

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

Roll Call:

Physically Present – Fiems, Fowler, Robertson, Rankin, Enloe, Schnieder

Absent – None.

Others Physically Present – Public Works Director Bump, Clerk Housenga, Attorney Nick Mason, Susan & Peter Ohrt, Captain Darren Hart, Ron Burarker, Corey & Debra Fulton, Kathy Sattizahn, Caroline Byrne, Jeff McFarland, Greg Mosley, Andrew Mathahs Jr., Julie Doty, Jim Dowsett, Scott Tinsman, Bill & Donna Sainer, Carrie Riley, Chis Tinsman, Claire Bird, Jan Spier, Bonnie Gray

Others Virtually Present – Treasurer Barber, Sarah Ford, Kevin DeWalshe

A quorum was physically established.

CONSENT “Omnibus” Agenda: Fiems motioned to approve 07/10/2021 Regular Meeting Minutes, 09/2021 Monthly Bills and Treasure’s Report presented by Barber for 08/2021; Rankin seconded. All members voted yes, motion passes.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: Mire noted he received an email titled Invasion of Privacy and Harassment dated September 13th at 9:14pm as well as all the other Trustees from Kathy Sattizahn. Mire noted that he will entertain comments pertaining to all matters on the agenda except for those of civil matters which may constitute as criminal and would need to be addressed with Rock Island County Sheriff’s Department.

Kathy Sattizahn first addressed the Board requesting assistance with having above ground power, cable and phone lines buried along 1st Avenue as she feels they are unkept and unattractive. Kathy has contacted MidAmerican Energy and Frontier Communications to start the process of moving poles and lines below ground. MidAmerican Energy needs Village approval to move forward with the moving of lines with fees per Sattizahn, costs are unknown. No action was taken on this matter.

Sattizahn then addressed the Board concerning what she believes are violations of Village Code of Ordinances which include tall weeds, trash piled up, unleashed dogs, vicious dogs, loud dogs. Mire stated unleashed dogs, vicious dogs, loud dogs, disturbing the peace all need to be discussed with law enforcement. Sattizahn stated if laws or ordinances are being broken then individuals should have the same recourse. Sattizahn explained situations to the Board of the treatment of guests at her home as she wanted Village Officials to be aware. Sattizahn also spoke to deflect rumors of her personal life. Mire explained to Sattizahn the responsive actions to her complaints taken by officials and employees and also explaining the Board will only make a decision on a case based on factual documentation and personal life matters have no place in a public forum.

Mire clarified that there should be no stigmas that are attached to those that have certain personal life preferences and the board does not condone any type of stereotyping.

James Taylor of Carpentier, Mitchell, Goddard, & Company, LLC reviewed the municipal audit conducted this year. Overall, the Village is in very good standing with no findings to report. Recommendations were made to help improve internal control.

PRESIDENT – Mire: Nothing to report at this time.

POLICE REPORT: Administration Captain Darren Hart introduced himself and reviewed the report as supplied by the Rock Island County Sheriff’s Office.

ATTORNEY – N. Mason: Nothing to report at this time.

FIRE REPORT – Chief Carey: Report reviewed as provided.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: No additional information to report.

INFRASTRUCTURE – Rankin: Rankin gave an update report on the 13th Street Culvert replacement project. Easement agreements will be needed to move forward with the replacement of the culvert from Strada Communications and Griffith’s Auto Stop. Permits have been applied for form IEPA and IDNR as the project is in a designated wetland.

The Waterloo project is projected to start boring in October. Since the contract awardee, McClintock Excavating, is changing insurance companies new review of the insurance documents is required by Canadian Pacific Railroad. The project will be started once final approval from the railroad has been received. All other requirements for this project have been met.

Public Works Director Bump and Rankin met with several engineering firms to review goals for the stabilization, paving and wastewater needs of 17th Street. Proposals for engineering costs will be presented at the November 2021 Regular Board Meeting. The desired outcome for the

complete project will be broke down in three phases. Rankin will want to hold an infrastructure meeting in November after bids have been received.

PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERY – Robertson: Robertson previously mentioned the IDNR was taking applications for BAAD Grant program through September 1st. After meeting with Ricky from Bi-State Regional Commission it was identified that the requirements for the grant application were unobtainable for the period given. A checklist of requirements was provided to Trustees of all documents need to apply the grant. Robertson would like to budget funds for next fiscal year based off the checklist requirements to make the applying for the grant a smother process.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS, EVENT PLANNING & PUBLIC SAFTEY – Fowler: November 16th, 2021 will be the next Senior Thanksgiving luncheon. Robertson motioned to approve funding of \$1,750.00 for the Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon; Fiems seconded the motion; all present members voted yes, motion passes.

Clerk Housenga reviewed the procedure to sign up and the purpose of CivicReady the emergency alert service the Village offers. The service will be changing to another platform the change should be seamless with residents not knowing a change has happened.

ORDINANCE & LICENSES –Fiems: Nothing to report at this time.

PERSONNEL & FINANCE – Schneider: A report was provided by MUNICIPALITIES and reviewed. IRMWA sent a renew notice that annual dues are not going up once again. A statement for the dues will be coming next month and if paid early discount is given.

ELECTIONS – Mire: Nothing to report at this time.

BUILDING, ZONING & PLANNING – Enloe: Review of the Kathy Sattizahn's request to the Planning & Zoning Commission and their determination of her request was completed. Mire summarized and explained why and the way hearing on August 30th, 2021 was conducted as per determined by Village Ordinance. Mire gave Kathy Sattizahn 11 minutes and 7 seconds to speak on behalf of her proposed request. Peter Orhrt of Clinton, IA, Bonnie Gray of LeClaire, IA and Kevin DeWalshe of Rapids City spoke in favor of Sattizahn's request. Carrie Riley spoke on behalf of the proposed idea and expressed that she would like to see one of her properties becoming a similar type of rental property in the future. Mire reiterated that the Village received letters of support from Jake Walkendorf, Sharon Smith, Bob Davis, Brandon Sattizahn, Donna Arnold and Joe Moreno.

Mire also asked if any of the attendees if they were wanting to speak as to oppositions and concerns. Chris Tinsman, Corey Fulton, Bill Sainer, Scott Tinsman spoke to the Board in opposition and/or concerns. Mire also reviewed the non-abutting protests received by Deb and Corey Fulton, William and Donna Sainer, Jeff McFarland and Caroline Byrne, Greg and Kathy Mosley,

Mire moved along the meeting addressing the 6 parcels that directly about Sattizahn's property one letter written by Kendra Mulcahy was submitted as a letter in favor of Sattizahn's proposal. Mire addressed letters of protest provided by Bill Mathahs (owns 2 parcels), Steve and Sandra Moffitt, Elizabeth Tinsman, Jim Dowsett. Mire verified with each protest submitter that was in attendance that they in fact did submit and would like to withhold their protest, which in turn each responded that they did and would like to keep their protests intact.

Mire reviewed information pertaining to this type of matter provided by Village Legal Counsel prior a vote being taken.

With the Board hearing and reviewing all aspects the proposed request and reading the recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission Fiems motioned to uphold the denial recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission for this rezoning request changing 1814 1st Avenue from R-1 to R-2; Rankin seconded the motion; all members of the Board concurring this motion passes.

OLD BUSINESS: Mire noted a thank you was received from Raging Rapids for the donation the village gave.

NEW BUSINESS: Rankin provided pictures of a storm drain located off of 9th Ave and 15th Street Court. The concrete stormwater drainage system is starting to fail and maybe becoming a hazard. Bump will get a price on repair or replacement of the concrete to mitigate the hazard.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: Julie Doty spoke as to the condition of 14th Street and the fact that the school busses are part of the contributing factors as to the condition of the road. Public Works Director Bump stated the road will be fixed next week.

Before concluding this meeting Mire thanked all attendees for their decorum during the meeting. With nothing further to discuss Rankin motioned to conclude this Regular Board Meeting at 8:50pm. Fiems seconded, all members of the Board concurred.

Missy M. Housenga
Village Clerk