

**VILLAGE OF NORTH RIVERSIDE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING, SEPTEMBER 3, 2013
COUNCIL ROOM, 7:30PM**

Mayor Hermanek called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with a Pledge of Allegiance and a Roll Call. In attendance were Trustee Bianco, Trustee Czajka, Trustee Decosola, Trustee Demopoulos, Trustee Mengoni and Trustee Wilt.

Others in attendance were Administrator Belmonte, Attorney Hayes, Police Chief Niemann, Fire Chief Basek, Director Kutt, and Recreation Director Frampton.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Demopoulos moved, seconded by Mengoni to approve the agenda for this meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Mengoni, Wilt

NAYS: None. Motion carried

BIDS- None

CASH RECEIPT REPORT

Trustee Wilt moved, seconded by Trustee Demopoulos to accept the Cash Receipt Report for the month of July, 2013 in the amount of \$1,259,762.55. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Mengoni, Wilt

NAYS: None. Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Demopoulos moved, seconded by Trustee Wilt to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2013 Village Board Meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Mengoni, Wilt

NAYS: None. Motion carried

REPORT OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Bianco (Streets Alleys, Sidewalks & Refuse)

REPORT OF TRUSTEES (continued)

Trustee Bianco read that he was happy to report that IDOT has approved the Village's MFT Project scheduled for October construction. Engineer Fitzgerald has prepared the bid packages and the bid opening date will be Thursday, September 12, 2013 at 2 PM.

He also mentioned that he attended a fundraiser at Big Corner Tavern for Wounded Veterans. He wanted to thank the businesses that are hosting these fundraisers and encouraged residents to attend them and support our local businesses.

Trustee Czajka (Buildings, Public Grounds, Lights, Public Services & Transportation)- No report

Trustee Decosola (Judiciary, Ordinances, Recreation)

Trustee Decosola called for a Recreation Committee Meeting on October 14, 2013 at 6:00 PM. He also read the following report from the Recreation Department:

- Youth soccer Season begins this Saturday at Veterans Park. It runs through October. A special thank you to all our volunteer coaches.
- Fall 16" softball league begins this Friday the 6th. Come on out and cheer on your favorite teams.
- Preschool Began August 26th. We will still have a few openings.
- The National Shrine of St. Theresa Trip is going out on October 17th. Majestic Star Casino is scheduled for October 29th. Tickets are now on sale.
- Fall Flea Market is this Sunday September 8th from 9-2 pm. Over 60 vendors will be out selling their treasures.
- Chili Cook Off is scheduled for September 20th. Check your newsletter for all the details.

Trustee Demopoulos (Water, Sewers, Drainage & Zoning)

Trustee Demopoulos filed the Brookfield-North Riverside Water Commission Meeting Minutes for August 14th, 2013 with Clerk Ranieri.

Trustee Mengoni (Police, Fire & License)

Trustee Mengoni mentioned that on September 11th, the North Riverside Fire Department is holding a Celebration of Hero's starting at 9:45am.

Trustee Wilt (Finance, Health & Appropriations)- No report

MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Hermanek read the following report from Code Enforcement Representative Karyn Byrne:

- Costco- The Roof for the warehouse is scheduled to start the week of September 3rd. Doherty, the excavator performing the site work for Monroe Partners is winding down their work, yet still need to run the water and storm sewer lines along the north side of the parcel. Novak is hoping to perform a pressure test by the second week in September to get water inside the building. Home Towne Electric is preparing to move the light standards on the parkway along 26th Street, for commencement of the roadway construction to add the left turn lane. Earlier this week, Tim Kutt performed an inspection of the light standards to confirm any dents or other damage already on the standards prior to relocation. The Village inspectors performing the weekly/daily inspections get a sense that the project is running on schedule.
- Chick-Fil-A- The Construction permit has been reviewed and is waiting for Chick-Fil-A's contractors to obtain contractor registration licenses. Last week, an underground storage tank was located in the northwest corner of the property by contractors performing the preliminary site work.
- Construction of the new single- family home- The structure at 8207 30th Street was demolished last week for construction of a new single-family home. The home will be 3,303 square feet in size. The Community Development Department is waiting for submittal and approval of a topographical survey before issuance of the building permit.
- Monroe Partners- The village Administrator has received a strong indication that a Red Robin restaurant may be signing a lease for one of the four outlots owned by Monroe Partners.
- North Riverside Park Mall- The mall management has inquired as to the food sanitation requirements for converting a jewelry kiosk to a pretzel vendor. The Community Development Department has also received an inquiry from a woman about the feasibility to operate a kiosk that sells roasted nuts. Both mall management and the woman were provided with the requirements needed to satisfy the food sanitation code.

UNO- A men's clothing store has obtained an application for a business license and occupancy inspection for a 5,800 square foot space at the mall. It is their intention to open a retail store from October to February.

- Cardinal Liquors- Has made application for their sign permit and are hoping to open the business in mid-September.
- Discount Grocery Outlet- Located at 8753 W. Cermak Road has obtained permits to remodel the building for use as a discount grocery store. The owner, Fred Thompson, previously operated Cozzi Closeouts at 7918 W. 26th Street. Earlier this month, the Community Development Department received an inquiry from Brendan Reedy with

MAYORAL REPORT (continued)

- Cushman & Wakefield Real Estate as to the feasibility of a Chuck E. Cheese taking over the vacant Bally's space on Harlem Avenue. I informed Mr. Reedy that the Village will definitely work with his client to move the process forward to bring the popular family destination into the village.
- Over the past month, the Community Development Department has issued three (3) fence permits for six foot (6') solid fences.
- This Department also received an inquiry from a woman looking to sell Christmas trees in the Village. She was provided with contact information for Exoho, owners of the shopping center at 1700-1830 Harlem Avenue, as the only feasible location along a heavily traveled roadway to operate outdoor sales.

Mayor Hermanek also encouraged residents to check out the ponds behind the Village Commons Building. Public Works Director Kutt and the public works employees have been working on the pond, adding new rocks and refilled the pond. The tennis courts were taken down and they have been replaced with grass and beautiful bushes.

Mayor Hermanek announced that today began the ComEd Smart Meter Program and invited ComEd representative Mr. Mike McMahan up to give a brief presentation. The ComEd representative spoke about the new program and stated that over 1,300 meter installed this past week. Around November 17th another 1,300 will be installed. Residents do not have to be home as long as ComEd has access to the meter. It will only take about ten to fifteen minutes to install.

CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you letter was read from Carol Spale. She wanted to thank the Village Board for the lovely gift of Commons Park. Residents are very fortunate to have such a beautiful place in the Village.

A thank you note was received from youth scholarship recipient Joseph Zyck, thanking the Village for his scholarship money from the Mayor's Golf Outing.

A request from the Lions Club was read, requesting October 10th from noon till 6pm and October 11th all day for their Candy Day Fundraiser. It will take place at the intersections of 1st Avenue and Cermak Road and Harlem and Cermak Road.

There were two (2) block party requests. First one from the 2200 and 2300 block of 5th Avenue for September 8th and the second request was from the 2500 block of 1st Avenue and 2nd Avenue for September 7th.

Trustee Demopoulos moved, seconded by Trustee Bianco to grant permission to the above three (3) requests. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Wilt moved, seconded by Trustee Demopoulos to approve the list of bills submitted for this meeting totaling \$239,418.15 and to have these bills paid out of proper funds when such funds become available. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Mengoni, Wilt
NAYS: None. Motion carried

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Trustee Bianco moved, seconded by Trustee Wilt to approve the Resolution for Improvement by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (**13-R-06**) and to waive the reading. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Mengoni, Wilt
NAYS: None. Motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS- None

AUDIENCE

A resident complimented the Village Board on their professionalism.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Czajka moved, seconded by Trustee Bianco for adjournment at 7:53 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kathy Ranieri
VILLAGE CLERK

