

**VILLAGE OF NORTH RIVERSIDE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING JUNE 20, 2022  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS 7:00 PM**

Mayor Mengoni called the meeting to order with a Roll Call. In attendance were Trustee Bianco, Trustee Czajka, 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 Czajka 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**

Trustee Sarro moved and Trustee Bianco seconded to approve the Cash Receipt Report for the month of May, 2022 totaling \$2,134,366.88. Roll Call Vote:

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

NAYS: None

Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Demopoulos moved and Trustee Bianco seconded to approve the Village Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes from the June 6, 2022 meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote:

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

NAYS: None

Motion carried

**AUDIENCE-**None

## **MAYORAL REPORT**

Mayor Mengoni stated that on Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> North Riverside faced a devastating storm carrying with it straight-line winds of tornadic strength. These winds caused village wide power outages and tree damage to many properties, homes and vehicles. Since that evening, I have been working with County, State and Federal officials in effort to obtain financial resources for the Village as we see a mounting unbudgeted expense. I have convened a group of other local Mayor's, all from village's devastated by these events, to a face to face meeting with County and State emergency management personnel in my efforts for relief and assistance. I understand that as part of any aid package we need to declare a State of Emergency for North Riverside for the time=period beginning Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> through Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> and ask that the board consider its approval at the July board meeting.

I have also worked with the Village Administrator and building department staff to waive any storm related permit fees for the time being.

We had a great turnout for this year's annual Mayor's Golf Outing for the Youth Scholarship fund held on the morning of June 13<sup>th</sup>. Roughly 134 golfers participated in the event raising an estimated \$30,000, which will be distributed to all 40 individuals who filled out applications.

## **REPORT OF TRUSTEES**

### **Trustee Bianco**

Trustee Bianco thanked Comed, the police department, fire department and public works for their efforts during the past storm.

### **Trustee Czajka**

Trustee Czajka thanked the all the departments during the past storm and read the following Request for Board Action:

The North Riverside Fire Department operates 2 ambulances, Units 804 & 805. At the September 7, 2021 Village Board Meeting, the Board approved the replacement of Unit 805, a 2001 Navistar Ambulance, with a new ambulance. The new ambulance arrived on June 14, 2022 and we are hoping to have it in service by July 1, 2022.

Our front-line ambulance, Unit 804, is a 2009 Ford F450 with over 71,000 miles. It is scheduled for replacement in 2024. Ambulances are typically replaced every 5-7 years and ambulance 804 is already 6 years past this replacement schedule as it is 13 years old. We met with our Sales Rep from Fire Services Inc. who told us we can buy an identical ambulance to the one we just

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

received and lock in today's pricing if we sign a sales contract by June 20, 2022. The cost of the ambulance is \$242,281. The manufacturer of the ambulance will freeze this price until June 21, 2022. On June 23, the price will increase approximately \$9,500 or 7%.

Due to supply chain issues, the time to build this ambulance is between 18-24 months. By authorizing the purchase now, the Village will save approximately \$46,000 and guarantee its delivery within the time frame of when this ambulance is scheduled to be replaced. No payment is due until ambulance is received. The Village may waive competitive bidding on this purchase as the pricing for this ambulance is available through a Cooperative Purchasing Program such as SAVIK or HGAC Buy, thereby, satisfying all the Village's purchasing guidelines.

Trustee Czajka moved and Trustee Bianco Demopoulos seconded to accept the contract from Fire Services Inc for the purchase of a 2023 or most current year Ford E450 Type 3 Wheeled Coach ambulance for \$242,281. Roll Call Vote:

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

NAYS: None

Motion carried

### **Trustee Demopoulos**

Trustee Demopoulos thanked all the departments and reminded residents that Amazon Fresh has opened and please check out the store.

### **Trustee Flores**

Trustee Flores thanked the Public Works Department and Comed for getting service restored quickly.

### **Trustee Mandel**

Trustee Mandel thanked all the neighbors for coming together to help out their neighbors during the past storm and to reach out to local food pantry's to recover loss of food.

### **Trustee Sarro**

Trustee Sarro also thanked all the departments for the efforts during the past storm and also thanked the Mayor for quickly reaching out for help from surrounding officials.

**CORRESPONDENCE-** None

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Trustee Sarro moved and Trustee Bianco seconded to approve the List of Bills submitted for this meeting totaling of \$900,245.11 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-** None

**UNFNISHED BUSINESS-**None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Administrator Scarpiniti reminded all that the vehicle sticker program information is currently available on the Village's website.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Bianco moved and Trustee Demopoulos seconded to adjourn this meeting at 7:20 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

**KATHY RANIERI  
VILLAGE CLERK**

