

**VILLAGE OF NORTH RIVERSIDE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING, September 2, 2014  
COUNCIL ROOM, 7:00 PM**

Mayor Hermanek called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with a Pledge of Allegiance and a Roll Call. In attendance were Trustee Bianco, Trustee Czajka, Trustee Decosola, Trustee Mengoni and Trustee Wilt. Trustee Demopoulos was absent.

Others in attendance were Administrator Belmonte, Finance Director Scarpiniti, Public Works Director Kutt, Recreation Director Michalik, Police Chief Niemann, Fire Chief Basek and Attorney Hayes.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Trustee Mengoni moved, seconded by Trustee Wilt to approve the agenda for this meeting with the additional piece of Correspondence. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Mengoni, Wilt

NAYS: None. Motion carried

ABSENT: Trustee Demopoulos

**BIDS**- None

**CASH RECEIPT REPORT**

Trustee Wilt moved, seconded by Trustee Mengoni to accept the Cash Receipt Report for the month of June totaling \$1,514,462.28 as presented. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Mengoni, Wilt

NAYS: None. Motion carried

ABSENT: Trustee Demopoulos

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Trustee Mengoni moved, seconded by Trustee Czajka to approve the August 11, 2014 Village Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Mengoni

NAYS: None. Motion carried

ABSTAIN: Trustee Wilt

ABSENT: Trustee Demopoulos

## **REPORT OF TRUSTEES**

### **Trustee Bianco ( Streets, Alleys, Sidewalks, & Refuse)**

Trustee Bianco mentioned that a letter went out from ComEd to residents about tree trimming around town. Trimming will take place within the next few weeks for those residents that have wires disturbed by these trees.

Trustee Bianco also informed the residents that recently, several board members were nominated to accept the Ice Bucket Challenge. A donation was made to Denise Swallow, a resident in town struggling with ALS.

### **Trustee Czajka ( Buildings Public Grounds, Lights, Public Services & Transportation) - No Report**

### **Trustee Decosola ( Judiciary, Ordinances, Recreation)**

Trustee Decosola read the following report from the Recreation Department:

The Citizen's Recreation Committee met for the first time under new direction. Director Michalik brought all members up to speed with current state and focus of the Parks and Recreation Department. The Committee was briefed on staffing, financial goals, current events and the new brochure. The committee will continue to develop its own focus and goals as the meetings continue.

Preschool began last week and is off to a good start. We are expecting another 19 to begin our supplement early learning programs next week. Miss Liz and staff are doing a wonderful job instilling the value of education in our young residents.

Fall/Winter FUN Guide has been delivered to all residents. Registration is being taken now, so we encourage people to get in soon to secure their spots in all of our new programs and familiar favorites.

Fall Flea Market is this Saturday, September 6th, from 9am to 2pm. We will host over 100 vendors with a variety of treasures for purchase.

We were awarded a grant from Riverside Township to enhance the entertainment in the Kids Area for Autumn Fest on Friday, September 26th. We will have our returning bounce houses, a face painter, and a world renowned balloon twister. We will also have a popular band, Stateline, performing that night to keep everyone on their feet! We can't thank Riverside Township enough for their support.

Trustee Decosola called for a Recreation Committee meeting for Ordinances on September 10th at 6:00 pm.

**REPORT OF TRUSTEES (continued)**

Trustee Demopoulos ( Water, Sewers, Drainage & Zoning)- Absent

Trustee Mengoni ( Police, Fire & License)

Trustee Mengoni submitted the Fire and EMS Calls for the month of August 2014 as follows:

|             | <u>August</u> | <u>YTD</u> |
|-------------|---------------|------------|
| Fire        | 78            | 707        |
| EMS         | 143           | 871        |
| Inspections | 95            | 682        |
| Compliances | 53            | 394        |

Trustee stated that on August 14th the Fire Department received a grant totaling \$3,050 for the purchase of new AED devices. The Fire Department continued to attend block parties and Blood Pressure Screening at both the Village Commons and the Fire Department. A CPR Class was also conducted t the Fire Department.

Chief Basek wanted extend an invitation to all residents for the 9-1-1 Ceremony "A Celebration of Hero's" on Thursday September 11th at 9:45 am at the Fire Department.

Trustee Wilt ( Finance, Health & Appropriations)- No report

**MAYORAL REPORT**

Mayor Hermanek read the following Community Development Update:

- Presales- The Community Development Department performed seven (6) single-family and one (1) commercial presale inspection over the past three weeks totaling \$2,916.00 in fees.
- Permit Totals- Over the past three weeks the department issued 55 residential and commercial permits totaling \$13,864.49.
- ATI - Submitted a permit for and interior build-out of one of the four tenant spaces in multi-tenant building under construction on Lot #5 of the Costco outlots. The value of construction is listed at \$160, 000.
- AAA Auto Care- submitted drawings for new construction on Lot #2 of the Costco outlots. No value of construction is listed on the permit application.
- Fifth Third Drive-up Facility- The structure has been demolished.

## **MAYORAL REPORT (continued)**

- Red Robin- Pre-final was conducted on August 26th for a possible opening of end of September. The inspection did not pass the village's inspections; however, Red Robin was permitted to allow training of managers and conducted job interviews. A follow up pre-final was conducted on today's date with a temporary certificate of occupancy issued. Opening date is tentatively scheduled for September 29, 2014.
- Staff met with Brian Eber, NE Floodplain Program Coordinator for IL Department of Natural Resources, due to an audit of the Village's flood control program. Mr. Eber had three concerns that he had identified during his inspection of the village, which staff was able to answer during the meeting. Mr. Eber confirmed in an email to the Village Engineer that the village had passed the audit with "flying colors".
- Auntie Anne's- Submitted drawings for an interior remodel of a larger tenant space inside the North Riverside Park Mall. Value of construction is listed at \$140,000.
- 7929 W. Cermak Road- The parcel at the southeast corner of DesPlaines and Cermak Road sold on August 22nd. Village staff will be meeting with the new owner(s) on September 4th to discuss development of the site.
- 8019 W. 26th Street- The oldest home in North Riverside was purchased and remodeled earlier this year by Vintage 2 LLC. They recently sold the single-family residence for \$355,000.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

There were two (2) block party requests, one for the 2500 block of 4th Avenue for September 13th and the other for the 2300 block of 8th Avenue for September 20th.

The Lions Club is requesting permission to solicit on 1st Avenue and Cermak Road on October 9th and 10th.

Chicago International Christian Church requested permission to solicit on Cermak Road and 1st Avenue on October 4th and November 8th.

Girls Scouts are requesting permission to sell cookies throughout the village for the month of October.

Joey Zyck, a Youth Scholarship recipient, sent a thank you card to the Mayor and Village Board.

Trustee Bianco moved seconded by Trustee Czajka to approve the above request. Motion carried unanimously.

### **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Trustee Wilt moved, seconded by Trustee Mengoni to approve the list of bills submitted for this meeting totaling \$561,363.51 and to have the bills paid out of proper funds when such funds become available. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Mengoni, Wilt

NAYS: None. Motion carried

ABSENT: Trustee Demopoulos

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS-** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-** None

**NEW BUSINESS-** None

### **AUDIENCE**

Sister Barbara continues to pray for the board members and complimented the board.

Myra Zak questioned the new commercial occupancy on Cermak Road and DesPlaines Ave.

Trustee Wilt asked Public Works when Cook County would be providing mosquito abatement. Director Kutt informed everyone that it should be happening within the next week or so and a code-red non emergency phone call will go out to all residents to let them know when it will take place.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Bianco moved, seconded by Trustee Decosola for adjournment at 7:18 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

KATHY RANIERI  
VILLAGE CLERK