no responsibility with this, Hemm motion that the Eagle Pointe Association could install the statue/Dopler seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

**CEMETERY –Eggers:** We have filed for full exempt status on the cemeteries. Ryan and Glenda may go to the class to be certified as a cemetery customer service employee.

**ELECTIONS –Rankin:** The election for new board members will be April 9, 2013. The position open will be President and 3 Village Trustee positions. All are 4 year terms. Packets may be picked up after Sept. 25, 2012. Filing period will be Dec. 17, 2012 thru Dec. 24, 2012. The expiring terms are Rankin, Eggers, Dopler and Hemm. The motor trolley will be at the Village hall October 29 from 9a.m. to 10:30am. The webmaster needs to put this on the website. Also residents may go to the Rock Island County website for information on the election for November 6.

**FINANCE -Corson:** Eggers motioned to accept the Tax Levy as presented/Corson seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Jeff motioned to accept the contract for window washing only in the amount of \$860 for the year/Dopler seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Corson motioned The Village of Rapids City hereby approves and adopts the Code of Conduct supported by federal grant funds, Citizens Participation

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Plan, Equal Employment Opportunity Policy-Ordinance No. 10-9-2012, Policy regarding Sexual Harassment in Employment, Procurement Policy, Prohibition of the use of excessive force, Residential Ant displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan.

The Village also recognizes Affirmation of Duplication of Benefits for CDBG Disaster Recovery Program Planning Program (PLP) application number: 41157 and Illinois Disaster Recovery Programs financial management functions. We have posted a notice of nondiscrimination on the basis of disability, affirmation fair housing policy, and section 504 grievance procedure/Eggers seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

**ORDINANCE & LICENSES –Eggers:** No report.

**PARKS & RECREATION –Dopler:** We need to put the playground equipment on hold until the next budget.

**PERSONNEL –Corson:** None.

**PLANNING –Bird:** None

**PUBLIC SAFETY Hemm:** None.

**PUBLIC WORKS –Hemm:** Bump reported the asphalt in Deer Run has been patched. Steve Haring with MSA congratulated the village on the indication of the grant for \$75K. We received an email asking if we wanted to change the level of scope of work since we didn't get the \$100K as requested. MSA's recommendation is to not eliminate anything. The village put in the scope of work comprehensive planning, economic development, sewer development, sewer televising, collection system I & I data, waste water facility plan (our own), transportation, and housing. Rankin feels top priority is to videotape the sewer system. The grant must be completed in 18 months.

**SEWER –Lack:** The sewer bill is down. Bump said there is a little issue with the lift station and he is having it jetted out.

**WASTE MANAGEMENT – Dopler:** None.

**WATER – Lack:** Lack said that a resident received a late fee in July. He had placed his payment in the post office mail instead of dropping it in the drop box at the office. He said he called the office and the lady in the office told him not to worry about it. He then received a late fee and was upset and went to talk to Lack. She said since he came and told her the story; she would waive the late fee for July. Lack was told she wasn't authorized to do that so she paid his late fee herself which was \$13.08. Lack wanted to motion that the person in charge of water/sewer can make this type of decision on their own, such as waiving late fees and taking sewer charges off. Hemm and Eggers said that you would just be setting yourself up for problems. Dopler said that you could be accused of doing favors for friends. Hemm and Eggers stated that the board makes decisions collectively, not as individuals. Dopler suggested that committee people could talk to each other and make a decision without taking it to the board. Hemm said if a board member would make a decision on their own, people would be questioning their ethics.

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** No report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Halloween trick or treat will be Wednesday, October 31 from 5-7:30p.m. The Rapids City Community Center will host a hot dog roast from 4-5 prior to trick or treating.

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION:** None.

**CLOSED SESSION:** None.

With nothing further to be discussed. President Rankin adjourned this October 9, 2012-regular meeting at 7:53 p.m.

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VILLAGE CLERK