

**VILLAGE OF NORTH RIVERSIDE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MAY 16, 2022  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS 7:00 PM**

Mayor Mengoni called the meeting to order with a Roll Call. In attendance were Trustee Bianco, Trustee Czajkia, Trustee Demopoulos, Trustee Flores, Trustee Mandel and Trustee Sarro.

Others in attendance were Administrator Scarpiniti, Finance Director Lawler, Attorney O'Grady, Police Chief Erhenberg, Fire Chief McDermott, Recreation Director Mrozik and Public Works Director Ranieri.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Trustee Demopoulos moved and Trustee Bianco seconded to approve the agenda for this meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Demopoulos, Flores, Mandel, Sarro

NAYS: None

Motion carried

**BIDS-** None

**CASH RECEIPT REPORT-** No report

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Czajka moved and Trustee Bianco seconded to approve the Village Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes from the May 2, 2022 meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Demopoulos, Flores, Mandel, Sarro

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Trustees Czajka

Motion carried

**AUDIENCE**

Patricia Gargano inquired about several bushes that are infringing onto many sidewalks in town and asked if the Village could trim them. She has called in the past with no response.

### **AUDIENCE (continued)**

She also asked if there was a need for any new Block Captains on her block. Mayor Mengoni will get in touch with Carol Spale.

### **MAYORAL REPORT**

Mayor Mengoni took a moment to recognize the men and women of the North Riverside Police Department during National Police Week. Our department has lived up to the oath they took on day one to serve and protect the residents of this community and do it willingly and professionally.

There will be a Grand Opening on May 27<sup>th</sup> at Foreman mills located in the upper level of the North Riverside Park Mall. The ceremonies will begin at 8:30am with a ribbon cutting at 8:45am. Please come out and join us for this event.

Due to delays in parts related to their walkout technology systems, Amazon Fresh has pushed back their opening date to sometime mid-June.

Construction is underway at the site of the new Aldi store located along Cermak Road in front of the Amita Health. Anticipated construction time is still yet to be determined.

The cook County Active Transportation Alliance and Civiltech Engineering is looking for feedback from residents as they explore connecting the 2 ½ mile gap of the DesPlaines River Trail between the Forest Park CTA Blue Line Station, the Illinois Prairie Path in Maywood and Salt Creek Trail in North Riverside. Residents are encouraged to take a short survey. Information regarding this survey is available on the board in the front lobby of the Village Commons.

### **REPORT OF TRUSTEES**

#### **Trustee Bianco**

Trustee Bianco made residents aware of the kayak launch on Cermak and DesPlaines and reminded residents to go online to request any block parties during the next few months. The Circus has opened in the North Riverside Mall area and encouraged residents to check out the fabulous entertainment. Trustee Bianco also reminded everyone about the Mayor's Golf Outing that will be held June 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Trustee Czajka**

Trustee Czajka thanked the North Riverside Players for a fabulous performance of Sweeney Todd. Unfortunately, the last weekend was cancelled due to a number of cast members coming down Covid. Trustee Czajka reminded residents about the upcoming Flea Market on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **REPORT OF TRUSTEES (continued)**

### **Trustee Demopoulos**

Trustee Demopoulos echoed the Mayor's words and thanked the North Riverside Police Department for their service.

### **Trustee Flores**

Trustee Flores thanked Chief Erhenberg and all the men and women in the North Riverside Police Department.

### **Trustee Mandel**

Trustee Mandel stated that a resident reached out to her regarding lawn service and asked if there would be any volunteers to maintain senior's lawns. She also thanked the police department.

### **Trustee Sarro**

Trustee Sarro also thanked the North Riverside Players for a fantastic performance. She mentioned that after tonight's meeting there will be a short break and budget meetings will start soon after. This is the first of three planned meetings. Trustee Sarro also thanked the North Riverside Police Department for their service.

**CORRESPONDENCE-** None

## **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Trustee Sarro moved and Trustee Bianco seconded to approve the List of Bills submitted for this meeting totaling of \$213,016.46 and to have them paid out of proper funds when such funds become available. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Demopoulos, Flores, Mandel, Sarro

NAYS: None

Motion carried

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

Trustee Sarro moved and Trustee Bianco seconded to Approve an Ordinance Amending Title 10 of the North Riverside Municipal Code Regarding Vehicle Licensing (**22-O-04**) and to waive the reading. Roll Call Vote:

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (continued)**

On the question, Trustee Czajka asked when this Ordinance would take effect and Administrator Scarpiniti stated it will take place in July.

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Demopoulos, Flores, Sarro,

NAYS: Trustee Mandel

Motion carried

**UNFNISHED BUSINESS**-None

**NEW BUSINESS**- None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Bianco moved and Trustee Demopoulos seconded to adjourn this meeting at 7:15 pm.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

**KATHY RANIERI  
VILLAGE CLERK**