

VILLAGE OF ROCKTON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
October 21, 2014

Mayor Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Present were: Mayor Adams, Mr. Fridly, Mr. Hoey, Mr. Magnus, Mrs. Nelson, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Winters, and Atty. Szeto

Staff present: Ms. Diduch and Chief Dickson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mr. Peterson, to waive the reading of the October 7, 2014 Village Board Meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mr. Fridly, to approve the October 7, 2014 Village Board Meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Fridly would like to remove the Generator for Well 7 & 9 and add a consensus for water tower inspections. Mr. Peterson would like to add a consensus for the three parcels of land the Village would like to purchase. Mr. Magnus would like to add a consensus for the light pole at Aldi. Motion by Mr. Hoey to approve the amendments to the agenda, second by Mr. Peterson. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

MAYOR ADAMS

Correspondence

Mayor Adams read a thank you note from Marianne Mueller for the donation to Rockton's Halloween Bash. Over 200 children attended the event.

Agenda items

Motion by Mr. Winters to approve all meetings be held on Monday, November 3, 2014, second by Mr. Fridly. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Hoey to approve a liquor/gaming license for Ye Olde Pub (contingent upon the background of the applicant that it comes back with no felonies), second by Mr. Fridly. Mr. Winters was concerned about the character of the applicant. Mr. Winters stated that the definition of "good character" hasn't been properly defined. Mr. Winters would like to see some structure defined for the Village so that the Police Chief has something to go off of and that the Village Attorney can stand behind. Atty. Szeto outlined the footwork to demonstrate whether someone is of good character. Mr. Magnus questioned why the Village Board would go against the recommendation of Chief Dickson after it was recommended that the liquor/gaming license should be denied. Mr. Hoey added that if there are violations at that property that the liquor license can be suspended and/or revoked. Mr. Hoey was also concerned that there could be possible litigation if the license was denied costing taxpayers more money because the ordinance is so vague. Roll call. Ayes: Mr. Fridly, Mr. Hoey, Mrs. Nelson, Mr. Winters. Nays: Mr. Magnus, Mr. Peterson. Motion approved 4-2.

Motion by Mr. Winters to approve the liquor license for the Aldi store, second by Mr. Hoey. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Winters to approve Resolution 2014-115: NorthPointe Ambulatory Surgical Center, second by Mr. Fridly. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Winters to approve Resolution 2014-116: NorthPointe Free Standing Emergency Center, second by Mr. Hoey. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

None.

ZONING

Motion by Mr. Hoey to approve ordinance 2014-25: 111 N. Blackhawk Blvd., Mobil-Sign Variance for Internally-Illuminated Wall Signs, second by Mr. Peterson. Mrs. Nelson stated that according to Ms. Diduch, the sign is not in keeping of the Village's sign ordinance. Mr. Magnus stated that there are other signs not in compliance with the current Village ordinance. It was confirmed that the sign will be turned off at the closing of the business. Mr. Fridly agreed that this is not in code with the current Village ordinance as well. Roll call. Ayes: Mr. Hoey, Mr. Magnus, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Winters. Nays: Mr. Fridly, Mrs. Nelson. Motion approved 4-2.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL – MR. WINTERS

Motion by Mr. Winters to approve the hiring of Ryan Turner part-time police officer for the Rockton Police Department, second by Mr. Hoey. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – MR. HOEY

None.

WATER, SEWER, AND GARBAGE – MR. FRIDLY

Motion by Mr. Fridly to approve payment for the new Public Works vehicles to be a three year payment made annually in the amount of \$36,389. The first payment will be \$37,875.97 which includes set up fees. Mayor Adams stated that this is a three year municipal lease for four vehicles that will be covered by warranty and that the Village will own the vehicles at the end of the four years. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Mr. Fridley requested a consensus for Dixon Engineering to complete the water tower inspections on the two towers located at Prairie Street and Wagon Wheel for a total of \$6,391. The inspection is needed for the low interest water loan application. The inspections are still needed to know what issues there may be with the water towers. Mr. Fridly stated that there is no documentation of when the towers were last inspected. Mayor Adams added that there hasn't been an inspection in 10-15 years. Motion approved 6-0.

ADMINISTRATION AND BUDGET – MR. PETERSON

Mr. Peterson requested a consensus for the three parcels of land at Mechanic and Prairie Streets that are for sale. Mr. Winters stated that nothing could be done with the property for 2-3 years. Mr. Fridly inquired about demolition costs for the buildings. Mr. Peterson added that the fire department may be interested in burning the homes for training purposes. Mrs. Nelson was concerned that the homes are in the National Trust Inventory. Mrs. Nelson doesn't feel that tearing buildings down and adding more parking is going to solve issues. Mr. Peterson stated that the buildings are in poor condition and that no parking has been a huge complaint. Mayor Adams stated that this would be added to the agenda for further discussion.

BUILDINGS AND PARKS – MRS. NELSON

None.

STREETS AND WALKS – MR. MAGNUS

Motion by Mr. Magnus to hire Norwest to complete water main/sewer patches not to exceed \$5000, second by Mr. Fridly. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Magnus to hire Labree Concrete to complete curb repairs in front of the post office in the amount of \$5,376, second by Mr. Fridly. Roll call. Ayes: Mr. Fridly, Mr. Hoey, Mr. Magnus, Mrs. Nelson, Mr. Peterson. Nays: Mr. Winters. Motion approved 5-1.

Mr. Magnus requested a consensus for the street light at Aldi. Mr. Magnus stated that Aldi will purchase the street light and the Village will pay the annual utility bill. Motion approved 6-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ACTION ON ITEMS ARISING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mr. Fridly, to pay bills in the amount of \$99,678.53. Roll call. All ayes.
Motion approved 6-0.

ADJOURN

Hearing no further business, motion by Mr. Peterson, second by Mr. Winters, to adjourn at 7:35 pm. All ayes.
Motion approved 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stewart
Village Clerk