

ALEX J. BREGEN
VILLAGE PRESIDENT

RICHARD D. RAMIREZ
VILLAGE CLERK

Meeting Agenda- September 2, 2015

Opening Prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag

Roll Call

Minutes of previous meeting

Report of Treasurer

Clerk's Reports

**Building Permit Application 3619 Collinsville Road, upgrade to cell tower, AT&T
Mobility c/o Network Real Estate, Crown Castle, Owner.**

Police Chief Report

Report of Zoning Administrator

Report of Fire Chief

Report of Street Superintendent

Committee Reports

Mayor's Report

Public Comment

Closed Executive Session

Review of Closed Executive Session Minutes

Bills

Adjournment

Richard D. Ramirez, Clerk

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF
TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT CITY HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2015
4001 COOKSON ROAD
FAIRMONT CITY, ILLINOIS
AT 7:00 P.M.**

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

Clerk Ramirez recorded the attendance. The following were in attendance:
Trustees: David Suarez, Hernandez, Munoz, Michael Suarez, Fiudo and Arriola.
Also in attendance were Treasurer Abe Aleman, Fire Chief Robert Allen and Public Works Director Roger Juenger.

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting of August 5, 2015, was made by Michael Suarez and seconded by Arriola. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.
(Motion Passed)

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Aleman reported the bank statements have yet to be received for the month of September, 2015.

The treasurer reported a brief meeting with representatives of the Fraternal Order of Police (F.O.P.) Loge 106 of Fairmont City. The F.O.P. would like to open contract negotiations as soon as possible. The current contract expires April 30, 2016.

Treasurer Aleman also reported there are delinquent sewer bills in the system unpaid from the beginning of the new billing 2014).

He intends to send a letter of delinquency with penalty requirements. There was some discussion regarding content of the letter. There was also some discussion regarding various penalty options including lien notice and state income tax withholding.

The treasure also informed the board the sewer fund has been paying for the recent repairs to the pumps.

President Bregen asked for a copy of the letter to review the letter before it is sent. A copy will be sent to Michael Suarez (Sewers) and Michael Suarez (Finance) for review, also.

Mr. Aleman reported state income tax, including sales tax, continues to be deposited in the Illinois Fund Bank account. Motor Fuel tax funds are not coming in.

Clerk's Report

Clerk Ramirez presented a Building Permit Application for 3619 Collinsville Road, an upgrade to a cell tower, AT&T Mobility c/o Network Real Estate, Crown Castle, and Owner.

The motion was made by Fiudo and seconded by David Suarez to approve the Building Permit Application for 3619 Collinsville Road, an upgrade to a cell tower, AT&T Mobility c/o Network Real Estate, Crown Castle, and Owner.

Report of Police Chief - Absent, No Report

Report of Zoning Administrator - No Report

Report of Fire Chief

Fire Chief Allen reported the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) drive collected \$5,773.67. He reported the Kick Ball Tournament Event raised \$4,226.00 of that total. He described the event as a huge success and thanks those present for their support. The check will be presented Labor Day weekend to MDA.

Chief Allen reported the St. Clair/Monroe County Fire Chief's Association will be hosting the Annual Vendors Showcase at our Community Center on September 24, 2015, at 5pm. The chief has 30 tables of vendors paid for and invited those present to come by and check out the merchandize.

The Fire Chief's Association will meet at 8pm and include a dinner. Jay Hoffman is a guest speaker. The dinner is paid for by the vendors and El Ranchito, of Fairmont City, will be catering the event. The chief asked if the village might cover the cost of drinks for the dinner.

The motion was made by David Suarez and seconded by Hernandez to approve the cost of beverages for the Fire Chief's Association Meeting on September 24, 2015, not to exceed \$500.00. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, pass; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.
(Motion Passed)

There was also discussion regarding using the event for a charitable fund raising raffle, or other game. The fire chief said he would look into the possibility and report at a future meeting.

Chief Allen reported he would like to apply for a grant from Illinois American Water Company. The grant is for \$1,000.00 and the department has been awarded it for a number of years. This year's grant theme is "water handling". The fire chief would like to use the award, if granted, to purchase an intake valve. The intake valve would

cost \$1,397.00. Chief Allen asked the board to approve the additional cost if awarded the Illinois American Water \$1,000.00 grant.

The motion was made by Munoz and seconded by Arriola to approve the balance of the cost of a new intake valve, in addition to a pending grant from Illinois American Water, in the amount of \$1,000.00, not to exceed \$500.00. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, pass; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.

(Motion Passed)

Report of the Public Works Director

Public Works Director Juenger asked the board to approve the expense of a new air release valve for the Maryland Avenue lift station estimated at \$1,300.00.

The motion was made by Michael Suarez and seconded by Fiudo to approve the expense of a new air release valve for the Maryland Avenue lift station not to exceed \$1,500.00. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.

(Motion Passed)

Committee Reports

Police/Public Safety-Chair-Hernandez – No Report

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

Streets, Sewers, Grounds, Building & Parks – Chair – Michael Suarez

Michael Suarez reported it looks like a date can be set for a city wide clean up day for October 10, 2015. President Bregen asked Mr. Suarez to call a meeting of village participants to work out the details. The president sees the event as an opportunity for area residents to meet the new Public Works Director and familiarize themselves with the street department workers.

Mr. Suarez agreed to have a meeting and some details before the next meeting.

Public Health & Housing – Chair- Munoz – No Report

Community Relations & Communications – Chair – Arriola – No Report

Fire Protection – Chair – David Suarez – No Report

President's Report

The President had some questions regarding the status of the street department and Thouvenot Wade & Moerchen after the last meeting. Follow up will continue with Mr. Juenger and Michael Suarez.

President Bregen reported he and Administrator Penny have a meeting set up with Collinsville Unit 10 School District regarding possible detachment of some of the Stockyard area.

Public Comment

A representative of TEK Recycling was present at the meeting to update the board regarding the cleanup of the business. He reported 90% of the area along Maryland Avenue has been address and will be 100% by Friday. The representative reported the company has committed to the clean up by 30 days and will be self funded. He is hoping to be reimbursed by the insurance company's but has taken full responsibility. President Bregen welcomed him to the next meeting for reporting.

A local resident inquired regarding the new gravel road going into the new lake area. Mr. Juenger suggested the resident go after hours. Mr. Juenger volunteered to escort the resident into the property. The president informed the resident the property has not been signed over to the village to date.

Municipal Bills

A motion that the bills are accepted as presented and authorized for payment was made Munoz and seconded by Arriola. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.
(Motion Passed)

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Fiudo and seconded by David Suarez. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.
(Motion Passed)

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Richard D. Ramirez
Village Clerk
September 2, 2015