

May 10, 2011

Village of Rapids City

Rock Island County, Illinois

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

All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present – Corson, Eggers, Hemm, Bird, Dopler, and Lack.

Absent –

Also Present - Clerk Price, Attorney Fuller, Paul Loete (MSA), Ryan Bump, Harold French, Louis Shelangouski, Don Carey, PBFD/Rapids City Fire Protection District, Tammy Knapp, Kathy Overton, Dennis Hanks, Officer Wiley.

A quorum was established.

PRESIDENT RANKIN: Don Carey presented a monthly report from the fire dept. He said he will continue presenting a monthly report and is here to improve communications with the city. The board thanked him for coming and for their help. The new census is 959. Exelon is in an outage for approximately 30 days so beware of traffic. Ryan Bump completed the wastewater treatment class at Black Hawk College. Emilie received her certification from the Attorney General for The Freedom of Information and Open Meetings Act.

CONSENT “Omnibus” Agenda: Dopler motioned/Lack seconded to approve 4/11 Regular Minutes with the correction of \$8510 for road resolution, 5/11 Monthly Bills, 4/11 Treasurers Report, 4/14/11 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

POLICE REPORT - Chief Fuller: No report.

ATTORNEY - Fuller: None.

BUILDING & ZONING – Hemm: 5 permits.

CEMETERY – Eggers: The city is considering cleaning up the old cemetery.

ELECTIONS – Rankin: No report.

FINANCE - Corson: The board held a Committee of the Whole Meeting April 14 to discuss the Appropriation/Operating Budget. Corson motioned to approve the May 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012 Appropriation Ordinance/Eggers seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Corson motioned to approve the May 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012 Operating Budget as presented. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Dopler motioned to approve sponsoring a softball team in the amount of \$125 to RCYC/Lack seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Eggers motioned to approve paying Kent Klauer CPA to perform the audit in the amount of \$8200/Dopler seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

ORDINANCE & LICENSES – Eggers: Eggers talked to Harold about the number of out buildings on a lot. Harold said it is no more than 50% in Port Byron in the rear yard or side yard. LeClaire does not allow anymore than two out buildings. She will do some more homework on this matter.

PARKS & RECREATION – Dopler: Bump will get wood chips for the playground soon.

PERSONNEL – Corson: A committee meeting was held at 6 p.m. tonight and the board discussed wages and bonuses. Bird motioned to give a 3% cost of living increase to all employees and 2% bonus to each employee based on last year's wages/Hemm seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

PLANNING – Bird: Paul Loete with MSA presented a report on how to fix the drainage problem on 15th. Before the city starts any work, Price will send a letter to the residents involved. The city needs to get some proposals on the work. The city needs to see what the cost is from outside vendors versus public works doing some of the work. The board was in agreement to use MFT funds for the work if possible.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Bird: Shelangouski would like to see a “children playing” sign put up along 15th Street.

PUBLIC WORKS – Hemm: No report.

SEWER – Lack: The sewer numbers were down this month. Ryan reported the pumps ran 1 ½ hours but were up to 3 hours run time for about a week.

WASTE MANAGEMENT – Dopler: June 18 is the city clean up day at 10am. MidAmerican has already donated bags and gloves. Bird motioned that if Allied will not donate a sign for us; the city can purchase a sign, not to exceed \$200/Eggers seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries. Bird stated that he thought the new garbage cans have turned out to be an excellent choice for the city. Price will talk to Allied about a PDF of this year's calendar for recycling. MB will put it on the website for residents to copy. Dopler will check with RICWMA about an e-waste date. In the meantime residents may drop any e-waste off at her home and she will dispose of it.

WATER – Schneider: Bump will come back with hydrant bids soon.

ORDERS, RESOLUTIONS AND/OR ORDINANCES BY THE TRUSTEES: None.

OLD BUSINESS: The light pole has been taken down. K. Fuller and Rankin met with Snodgrass and he is going to have a yard sale soon. Whatever is left he will take to the auction house, then the rest will be scrapped. It will be cleaned up by the end of summer.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: Tammy Knapp and Karen Overton requested permission to use the area by the gazebo as a turn-about for the tug run on Aug 13th. Barricades would need to be put up on 11th Ave. from 84 for approximately 1 1/2 hours. The boat dock will not have to be closed. The board thought this would be alright. Bump will bring the tractor bid for the next meeting.

CLOSED SESSION: None.

With nothing further to be discussed Dopler motioned to adjourn/Lack seconded. All concurred. President Rankin adjourned this May 10, 2011-regular meeting at 8:12 p.m.

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VILLAGE CLERK