

April 12, 2011

Village of Rapids City

Rock Island County, Illinois

This Regular Board meeting was called to order by President Rankin at 7:03 p.m.

All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

At this time Jeff Corson and Brenda Lack were sworn in.

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

Absent – Bird.

Also Present - Clerk Price, Attorney Fuller, Steve Haring and Sarah Elliott (MSA), Ryan Bump, Chief Fuller, Harold French, Russell Kinkade, Mike Housenga, Louis Shelangouski.

A quorum was established.

PRESIDENT RANKIN: Rankin reported the village received thank you notes from River Valley Library Summer Reading and Project Graduation for our donation. Rankin attended the Northwest Municipal Assn. breakfast. He was part of a letter that was drafted and sent to Springfield opposing the state taking money from municipalities. This could take approximately \$5600 from our general fund. We received a letter from the EPA certifying Ryan as our operator. Chief Fuller looked into signage and found the cost to be \$4700. We will keep this on file. Rankin reminded trustees the Committee of the Whole meeting is April 14 at 6p.m. The IEPA requires radium testing every 3 years. We received notice of construction on I-80 Bridge lasting until mid May. The city may contest the census count. MidAmerican will be trimming trees in the area. Residents will be notified 21 days before work begins. We received our levy confirmation from Rock Island County, leveling \$128,117.37, last year we received \$111,056.07.

CONSENT “Omnibus” Agenda: Corson motioned/Dopler seconded to approve the 3/11 Regular Minutes, 4/11 Monthly Bills, 3/11 Treasurers Report. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

POLICE REPORT - Chief Fuller: No report.

ATTORNEY - Fuller: The board decided Snodgrass must follow ordinance. Corson motioned Snodgrass must have a 50% reduction by Monday, April 8 or Chief Fuller will ticket him in the amount of \$150/Dopler seconded. Corson, Eggers, Hemm, Dopler all voted yes. Lack abstained. Motion carries. Chief Fuller will contact Snodgrass this week so he is aware if he doesn't get this taken care of, he will be fined. If he doesn't pay, the city may refer it to the court.

BUILDING & ZONING – Hemm: 3 permits. Mike Housenga wants to put a portable garage on his property at 415-15th Street to cover his camper. Eggers opposes because it is in direct violation of ordinance. Housenga was advised he may take this to planning and zoning to try to get a variance. Hemm and Miller got signatures from neighbors that they are in agreement that the light may be removed between the properties of 1506-9th Ave. and 904-16th street. Price will contact MidAmerican to let them know the village board approves of this.

CEMETERY – Eggers: No report.

ELECTIONS – Rankin: No report.

FINANCE - Corson: Corson motioned to approve the resolution to appropriate \$85010.00, or so much that may be necessary, from money allotted to the Village, to pay its share of the cost of this improvement as provided by the agreement with the state of Illinois for improvement to IL Rt. 84 in Rapids City/Eggers seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carries.

ORDINANCE & LICENSES – Eggers: Eggers wants to talk to Harold about the number of out buildings on a lot. Harold said it is no more that 50% in Port Byron in the rear yard or side yard.

PARKS & RECREATION – Dopler: The Easter Egg Hunt is at 10a.m., April 16 at the Rapids City Community Center.

PERSONNEL – Corson: Joel Price will return as summer help in the amount of \$10 an hour.

PLANNING – Bird: MSA gave a presentation on planning services they offer. The next planning meeting is April 21 at 7 p.m. Eggers thought the last meeting was productive.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Bird: No report.

PUBLIC WORKS – Hemm: Price will contact Paul Loete to see where he is at with the drainage scope of work.

SEWER – Schneider: The sewer bill was over 17k this month, but Ryan said the numbers are coming down. Ryan will do smoke testing when he can.

WASTE MANAGEMENT – Dopler: No report.

WATER – Schneider: No report.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: The Great River Trail maps were put on hold. Eggers will contact Joe Taylor and inquire into this.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: There is nothing on the plans to resurface roads this year.

CLOSED SESSION: None.

With nothing further to be discussed Eggers motioned to adjourn/Hemm seconded. All concurred. President Rankin adjourned this April 12, 2011-regular meeting at 8:37 p.m.

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VILLAGE CLERK