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**FAIRMONT CITY, ILLINOIS**

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## **Meeting Agenda- January 21, 2015**

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

**Roll Call**

**Minutes of previous meeting**

**Report of Treasurer**

**Clerk's Reports**

**Building Permit, 3621 Collinsville Road, Verizon Wireless, Crown Castle,  
represented by James Cardinal, Cell Tower Modification.**

**Police Chief Report**

**Report of Zoning Administrator**

**Report of Fire Chief**

**Appointment of Daniel Rafalowski as Assistant Fire Chief**

**Report of Street Superintendent**

**Committee Reports**

**Mayor's Report**

**Public Comment**

**Bills**

**Closed Session**

**Personnel**

**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, JANUARY 21, 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 Fire Department Captain Daniel Rafalowski

A motion to approve the Minutes of the previous Meeting of January 7, 2015 was made by Michael Suarez and seconded by Munoz. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; pass; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, pass; Arriola, yes.  
(Motion Passed)

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Aleman presented the financial reports for December, 2014. al fund (Regions Bank) to cover expenses. A decline is reflective of the lack of landfill revenue. The treasurer reported a couple unexpected bills have had been paid.

Mr. Aleman reported a meeting was held with representatives of the Illinois Municipal League in regard to workman's compensation. The meeting enlightened those present on protecting ourselves against municipal liabilities. Ongoing meetings, education and methods will be the focus of the new group that will be meeting again on April 15, 2015.

Treasurer Aleman also reported that changes have been made to the 1099 laws. Any payments over \$600.00 to a company or individual require a Federal Identification Number or an automatic deduction of 28% in taxable payment. The law and will require more research. The treasurer emphasized the need to take Internal Revenue law very seriously.

Treasurer Aleman presented a photograph of a possible design for a sign dedicating Granby Park to John Wyrostek. There was some discussion regarding how the sign should read. The treasurer suggested placing the sign off 43<sup>rd</sup> Street where the

Veterans Memorial previously stood. A flag pole and sidewalk already exists in that location. Mr. Aleman also suggested the repair of another sign located on the existing building which lists the park board members who built it.

#### Clerk's Report

Clerk Ramirez presented a Building Permit Application for 3621 Collinsville Road, Verizon Wireless, Crown Castle, represented by James Cardinal, a Cell Tower Modification.

The motion was made by David Suarez and seconded by Hernandez to approve the Building Permit Application for 3621 Collinsville Road, Verizon Wireless, Crown Castle, represented by James Cardinal, a Cell Tower Modification. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, yes; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.  
(Motion Passed)

Report of Police Chief - No Report

Report of Zoning Administrator - No Report

#### Report of Fire Chief

Chief Allen reported that Captain Daniel Rafalowski has successfully completed his education as a firefighter. The fire Chief asked the board members to approve the promotion of Captain Rafalowski to Assistant Fire Chief Daniel Rafalowski.

The motion was made by Arriola and seconded by David Suarez to approve the promotion of Captain Rafalowski to Assistant Fire Chief Daniel Rafalowski. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, pass; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.  
(Motion Passed)

Chief Allen reported to the board that the Fireman's Association will be reinstating an annual Retired Firefighter Appreciation Dinner. It has been many years since the association has sponsored the event and has scheduled it for February 28, 2015 in the community center. The event is host to Fairmont City retired and current firefighters along with retired and current firefighters of the departments mutual aid group.

Assistant Chief Daniel Rafalowski asked the board to sponsor an appreciation gift for the retired firefighters. He would like to give them a personalized coffee cup and has list of 30 recipients. Fire Chief Allen would like to give a token of appreciation to the mutual aid departments, possibly a plaque.

The motion to approve the expense of appreciation gifts for retired firefighters and mutual aid fire departments, not to exceed \$2,500.00, was made by Hernandez and seconded by Fiudo. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez; yes; Hernandez, yes; Munoz, yes; Michael Suarez, pass; Fiudo, yes; Arriola, yes.  
(Motion Passed)

#### Report of Street Superintendent

Superintendent Manso reported that work is in progress on the Granby Project bathroom update. Bids are scheduled to be open on February 12, 2015 for the remaining ground work, including the walking trail.

#### Committee Reports

Police/Public Safety-Chair-Arriola

Mr. Arriola reported the police department is running smoothly according to Chief Penny.

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

Fire Protection – Chair – David Suarez – No Report

Public Health & Housing - No Report

Community Relations & Communications – Chair – Hernandez – No Report

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

Raul Munoz - No Report

#### President's Report

President Bregen distributed a suggested update for board chairs and committees. He would like to approve the changes at the next meeting.

#### Public Comment

A representative of a local business was present at the meeting. The village has received a number of complaints regarding the unsightly conditions of the premise. Construction of a fence started months ago and has yet to be finished. The company's

representative committed to having the fence complete and enclosed by the end of February, 2015.

#### Municipal Bills

A motion that the bills are accepted as presented and authorized for payment was made by Michael Suarez and seconded by Munoz. 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 David Suarez and seconded by Michael 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  
January 21, 2014