

Meeting Agenda-Wednesday, September 18, 2013

Opening Prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag

Roll Call

Minutes of previous meeting

Report of Treasurer

Clerk's Reports

Police Chief Report

Report of Zoning Administrator

Report of Fire Chief

Report of Street Superintendent

Committee Reports

Mayor's Report

Public Comment

Bills

Adjournment

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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD
OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT CITY HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 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, and Lieutenant Noe Marquez for 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 September 4, 2013 was made by Romo and seconded by Arriola. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez, yes; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; Fiudo, pass; and Arriola, yes.
(Motion Passed)

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Aleman presented a copy of the Annual TIF Audit and reported he would be forwarding it to Lisa Bowman.

The treasurer also presented copies of the financials for the month of August, 2013.

Mr. Aleman reminded the board that fireman's salaries and the annual insurance renewal. He has been in contact with Julia Reynolds of The Illinois Municipal League and she would like to have a more specific inventory for the city garage. Mr. Aleman has been trying to find ways of lowering the premium.

Clerk's Report - No Report

Report of Police Chief

Lieutenant Noe Marquez attended the meeting in Scott Penny's absence to request the board approve the hiring of Oscar Cortez. Chief Penny had brought the possibility of hiring Mr. Cortez at a previous meeting. Mr. Marquez furthered the description of Mr. Cortez, a corrections officer from Tucson Arizona, who acted as a gang investigator, bi-lingual, has moved into the area and intends to stay because he has family here. Mr. Cortez has a Bachelors degree in Administration of Justice and would be starting the police academy in December or January. The lieutenant gave his personal recommendation and also spoke for Scott Penny.

The motion was made by Arriola and seconded by Suarez to hire Oscar Cortez as a probationary part time police officer. Roll Call Vote: Suarez, yes; Hernandez, yes; Romo, yes; Maliszewski, yes; Fiudo, pass; and Arriola, yes.
(Motion Passed)

Report of Zoning Administrator - No Report

Report of Fire Chief

The Fire Chief reported he returned from Florida the past Monday. They visited the Eone Plant and the fire truck is 99.8% complete. There were some minor changes in that may put things back a day or two. The truck will be here, out of service, by the Fire Chief's meeting the department is hosting on Thursday, September 26, 2013. It will follow up with Banner Equipment before going into service. Chief Allen said the truck has far exceeded expectation.

The Fire Chief's Expedition is at Scott Rose's house. Scott is installing the lights and other accessories. The chief hopes it is available for the Chief's meeting, also. Chief Allen then encouraged those present to attend the Chief's Meeting Show Case, on Thursday.

Chief Allen reported that fire calls are down from last year approximately 25%. The Treasurer explained that he budgets some of the TIF funding for the fire department payroll.

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

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

President's Report

President Bregen reported he is still waiting for the landfill comptroller. He also reported meeting with Mayor Parks last week with no conclusions drawn regarding the First Street Project.

Mr. Bregen reflected on a beautiful card of thanks Mrs. Hargis sent that had been shared with the board. She is appreciated and is already missed.

Public Comment

Municipal Bills

A motion that the bills be accepted as presented and authorized for payment was made by Hernandez and seconded by Fiudo. 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
September 18, 2013