

Village of Rapids City
Committee of the Whole Meeting to discuss Community Center Use, Liquor License Revision,
Personnel - Compensation
April 10th, 2018

President Mire called the meeting of the Committee of the Whole to order at 6:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Clark, Fowler, Schneider, Rankin, Robertson, Schneider, Mire

Absent: Fiems

Others Present: Missy Housenga, Julie Doty

This Committee of the Whole Meeting was held to discuss Community Center use, Liquor License Revisions and Personnel compensation.

President Mire addressed the Community Center policy concerning use when a death occurs if a resident or a family member of a resident of Rapids City occurs. The policy in the past has been if a death of a Rapids City Resident or immediate family occurs the Center is available at no charge for a get together after a funeral. Mire wanted to bring the discussion to the Board for a policy to be set forth for this type of use. Recently there has been two instances where residents have had deaths in their families and neither of the deceased were residents at the time of death, one was allowed to use the facility at no charge and the other was billed. Mire instructed to refund the family that was charged for the facility. It has also been questioned why set up of tables and chairs for these get-togethers are done by Village Employees on Village time. Resident Julie Doty briefed the board about previous practices for handling gatherings for funerals dinners. Rankin thinks any resident and/or surviving spouse or family member as long as they are residents should be able to use the facility for a final gathering, furthermore he is alright with Public Works setting up tables and chairs. Mire states as long as this is a service is available to all residents he has no problems carrying on this service. Rankin wants to ensure anyone renting the facility would not be forfeiting there rental for such an event. Doty explained in the past it has been practice to offer a different date to hold a dinner since the facility was already booked. Julie is willing to coordinate the dinners going forward until she is no longer capable of such. Mire would like to still retain a deposit for cleaning. Robertson feels \$50.00 deposit is a reasonable deposit amount. Schneider would like to solidify the policy. The question was brought up about residency if the deceased was last in a nursing or assisted living facility. Mire will work with the Clerk Housenga to set forth a policy with the recommendation offered today.

Mire continued the meeting to discuss revising the Liquor Ordinance. After conducting more research on the matter of a background check for renewing a liquor license Mire would like to revise Title II, Chapter 6, Article 4, Section 12.2. Mire opened the conversation of omitting or modifying Section 12.2 – F. It was recommended to change the frequency of the background check to every five (5) years. During discussion it was identified the entire Liquor Ordinance is not gender neutral. Mire acknowledged all recommendations and would like to completely revise the Liquor Ordinance to be presented at a future meeting.

At this time, 6:34pm, President Mire announced the Board needed to go into Executive/Closed Session to discuss Personnel matters. Trustee Rankin will take minutes for the Closed Session portion of the meeting. Robertson motioned to enter Closed Session. Rankin seconded. All in attendance vote yes.

At 7:03pm Clerk Housenga re-entered the open session of the Committee of the Whole meeting.

President Mire reconvened the open session of the Committee of the whole meeting. Rankin motioned to raise the Treasurer's monthly pay from \$350.00 to \$400.00. Schneider seconded. All in attendance voted yes. Motion carries.

Having no further business to conduct at this time President Mire adjourned by consensus of the Board at 7:04pm.

Clerk