

**ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**January 15, 2018**

Chairman Winters called the regular meeting of the Administration Committee to order at 5:30 pm.  
Members present: Mayor Adams, Arianne Honkamp, John Peterson and Dave Winters  
Staff present: Chief Dickson, Tricia Diduch, Scott Fridly and Jodi May

Motion by Mr. Peterson, second by Mrs. Honkamp, to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of January 3, 2018. All ayes. Motion approved 3-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**THE MAYOR – DALE ADAMS**

None.

**PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL – DAVE WINTERS, CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Winters discussed the eminent domain process and hiring an appraiser in regards to the property on Bunn Drive for the bike path. Mayor Adams said that the Village needs to move forward with this process and advised that one appraiser quoted \$1,500 and that he is looking into other appraisers at this time. Mr. Fridly stated that the Village should put in a sidewalk in that area and not a bike path. Mr. Peterson stated that he is not in favor of spending thousands of dollars even though the eminent domain process is the right way to do it. Mr. Winters advised that someone should talk to Atty. Szeto and see what this is going to cost the Village.

Mr. Winters stated that Resolution 2018-101: A Resolution of the Village of Rockton, Illinois Authorizing the Village to Enter into an Agreement with the Police Law Institute, Inc. is up for approval at the Village Board meeting on January 16, 2018. Chief Dickson stated that he had Atty. Szeto review the agreement and that he made a few changes. Chief Dickson explained that this is part of the Police Improvement Act and this covers the mandatory training online one hour at a time. The Committee was okay with this.

Ms. Diduch explained the Tax Defense Resolution to the Committee and shared the sample resolution that could be drafted for the Village. Ms. Diduch said that this resolution is for all of the taxing bodies if someone protests their property taxes and advised that this doesn't obligate the Village to participate in any way. Mr. Winters stated that he felt this was the best way to do it, but that he would like to know how much this has cost the high school in order to make an informed decision. Ms. Diduch advised that she will check with the high school in reference to the cost to defend one and let the Committee know.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & BUDGET – JOHN PETERSON**

Mr. Peterson stated that he started booking bands for the Rockton River Market. Ms. Diduch commented that she has already received five vendor applications for the market as well.

**ADMINISTRATION – ARIANNE HONKAMP**

None.

**THE CHIEF – STEVE DICKSON**

Chief Dickson stated that there was a meeting last week in reference to the 9-1-1 Center and that the ETSB has decided to have another study done to look at other options. Chief Dickson said that the discussions continue and the Village may be on the hook for some of the cost for the study.

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATOR – TRICIA DIDUCH**

Ms. Diduch advised that she emailed the hotel consultant and that she doesn't know why the Village doesn't have the results of the hotel study yet.

Ms. Diduch added that the application for Yeti Fest is up for approval at the Village Board meeting on January 16, 2018.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS ALLOWED BY LAW**

Mayor Adams stated that Atty. Sosnowski will be at the Village Board meeting on January 16, 2018 to update the Village Board about the 9-1-1 Center.

Mayor Adams advised that Winnebago County will be making a decision on January 17, 2018 regarding the \$50,000 for the Village to help with some of the cost in regards to the downtown streetscape.

Mayor Adams added that he had his concerns about rezoning 401 W. Main Street from commercial to residential because the owner wants to live there. Mayor Adams advised that the address is also in the TIF district.

Mr. Winters commented that the Public Works Department did a nice job plowing.

Mrs. May stated that many residents are upset about the parking situation on W. Mechanic Street and discussed parking options with the Committee. Chief Dickson stated that it didn't matter to him how the Village Board decides to handle the issue, but that he feels at least one side of the street should be no parking.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Mr. Peterson, second by Mrs. Honkamp to adjourn at 6:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stewart  
Village Clerk