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Meeting Agenda- April 1, 2015

Opening Prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag

Roll Call

Minutes of previous meeting

Report of Treasurer

Clerk's Reports

Liquor License Application, La Tiendita Mexican Grocery Store, 5100 Collinsville Road, Building A, Fairmont City, Illinois, Juan and Josie Del Rio owners.

Police Chief Report

Report of Zoning Administrator

Report of Fire Chief

Report of Street Superintendent

Committee Reports

Mayor's Report

Public Comment

Bills

Closed Session

Review Closed Session Minutes

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, April 1, 2015
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 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, Police Chief Scott Penny, Fire Chief Robert Allen and Street Superintendant Joe, "Pepe", Manso.

A motion to approve the Minutes of the previous Meeting of March 18, 2015 was made by Fiudo and seconded by Michael Suarez. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, pass.
(Motion Passed)

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Aleman shared copies of some articles from the Illinois Municipal League. One of the articles reflected changes in OSHA reporting for workplace injury the village will be expected to make.

The treasurer also presented letters from each board member to send to Illinois legislators protesting the governors attempt to cut state income tax by 50% to local government. If the law goes into affect the village could lose approximately \$130,000.00 in annual income.

Clerk's Report

The clerk presented a Business License application from Promotion Lechero, 5401 Collinsville Road, owner, Leobardo Huaroco.

The license is for a one time rodeo on the parking lot of Foodland. With everything in order the motion was made by David Suarez and seconded by Munoz to approve the Business License application from Promotion Lechero, 5401 Collinsville Road, owner, Leobardo Huaroco. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.
(Motion Passed)

The clerk then read and presented a resignation letter from Mary Felty. Mrs. Felty informed the board she is having health problems and hopes a replacement can be found before, Friday, May 29, 2015, her last day.

The motion was made by Hernandez and seconded by Fiudo to accept the resignation of Mary Felty as of Friday, May 29, 2015. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.
(Motion Passed)

Report of Police Chief

Chief Penny reminded those present the F.O.P. Post 106 will be having a fish fry on Friday, April 3, 2015 from 11am through 7pm. He invited everyone to stop by and stay for awhile. The police department welcomes the opportunity to visit with our village officials.

At this time Trustee David Suarez asked Chief Penny what else can be done regarding the local business that has been given a number of extensions regarding required fencing. The chief reported he had taken complaint from another resident that very day regarding the property.

Chief Penny will check with the village attorney regarding shutting the business down. In the mean time the chief will send a letter regarding suspension of the business license which expires April 30, 2015.

The motion was made by Michael Suarez and seconded by David Suarez to issue a letter denying renewal of the business license for the business located at Maryland and Highway 111 until the fencing is complete and the trash along the roads is eliminated, which expires on April 30, 2015. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.
(Motion Passed)

Report of Zoning Administrator - No Report

Report of Fire Chief

Chief Allen presented a resignation letter from Robert Hargis. Mr. Hargis also has some health problems that are keeping him from doing his work as a fire fighter. Chief Allen expressed his appreciation of the 25 years of service Mr. Hargis has volunteered and asked the board to accept the resignation.

The motion was made by Arriola and seconded by Michael Suarez to accept the resignation of Robert Hargis, a veteran volunteer fire fighter. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.

(Motion Passed)

Fire Chief Allen reported he is still working the last grant received in the amount of \$50,000.00. To date there has been \$38,000.00 in equipment added to the village fire department.

The fire chief reported that the annual Fire Department Instructor's Conference in Indiana the end of April. The chief will not be able to attend this year and would like to send 2 firefighters and retired Chief Bob Belba.

The motion was made by David Suarez and seconded by Munoz to approve the expense of sending 3 fire department members to the Annual Conference of Fire Instructors no to exceed \$1,500. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, pass; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.

(Motion Passed)

Report of Street Superintendent

The superintendent informed the board he got an estimate for repair of the trash truck in terms of \$5,000.00 to \$6,000.00 to be completed in 7 to 10 days.

The motion was made by Hernandez and seconded by Arriola to approve an engine overhaul on the village trash truck not to exceed \$6,000.00. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.

(Motion Passed)

Mr. Manso explained to the board that the Iron Workers training school begins this month. The Iron Workers have agreed to have the trainees erect the back stop and fencing for the Granby project at no cost. The estimates the superintendent has received for the material are \$3,000.00 to \$4,500.00. The next training session will be in September. He asked the board for consideration regarding the timing to ensure the free labor.

After some discussion the motion was made by Michael Suarez and seconded by Hernandez to approve the expense of a new back stop at the Granby Park to be erected by Iron Worker trainees at no cost. 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-Arriola

Mr. Arriola reported meeting with the Police Chief and the police department is running smoothly.

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

Fire Protection – Chair – David Suarez

David Suarez wanted to acknowledge the police and fire departments for their contributions to the library Easter Egg Hunt the previous Saturday, March 28, 2015. The event ran smoothly and was a pleasure for all who participated, including the Latino Round Table.

Public Health & Housing – Chair- Munoz

Trustee Munoz reported Ms. Dana Rogers will be starting the dance class in the P.A.L. Gym on April 16, 2105. Mr. Munoz and Mr. Suarez have been working together on the process of getting the children interested enrolled. Much of the detail regarding the classes depends on the interest. The president suggested including an age range on the advertisement.

Community Relations & Communications – Chair – Hernandez – No Report

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

President's Report

President Bregen discussed the continued legal work in progress trying to stop the governor's new financial cuts.

The president reported on the Public Hearing meeting held by the Intergovernmental Grants Department (IGD) March 26, 2015. Ms. Diana Little was there to answer questions and explain some of the processes. These monies are for both private and governmental uses. These funds are subject to the same state cuts as the village. President Bregen thanked those that were able to make it to the meeting.

Public Comment No Public Comment

Municipal Bills

A motion that the bills are accepted as presented and authorized for payment was made by Fiudo seconded by Hernandez. 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 Munoz and seconded by Arriola. 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
April 1, 2015