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## **Meeting Agenda-Wednesday, November 6, 2013**

**Opening Prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag**

**Roll Call**

**Minutes of previous meeting**

**Report of Treasurer**

**Clerk's Reports**

**Gabriel Morales 2565 N 32<sup>nd</sup> Street (Tienda El Ranchito Grocery & Restaurant)  
Addition to Existing Structure.**

**Review of Closed Session Minutes**

**Police Chief Report**

**Report of Zoning Administrator**

**Report of Fire Chief**

**Report of Street Superintendent**

**Committee Reports**

**Mayor's Report**

**Public Comment**

**Bills**

**Adjournment**

**Richard D. Ramirez, Clerk**

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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD  
OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT CITY HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2013  
4001 COOKSON ROAD  
FAIRMONT CITY, ILLINOIS  
AT 7:00 P.M.**

President Alex Bregen called the Meeting to order followed by the opening prayer and pledge of allegiance.

Clerk Richard D. Ramirez recorded the attendance. The following were in attendance:

Trustees: Suarez, Hernandez, Romo, Maliszewski, and Arriola. Trustee Fiudo was absent. Also in attendance were Abraham Aleman, Treasurer, Police Chief Scott Penny, Robert Allen, Fire Chief and Street Superintendent, Joe "Pepe" Manso.

A motion to approve the Minutes of the previous Meeting of October 2, 2013 was made by Maliszewski and seconded by Arriola. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed)

**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer presented a number of items to the Village Board of Trustees. A copy of new legislation from the state of Illinois regarding public safety was shared with the board.

A copy of a letter introducing residents to the new sewer billing program was given to the board by the treasurer. He is hoping to have the bill out in December. A representative of the State Comptroller's Office had been working in the field sharing some new programs. He told us the Village will be able to put a lien on state tax returns for non-payment of the sewer bill at no cost.

Turning off the water through Illinois American Water Company is another option but no further communications have applied.

The Illinois Municipal League Annual Insurance Contribution was presented. The bill was paid in full in order to save \$3,500. Mr. Aleman made an inquiry regarding a substantial increase. The league informed him that claims from the hail storm totaled

over \$225,000 and contribute to the increase. Mr. Aleman was able to get the firefighters covered by workman's compensation.

A copy of fireman's payroll roll was also presented. The checks will be out on Friday, November 8, 2013.

Mr. Aleman informed the board that IMRF field represented, Jean Parsons, has retired. He has not had any interaction with the city's new representative but her name is Christine Fine.

Mr. Aleman and Scott Penny met with representatives from the Bank of Edwardsville. Mostly they were interested in the demographics of the community. The representative, Molly Watkins, was familiar with the community from her childhood. She has other ties to the community and is looking forward to working here.

A draft of the Village Tax Levy was also given to the board for review.

### **Clerk's Report**

The clerk presented a Building permit for 2565 N 32<sup>nd</sup> Street for an Addition to the Existing Structure, Tienda El Ranchito Grocery & Restaurant, presented by Gabriel Morales.

With all details in order, the motion was made by Arriola and seconded by Suarez to approve the Building permit for 2565 N 32<sup>nd</sup> Street for an Addition to the Existing Structure, Tienda El Ranchito Grocery & Restaurant, presented by Gabriel Morales. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed)

The clerk then asked for a Review of Closed Session minutes and requested a Closed Session later in the meeting.

### **Report of Police Chief**

Chief Penny reported that the incident reported in the newspaper regarding a local juvenile resident has been forwarded to the state's attorney's office.

Regarding an item of old business the chief reported that he and the Fire Chief have reached an agreement with TEK Recycling, Inc. regarding conditioning the property located at 2975 Kingshighway. The chief pointed out that this business has employment opportunities for the village. He and Fire Chief Allen recommend the approval of the business license.

The motion was made by Arriola and seconded by Hernandez to approve the Business License Application for TEK Recycling, Inc. , located at 2975 Kingshighway. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed)

Chief Penny described a new lie detector system that has become available through the Illinois Police Training Board. The system is called a Voice Stress Analyzer. The system allows lie detection on the phone.

The Illinois Police Training Board is sponsoring training on the system at SIU-Carbondale for five days. The chief would like send two people to the school. The tuition is \$1,500 and includes the software. The software is worth \$9,900.

The motion was made by Maliszewski and seconded by Suarez to approve tuition expense, room and board at SIU-Carbondale for a five day training class sponsored by the Illinois Police Training Board, not to exceed \$5,000. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed)

The chief reported to the board that the building inspector had occasion to inspect a certain property on 45<sup>th</sup> street. The inspector found numerous code violations and 4 people living there. The inspector had the people pack up and leave immediately. The chief explained that the electric violations were similar to what caused the last couple of residential fires the village had. The chief wanted the board to be aware of the situation should anyone be approached by the owner.

#### **Report of Zoning Administrator** - No Report

#### **Report of Fire Chief**

Fire Chief Allen reported the toy drive has started. Local businesses have been very generous and the drive has collected over \$3,000. The goal is \$12,000. November 16<sup>th</sup> the department is planning a boot drive in State Park, November 28<sup>th</sup> is shopping day, wrapping up comes next and December 7 & 8 are for distribution. The fire chief asked the board to fund some refreshments for his volunteers.

The motion was made by Suarez and seconded by Romo to approve the expense of providing refreshments to the 2013 Fire Fighter Toy Drive Volunteers not to exceed \$1,000. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed)

Chief Allen reported the University of Illinois Arial Operations class hosted by the department last weekend was a success. The upcoming weekend is the class the

department has been anticipating with enthusiasm for a year. The Wild Land Class, will be held on the upcoming weekend, November 7,8 and 9 . The class normally cost \$5,000 to execute and the department is getting it for free with the help of Matt Magilla, Forest Ranger at Monks Mound. Matt has provided ten acres for the burn. Eighteen out of twenty-one of the village fire fighters will be participating. The chief asked if the board would approve the cost of refreshment for those in attendance.

The motion to approve expenditures for refreshment for those in attendance at The Wild Land Class, not to exceed \$1,500 was made by Suarez and seconded by Arriola. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed)

The Chief reported the new fire truck is still at Banner for it's final mounts. It should be in service next week.

#### **Report of Street Superintendent** - No Report

#### **Committee Reports**

##### Police/Public Safety-Chair-Arriola

Mr. Arriola reported the police department is running smoothly.

##### Public Health & Housing – Chair – Romo – No Report

##### Community Relations & Communications – Chair – Hernandez - No Report

##### Fire Protection – Chair – Maliszewski – No Report

##### Economic/Finance, Development, Planning, and Tourism – Chair – Fiudo - No Report

##### Streets, Sewers, Grounds, Building & Parks – Chair – Suarez - No Report

#### **President's Report**

President Bregen reported that Scott Penny and Abe Aleman had met with Joe Durako of Milam Landfill. The Fairmont City hill will have limited operations through 2014. The village will be receiving 40% to 50% percent less income from the landfill.

The new bridge will be opening in 2014. It is hoped this may help in developing the Stockyards area.

Mr. Bregen would like the finance committee to meet between Thanksgiving and Christmas to go through the budget to make possible adjustments the first of the year.

**Public Comment** - No Public Comment

**Municipal Bills**

A motion that the bills be accepted as presented and authorized for payment was made by Romo and seconded by Hernandez. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed)

The motion was made by Maliszewski and seconded by Arriola to enter into executive session regarding Review of Closed Session Minutes and personnel. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed) 7:27pm

The motion was made by Arriola and seconded by Romo to re-enter the regular meeting from a closed session. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed) 7:33pm

The motion was made by Hernandez and seconded by Romo to retain the Closed Session Minutes presented for review from public information. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed)

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Maliszewski and seconded by Hernandez. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez pass; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; and Arriola, yes,. Trustee Fiudo was absent.  
(Motion Passed)

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted  
Richard D. Ramirez  
November 6, 2013

