

**VILLAGE OF NORTH RIVERSIDE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING APRIL 4, 2016
COUNCIL ROOM 7:00 PM**

Mayor Hermanek called the meeting to order 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, Finance Director Scarpiniti, Attorney Hayes, Police Chief Niemann, Recreation Director Michalik and Fire Chief Basek.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Demopoulos moved seconded by Trustee 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-None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Demopoulos moved, seconded by Trustee Mengoni to approve the March 21, 2016 Village Board Meeting Minutes 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)- No report

Trustee Czajka-(Buildings, Public grounds, lights, Public Services & Transportation)- No report

REPORT OF TRUSTEES(continued)

Trustee Decosola- (Judiciary, Ordinances, Recreation)

Trustee Decosola read the following report from the Parks and Recreation Department:

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to remind everyone that the North Riverside Players will open with the Pirates of Penzance on Friday, April 22nd. Please get your tickets early by calling the hotline or visiting the North Riverside Players website. Show information is located immediately outside of the Council Room doors.

Trustee Demopoulos(Water, Sewers, Drainage & Zoning)

Trustee Demopoulos called for a Committee Meeting on April 18, 2016 at 6:00 pm. Ed Durec, the Commissioner of the Brookfield North Riverside Water Commission will be at this meeting.

Trustee Mengoni- (Police, Fire & License)

Trustee Mengoni submitted the Fire and EMS calls for the month of February 2016 as follows:

	March	YTD
Fire	73	244
EMS	117	315
Inspections	109	230
Compliances	60	121

CPR classes were conducted for the North Riverside Library Personnel on March 18th and the North Riverside Fire Department participated in the HONR Community Fair at Komarek School on March 19th.

Blood pressure screenings were provided for the seniors at the North Riverside Village Commons the first Wednesday of the month from 9-11am. Screenings were also provided Monday-Friday 1-5pm at the fire station.

Trustee Wilt (Finance, Health & Appropriations)

Trustee Wilt reminded residents to purchase their vehicle stickers and have them displayed by April 30, 2016. Stickers are available at the business office.

MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Hermanek gave the following Community Development Department updates:

- Presales- The Community Development Department performed 8 single-family presale inspections totaling \$3,240.00 in revenue.
- Permit Totals- The Community Development Department issued 53 residential and commercial permits totaling \$42,493.82 in revenue.
- Raising Cane- The restaurant food chain submitted construction drawings for Lot # 3 of the Costco Development.
- 7921 W. Cermak Road- The foundation permit has been issued for the addition to the existing structure on the southeast corner of Cermak Road and DesPlaines Avenue.
- Lacey's Place- 8415 W. Cermak Road has been issued a permit for a tenant buildout for a video facility.
- Let's Play Cermak LLC- 9025 W. Cermak Road has been issued a remodeling permit for the purpose of opening up their second daycare facility in the Village.

Mayor Hermanek called upon the representatives from the Library Board and presented them with a plaque in honor of National Library Week.

CORRESPONDENCE

The family of Richard Steele, father of Kim O'Kane, sent a thank you card to the Village Board.

Matthew Brophy, a resident on the 2300 block of 4th Avenue, sent a letter to Mayor Hermanek thanking him for his continued efforts on making the bike path from 26th and First Avenue reach the existing path on 31st Street. As a parent of a Riverside Brookfield High School student, he expressed how difficult it can be to be able to get their child to school. With the new bike path, they feel are now able to have their child either walk or bike to school safely.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Wilt moved, seconded by Trustee Demopoulos to approve the list of bills submitted for this meeting totaling \$199,225.87 and to have them 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- None

UNFNISHED BUSINESS-None

NEW BUSINESS- None

AUDIENCE

Mayor Hermanek read a letter from our Village Attorney regarding the Firefighter case and advised the Village Board to refrain from discussing this matter publicly.

Chris Kribales asked the Mayor what the budget was as far as legal fees to our Village Attorney and how much did the Village intend on saving. Mayor Hermanek explained to him that he does not have a breakdown of fees available due to fact that our attorney handles several items including grievances filed from the North Riverside Fire Department.

Frank Spale commented on the firefighter pensions and the excessive amounts that our Village is required to contribute. He also claimed this would be an ongoing problem for not only our residents but the State of Illinois.

Firefighter Dave Rajk responded to Mr. Spale's remarks stating he felt his information was incorrect and the firefighters put their lives in jeopardy every day and did not agree with his statement as did Trustee Demopoulos.

Marybelle Mandel asked if there was something the Village can do as far as street repairs. Mayor Hermanek replied that the road repair will be completed at the end of the year.

Barbara Wilson thanked the Public Works and Handyman for the service provided to her.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Mengoni moved and Trustee Bianco seconded for adjournment at 7:30 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

**KATHY RANIERI
VILLAGE CLERK**