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Meeting Agenda-Wednesday, December 04, 2013

Opening Prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag

Roll Call

Minutes of previous meeting

Report of Treasurer

Clerk's Reports

East Side Health District, Joshua Still, requesting use of the Community Center,
regarding the Affordable Care Act.

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

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD
OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT CITY HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 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, Fiudo and Arriola. Also in attendance were Abraham Aleman, Treasurer, Police Chief Scott Penny, Robert Allen, Fire Chief and Street Superintendant, Joe "Pepe" Manso.

A motion to approve the Minutes of the previous Meeting of November 20th, 2013 was made by Arriola and seconded by Suarez. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez yes; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; Fiudo, pass; and Arriola, yes,.
(Motion Passed)

Treasurer's Report - No Report

Clerk's Report

Clerk Ramirez introduced Joshua Still of East Side Health District attending the meeting to request use of the Community Center regarding the Affordable Care Act. Mr. Still informed the board that the "open enrollment act" associated with new laws referencing "Obama Care" started on October 1, 2013. The group is available for education and to enroll area residents in the Affordable Care Act. They would like to use the building on Wednesday and Thursday. The open enrollment has been extended and the deadline is some time in the middle of May in 2014. The group plans to advertise in the newspapers and radio. Information notices have been posted in the city annex.

There was some discussion regarding other city uses of the building the group would have to conform with. The Community Center is available in time of death should a resident wish to use it. Chief Penny said the conference room at ground level of the city hall could be made available in such a circumstance.

The motion was made by Arriola and seconded by Romo to make the Community Center available to Josh Still and East Side Health district on Wednesdays

and Thursdays, with certain limitations noted, through the middle of May, 2014. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez yes; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; Fiudo, pass; and Arriola, yes,.
(Motion Passed)

Report of Police Chief

Mr. Penny presented a quarterly Hotel Motel Tax Report.

The Chief discussed some details regarding the building permit process and fees. Building permit fees are currently \$1.00 for every \$1,000.00 of construction. No difference has been made between residential and commercial. The chief explained the process is becoming more complicated for the commercial builders. In complex projects the city engineers have become involved. He asked the board to review an outline he had presented to them and asked the board's permission to write a resolution to change the fees. The board agreed that changes should be made. Mr. Penny will have a resolution for the next meeting.

Chief Penny provided some photos to those present. The photos were taken around town of various properties with rubble, debris and even couches left out in the yard. Some of the junk has been exposed for weeks. The Chief reported that other communities do not provide trucks and residents are expected to rent dumpsters for big improvement projects.

There was discussion regarding possible solutions. President Bregen suggested Chief Penny check on legal boundaries with the lawyer and possibly write a new ordinance. There is an ordinance in place and it was agreed that a group effort, between patrolmen and the street department, to pin down problem areas be stepped up.

Mr. Penny asked for an executive session regarding personnel.

Report of Zoning Administrator - No Report

Report of Fire Chief

Fire Chief Allen reported to the board that the Toys for Tots program will be disbursing the toys this weekend (December 7th and 8th, 2013). There will be a dinner on Sunday after the parade that is being provided for by Morgan Stanley.

Chief Allen wanted to commend St. Clair County Special Emergency Services who assisted the village on a hazmat emergency in the Stockyards area. He reported with their help the department was able to avoid any injuries and evacuate the surrounding areas during the 5 hour event.

Report of Street Superintendent

Mr. Manso reported the department is prepping for winter weather.

President Bregen reported he has been getting compliments regarding the Christmas decorations. He asked Mr. Manso to extend his appreciation to his crew.

Committee Reports

Police/Public Safety-Chair-Arriola

Mr. Arriola reported the police department is running smoothly.

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

Fire Protection – Chair – Maliszewski

Mr. Maliszewski reported he has reported 5 street lights since last meeting and only 1 has been repaired.

Public Health & Housing – Chair – Romo – No Report

Community Relations & Communications – Chair – Hernandez - No Report

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

President's Report - No Report

Public Comment

A local resident was in attendance and asked if the PAL Gym will be opening up. Chief Penny reported that the gym was undergoing some modifications and he was not sure how long it would take.

The motion was made by Hernandez and seconded by Romo to enter into executive session regarding personnel. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez yes; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; Fiudo, yes; and Arriola, yes,.
(Motion Passed) 7:34pm

The motion was made by Fiudo and seconded by Maliszewski to re-enter the regular meeting from a closed session. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez yes; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; Fiudo, yes; and Arriola, yes,.
(Motion Passed) 7:56

The motion was made by Arriola and seconded by Romo to hire Yesenia Juarez as a probationary, part-time patrolwoman. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez yes; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; Fiudo, yes; and Arriola, yes,.
(Motion Passed)

Municipal Bills

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

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Richard D. Ramirez
December 4, 2013